



Pre Outloading Insect Checklist- Following these steps will help you avoid costly returned loads.

#### BEFORE THE LORRIES ARRIVE

1.  Have a walk through the grain, are there any hard patches? If so just dip your hand into the hard grain. When you remove it have a look at the back of your hand- any insects in there will stick to the hairs there
2.  Have you used your loader in a another store recently?- just visually check the shovel front and back to make sure there are no bugs on it
3.  Check traps in grain for live bugs if you have them. We use probe pitfall traps, they are brilliant- [www.dealeay.co.uk/shop](http://www.dealeay.co.uk/shop)
4.  Walk around the inside walls of the store, look for cobwebs around girders and corners, are there any live bugs in these?
5.  Do you have any spear-aerators? If you have, unscrew them, turn them upside down and tap the contents onto the floor. Any live insects in there?
6.  Have you filled in the "post-harvest treatment" section of your passport? If you want, just print the fumigation clearance certificate and attach it to the passport. Then write "see attached" in the post-harvest box. Job done.

#### WHEN THE LORRY GETS THERE

1.  Check in the empty buck. Lorries can carry infestations around the countryside if they aren't cleaned out effectively after handling a rejected load. Any insects will appear in the corners of the buck climbing upwards
2.  Ask the driver what his last three loads were. Hauliers are duty-bound to declare this.
3.  As the grain is loaded out, is it falling well- any grain that is 'hanging up' should be investigated by doing the hand dip from part one
4.  Are you exposing any pedestals? If there is grain crusted around the joins of these, have a closer look and see if you can find live insects.
5.  If there is a rich, sour smell as you are moving the grain then there may be pockets of mite. Call Dealeay to find out how you can deal with these yourself.

#### WHEN THE LORRY HAS GONE

1.  Pat yourself on the back for being so diligent

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