

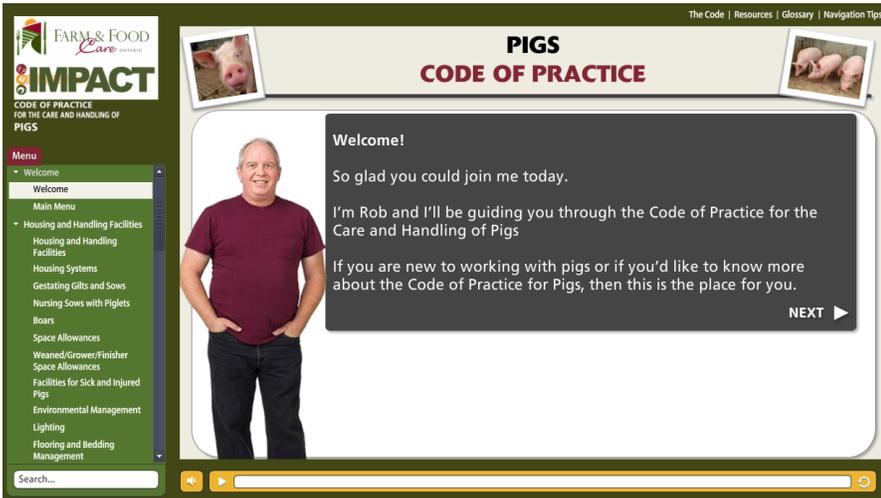


# SPOTLIGHT ON CODE OF PRACTICE MODULES

Six Code of Practice modules are scheduled to be developed through the IMPACT program as tools to communicate the requirements and recommendations set out in the Codes. Here is a quick peek into the Code modules that are coming to a computer near you soon!

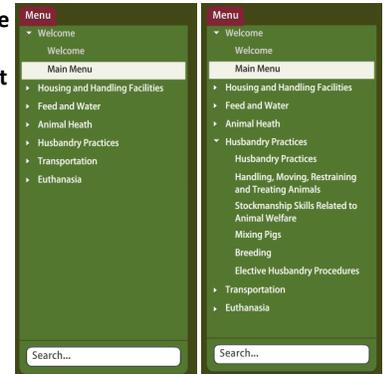
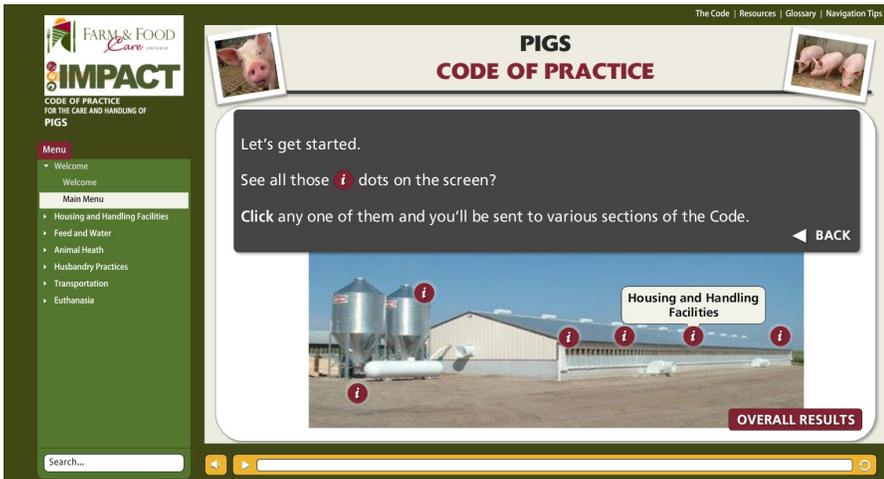


Welcome to the Swine Code of Practice. Meet Rob, he will be your navigator around the Code module. Rob begins by explaining how the module will work and what you should expect to learn.



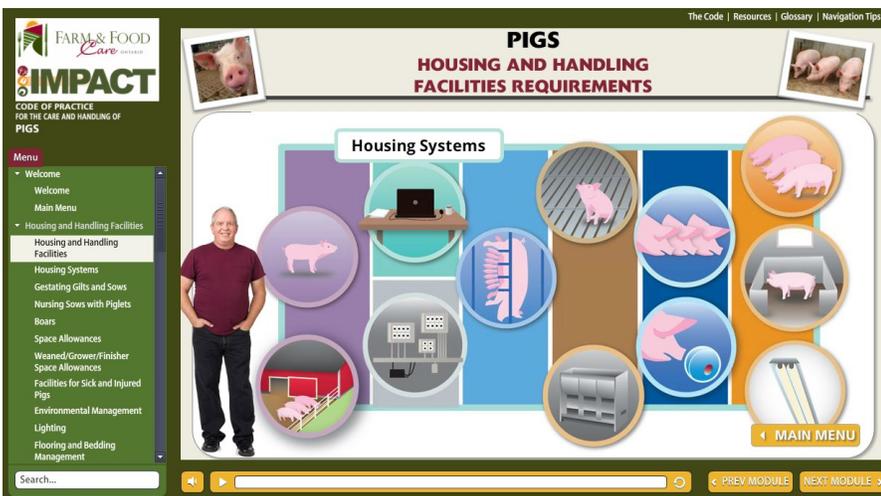
After Rob outlines out the objectives, you are ready to navigate the module freely. Here you see a layout of a pig barn. By hovering over the burgundy 'i' you can choose where you want to go and what subject you want to learn about. Here 'Housing and Handling Facilities' is highlighted. We are going to navigate through this section of the Code.

You can also navigate by the menu bar located along the left hand side of the screen, as pictured here.



By clicking on the title, a drop down menu will appear. You can navigate to any of these specific sections from here.

This is the housing and handling facilities landing page. Here you can hover over any of the circular photos and a title for that section will pop up. Here you can see that 'Housing Systems' is highlighted. If you click on that circle it will take you into the section of the Code and will cover requirements and some of the recommendations in that particular section. We are going to navigate to 'Housing Systems'.



**PIGS**  
**HOUSING AND HANDLING FACILITIES REQUIREMENTS**

### Housing Systems

Housing systems and their components must be designed, constructed and regularly inspected and maintained in a manner that:

- reduces the potential for injury
- provides suitable temperatures
- provides fresh air
- maintains clean conditions
- allows for inspection of all pigs

Pigs must not be tethered as part of their normal housing.

**NEXT**

Here you will find the requirements from the Code on text on screen. Make sure to have the sound turned on on your computer. There is narration in each section, which explains a bit about the text on the screen. Here beside the requirements is a short video clip that you can watch. Once you are finished with this section, click the 'Next' in the bottom right hand of the screen to navigate to the next page.



**PIGS**  
**HOUSING AND HANDLING FACILITIES REQUIREMENTS**

### ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

MOVE (drag and drop) the mated gilts and sows to the group pen before the calendar reaches JULY 1, 2024.

**START ACTIVITY**

As of July 1, 2024, mated gilts and sows must be housed in groups. If housed in groups, individual stalls may be used for up to 28 days after the date of last breeding, and an additional period of up to 7 days is permitted to manage grouping.

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Following the requirements page, you will now have to complete an activity based on the information given in the requirements. In this particular case it involves moving pigs into a group housing system by the date specified in the Code. Instructions are given on how to complete the activity. Once you are ready, click the 'Start Activity' button in the middle of the page.



Once you've clicked the start button you are now free to complete the activity as per the instructions on the page. There are other activities throughout the Code that may be similar of different. Not every section has an activity so keep your eyes open for them. You must complete the activity to move on.



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### Housing Systems

If pigs appear to be injured, an investigation of the facilities should be conducted to determine if the condition of the housing is the cause.

True

False

[Find information to answer this question.](#)

**SUBMIT** **BACK** **DONE**

Once you've completed the activity, you will now be asked a multiple choice question. The question is related to this section of the Code. Once you've chosen your response, simply click the 'Submit' button in the lower right hand side to see if you are correct or not. If your answer is incorrect, you will be provided with a response on what the correct answer is. Questions only appear in some sections of the module, so make sure you are reading and listening carefully.

This concludes the 'Housing Systems' section under 'Housing and Handling Facility Requirements'. Once you've answered the question you will be taken back to the 'Housing and Handling Facility Requirements' page with the circular photos. Navigate through each of these circles. Once you've completed a section, a green check mark will appear on each circle. Once you've got all green check marks under the 'Housing and Handling Facility Requirements', you're ready to go through the other five main sections. The other sections are set up in a similar fashion, with photos, videos, activities and questions.





## IMPACT Farm Animal Care App

One tool currently in development is an app that will allow farmers and farm workers to access farm animal care information on their smart phones where they need it most, in the barn.

The IMPACT Farm Animal Care app will be available for free download on both iTunes and the Google Play Store.

Look for the IMPACT app for download in late 2015.



# IMPACT AT THE PORK CONGRESS

IMPACT was part of the 42<sup>nd</sup> Ontario Pork Congress on June 17 and 18, 2015 in Stratford. Attendees were given an exclusive opportunity to see and navigate brand new IMPACT resources on the Pig Code of Practice, Smart Pig Handling and procedure videos on piglet processing.

Over the two days Dr. Laura Beveridge gave multiple informational sessions introducing the Codes of Practice modules. With much attention around the Pig Code of Practice, this resource aims to familiarize farmers, stock people or anyone who works with pigs with all of the requirements and some of the recommendations in a unique and interactive method.



Dr. Laura Beveridge and Kristen Kelderman pose for a photo with the Ontario Pork Congress mascot.



Dr. Laura Beveridge gives a presentation to attendees on the Pig Code of Practice.

# PACCO COURSE COMING TO GUELPH

The Professional Animal Auditor Certification Organization, Inc. (PAACO) will hold a two-day Meat Plant Welfare Auditor Training Course on Aug. 27-28 in Guelph, hosted in part by Farm & Food Care Ontario's IMPACT program. The training will include both a session and on-site demonstrations and hands-on experience at Conestoga Meats and Cargill Foods. The curriculum is based on the PAACO-accredited North American Meat Institute Foundation's 2012 Recommended Animal Handling Guidelines and Audit guide, which is widely

accepted by packers, restaurants and retailers. Instructors for the course include Dr. Temple Grandin, PhD, president of Grandin Livestock Handling Systems; Penny Lawlis, MS, humane standards officer, OMAFRA; Mike Siemens, PhD, leader of animal welfare and husbandry, Cargill; and Jennifer Woods, MS, J. Woods Livestock Services. The cost of the course is \$850 USD and registration is now open. Class size is limited so participants are encouraged to register well in advance of the July 29th deadline. The registration form and more information about the course are available through [www.farmIMPACT.ca](http://www.farmIMPACT.ca) and [www.animalauditor.org](http://www.animalauditor.org).

## OTHER IMPACT RESOURCES TO LOOK FOR

Other resources currently under develop include the following:

- Poultry CLT and handling training delivery has begun.
- Smart Pig Handling video and quiz book modified from Manitoba Pork's handling videos.
- Behaviour whiteboard videos for sheep, goats and veal calves.
- A Canadian version of Pork Checkoff's On-Farm Euthanasia of Swine.
- Sheep and goat euthanasia pocket guide.
- Ballistics infographic for euthanizing ruminant farm animals.
- Rabbit euthanasia resources.
- Canadian Livestock Transport workshops.
- Ethics of euthanasia video.
- Beef handling workshop series.
- And much more.



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