

Table 2: Comparison of Key Livestock Mortality Burial Practice Guidelines and Regulations for Canada, The United States, The European Union, and New Zealand.

Jurisdiction	Minimum Earth Cover	Minimum Distance from Pit Bottom to Groundwater	Minimum Distance to Watercourse	Minimum Distance to Well	Maximum Weight/Pit	Guidelines vs. Regulations
Ontario	60 cm	--	--	--	--	Both
British Columbia	1 m	1.2 m	30 m	120 m	700 kg	Both
Alberta	1 m	1 m	100 m	100 m	2500 kg	Regulations
Saskatchewan	0.6 m	1 m	90 m	90 m	--	Guidelines
Manitoba	1 m	--	100 m	100 m	--	Regulations
New Brunswick	--	--	--	--	--	--
Prince Edward Island	0.6 m	--	61 m	304.8 m	--	Guidelines
Newfoundland and Labrador	0.6 m	1.4 m	30 m	90 m	700 kg	Regulations
USDA	--	96.5 cm	100 m	--	--	Guidelines
California	1.2-1.9 m	1.5 m	30.5 m	30.5 m	--	Guidelines
Georgia	0.9 m	0.9 m	--	--	--	Regulations
Idaho	0.9 m	--	91.4 m	61 m	--	Regulations
Kentucky	1.2 m	--	30.5 m	--	--	Regulations
Michigan	0.6 m	--	61 m	--	918 kg/ha	Regulations
Minnesota	--	1.5 m	--	--	907.2 kg	Both
Ohio	1.2 m	--	--	--	--	Guidelines
Oregon	1.2 m	--	402.3 m	--	--	Regulations
Wyoming	0.6 m	--	--	--	--	Regulations
European Union*	--	--	--	--	--	--
New Zealand	--	--	100 m	--	--	Guidelines

Note: The double dash (--) is used when the jurisdiction's regulations and/or guidelines do not cover the topic.

* The European Union has effectively banned burial of livestock mortalities, except in remote areas and under strict regulation by the competent authority.