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Sum-It Bespoke Software Case Study

Ensors Abattoir Slaughter Control System

Ensors Abattoir, based at Cinderford in Gloucestershire, needed a fool-proof system to capture the identification details of cattle arriving into their Lairage area, prior to being processed through the abattoir.

The initial data input workstation where the cattle were unloaded was required to be operated by anyone who didn't necessarily have keyboard skills so we developed a data-entry system based purely on barcode scanning. Using a hand-held barcode reader the operator would scan from laminated charts of barcodes to enter supplier and other details then scan each cattle passport to capture the animal information.

The critical instant check on animal age then clearly informs the operator which killing line it is safe to move the animal into and whether its age requires testing to meet current Food Safety Authority guidelines.

With the software being fully multi-user the administrators in Ensor's main office are then able to enter Killing details against the animals on the system that arrived previously into the Lairage.

The system then electronically notifies the relevant authorities such as the British Cattle Movement Service and the testing laboratories with the day's animal movement and sample testing activities.

"Sum-It's Slaughter Control software played an important role in our Abattoir gaining approval to handle OTM Cattle. Furthermore, its bar code scanning systems eliminate human error and we now have a complete paper trail." - Robert Ensor of Ensors Gloucestershire Ltd.

As legislation has changed then the software has been adapted to keep up to date, ensuring that Ensors have a system that they can rely on every working day.

Check out Ensor's website at www.ensors-ltd.co.uk for further information on their services.