

Electronic Medicines Book (eMB-Pigs) – Guidelines on Use

What is eMB-Pigs?

The electronic medicines book for pigs (eMB-Pigs) is a website for all UK pig producers, enabling the industry to record accurate total on-farm antibiotic usage data.

- It provides an electronic version of the existing paper medicine book
- Producers can use the eMB-Pigs website to:
 1. Simply enter their total antibiotic usage
 2. Optionally replace their current medicine recording book or system
 3. Collate the antibiotic usage data required by the Quality Meat Scotland and Red Tractor assurance schemes
- A template spreadsheet provides another option for offline data recording before uploading to the eMB-Pigs

Why has eMB-Pigs been set up?

The increased concern over antibiotic resistance in both humans and livestock means the pig industry needs to put itself in a more informed position on its overall usage.

Benefits

- The eMB-Pigs website is a convenient way to record on-farm usage so producers can review and optimise their antibiotic use and help reduce production costs
- It will enable producers to compare their usage to anonymised data from other similar units
- It will also be able to provide an anonymised, aggregated national record of total antibiotic usage for the Veterinary Medicines Directorate, when needed

Getting Started

The following steps show you how to submit total antibiotic data.

Step 1

Registration

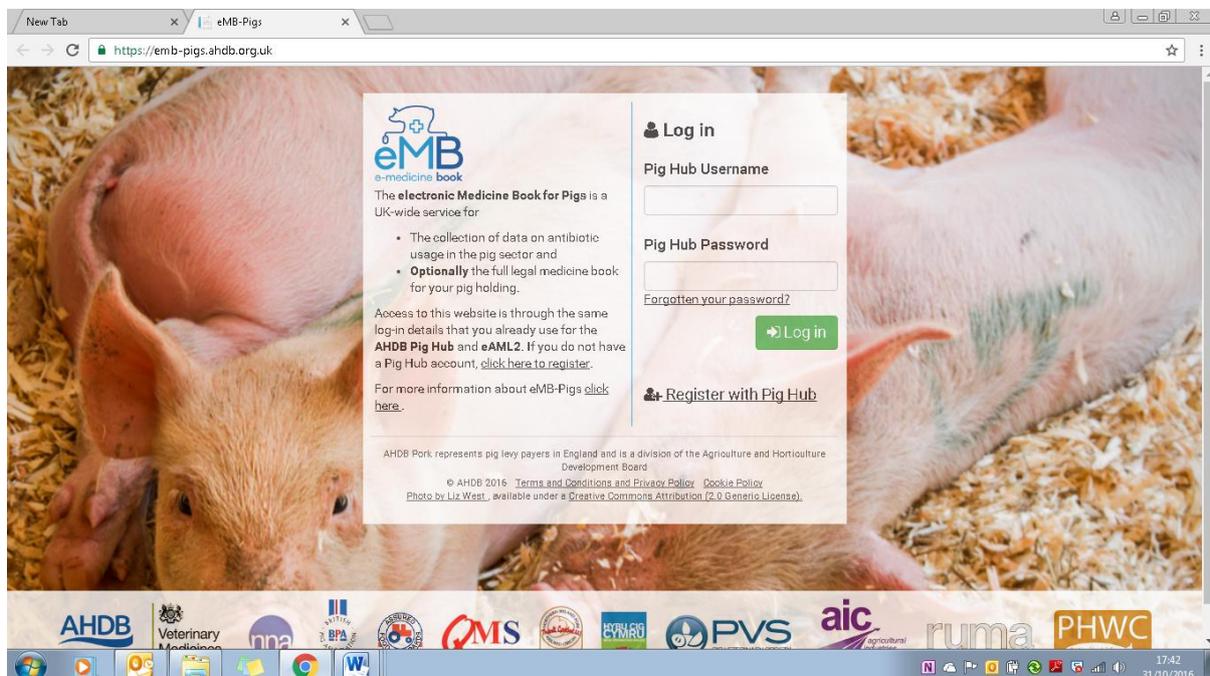
Use the following link to obtain a username and password www.pighub.org.uk

1. Click on [PRODUCERS](#) which is highlighted in blue or click the Pig icon
You will need your holding number (CPH), postcode and either your PRIMO Herd Mark or slap mark to register where the pigs are kept
2. Complete Producer registration details on the right hand side of the screen
3. A username and password will be sent to the email address provided

Note: For producers with more than one holding, once you have registered the first holding, you need to click on Your Holdings on Pig Hub and then Register a new holding. Each additional holding needs to be added this way

Step 2

In order to login in directly to eMB-Pigs screen which is shown below use the following link <https://emb-pigs.ahdb.org.uk>



Step 3

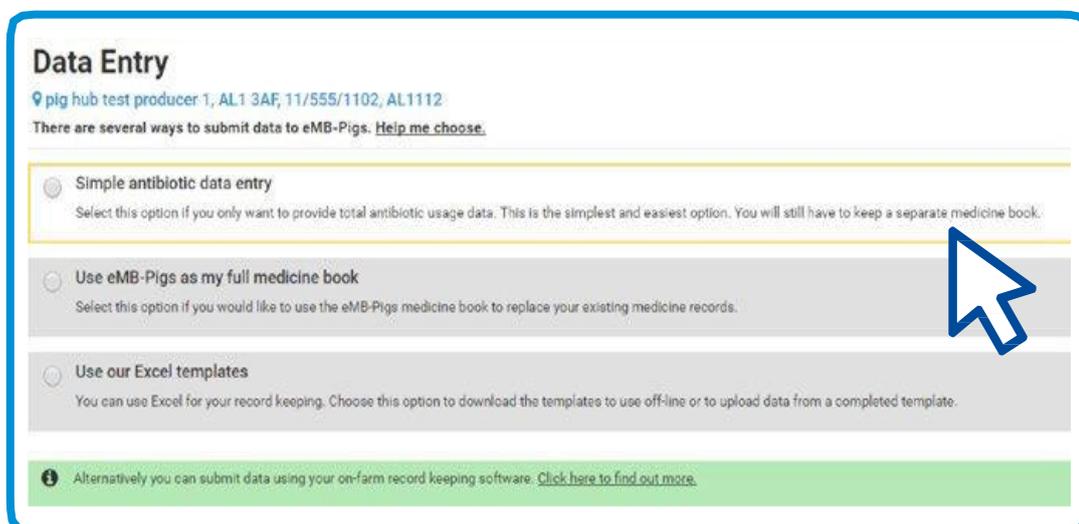
Once on the eMB-Pigs website

1. Confirm that you have read and accepted the terms and conditions
2. Click on continue in the Welcome page
3. Select your holding number on the **Choose Pig Holding** page
4. Click in the blue box on the **Dashboard** to start entering data



Step 4

Choose which of the three options for data entry that you want to use. For example, choose **Simple antibiotic data entry** if you only want to provide total antibiotic usage data



Step 5

1. First, select the time period which should be 3 monthly periods
2. Click on the blue **Add** button to start entering data
3. Fill in all the fields with your antibiotic usage data

NB Information on all antibiotic treatments should be submitted to the eMB-Pigs website, including injectable, in-water, in-feed and skin, eye and ear treatments.

Add total amount of antibiotic used

Fields required for submission to eMB-Pigs are highlighted yellow. You should also check your legal and Red Tractor/other assurance scheme requirements.

Antibiotic product Feed in stock

Product: Amoxinsol 50% w/w Powder for Oral Solution

My product is not listed

Age group: Finishers (13 weeks to finish)

Total quantity used: 800 Grams

Primary reason for treatment: Glassers (suspect)

Reason not listed

Data entered in this box will be aggregated, anonymised and sent to the Veterinary Medicines Directorate for national reporting purposes.

Cancel Save

Step 6

Once you have entered all your data for the 3 monthly time period select **Submit antibiotic usage return** from the menu on the right

Holding category

Please select the category which most closely matches your holding type from the drop-down list.

Finisher

i For reporting purposes, farms in the **Finisher** category will be compared to those in the Breeder to Finisher, Nursery to Finisher and Finisher categories.

Population data

Please complete the three boxes below, which are used to account for the scale of your pig holding when comparing antibiotic usage. You should enter pig numbers for the period **1st Jan 2016 to 31st Mar 2016**.

Number of sows and boars present: 0

Number of slaughter pigs that have been moved off your holding: 10000

Number of weaner pigs that have been moved off your holding: 0

i Please ensure that the data you have entered are accurate before clicking **Submit return**. Once you have submitted this return, you will only be able to edit it (by converting it back to **Draft** status) for **24 hours**. After this time, you will need to [contact AHDB Pork](#) to amend your return.

Cancel Submit return

You will be prompted to enter your holding category and pig population figures before submitting the return

Alternatively, you could choose to use eMB-Pigs as your complete medicine recording system, following the prompts on screen. With this option, total antibiotic data automatically submitted from your records.

Electronic Medicines Book (eMB) – Login

<https://emb-pigs.ahdb.org.uk/>

Problems logging on, the first port of call should be the pig hub email box, as multiple people have access to this.

E: pig.hub@ahdb.org.uk

If eMB isn't working, contact Ben Bellamy

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For additional help, please contact Jenny Newman / Database Coordinator.

AHDB Pork

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Defra Herdmark = Herd slapmark used on movement documents

If herdmark needed, contact Animal & Plant Health Agency Scotland

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