

Fact Sheet: Computer Programs and CQM Records

Dairy Farmers of Canada is pleased that a number of computer software companies have included all or part of the Canadian Quality Milk (CQM) record keeping requirements in their dairy herd management software programs, enabling producers to keep CQM records electronically.

The CQM program offers to review any software program that requests a review. The CQM program simply reviews the program to determine if the program enables a producer to enter all of the record keeping information that the CQM program requires.

The CQM program recognizes two categories of compliance: complete and partial. A software program has to contain at least one complete record to be included on the partial list. If a company has not requested a review, it will not appear on either list; therefore, the lists may not be complete. The CQM program relies on the companies listed below to inform it of any changes they make to their software programs in order to keep this list current.

Complete: Software Programs that contain ALL of the CQM record keeping requirements:

1. VAMPP: www.vampp.com
2. Dairy Comp Scout / 305 program with the Canadian Quality Milk module, released with the January 2007 annual update: www.canwestdhi.com/dairycomp.htm
3. SigaDairy Farm Software: www.siga.net
4. DairyPlan C21 version 5.240 with the new 5.240 Canadian language file: www.westfalia.com
5. Lac-T: www.lac-t.com (Note: Lac-T is replacing SigaDairy Farm Software and DS@HR).
6. CQM Logger, Version 62: www.cqmlogger.ca
7. VetCheck, Version 5.2 or greater: www.vcidairy.com
8. SmartDairy® HerdMetrix™, Version 4.0 or greater: www.mysmartdairy.com
9. BouMatic Robotics' HerdMetrix, Version number: 4.1 or greater: www.uniform-agri.com
10. UNIFORM, Version number: 4.1 or greater: www.uniform-agri.com

Partial: Software Programs that contain SOME of the CQM record keeping requirements (records identified):

1. DS@HR Inc meets requirements for Records 9, 10 and 11: www.dsahr.ca
2. T4C: Time for Cows, Version 3.2.9.28 or greater, meets requirements for Records 1 to 7, 9, 10 and 11: www.lely.com

Please note: producers can choose whichever software program they wish to use, whether it is included on the lists above or not. Also, producers do not have to keep records electronically; they can keep records on paper.

The CQM program is pleased to see the dairy industry respond to producer needs and show that CQM is an important element of the packages that they are offering to producers.

Who can I contact for more information?

1. Your provincial producer association
2. Your computer software provider
3. Visit: www.dairyfarmers.org/cqm