

CHICKEN STANDARDS VET BRIEFING AT A GLANCE



We hope you find this quick reference list of what you need to do differently helpful. The list only covers the changes within each standard - we suggest that you refer to the full standard to ensure you fulfill all requirements.

Those standards which have been revised to provide additional clarity, but do not require members to take different action, have not been listed below.

CB	Broilers	CH	Hatcheries
CF	Free Range	CL	Breeder Layers
CP	Poussin	CD	Breeder Replacements
EW	Enhanced Welfare		

DP.2	CB, CF, CP, EW, CL, CD	Risks that are uniquely specific to your site must be considered and documented in your contingency / emergency plan.
	CF	The farm's AI contingency plan must provide details of how to accommodate free range birds as housed without compromising their welfare.
HF.2	CF, CH	The farm must have a ventilation plan in place.
HF.2.2	CB, CF, CP, EW, CL, CD	The farm must update its heat and cold stress policy to ensure it is reviewed in the event of any losses to heat or cold stress.
HF.4	CB, CP, EW, CF, CL, CD	The farm must have and implement a cleaning and/or disinfection policy for bulk feed bins.
HF.5	CL, CD	The farm's light level records must record the light intensity once per crop at bird head height across 80% of the flock.
FW.12	CB, CP, CF, EW, CL, CD	The farm must have a documented medicated feed use procedure.
AH.1	CB, CP, CF, EW, CH, CL, CD	A health plan must have been prepared and viewed by the vet who has overall responsibility for the care of your animals.
AH.4.1	CB, CF, CP, EW	Environmental enrichment must be provided from day three. Pecking objects and perches should be available right up to depopulation.
	CF, EW	Perching height should be from 10 – 80 cm, depending on the age of the birds.

AH.7.1	CB, CF, CP, EW, CH, CL, CD	The farm must have a named welfare officer and their details should be displayed on farm/in the hatchery.
AH.10.3	CL	The farm should have flock Mycoplasma gallisepticum and Mycoplasma synoviae testing records. Birds should be tested at the prescribed intervals and the results must be retained for five years and communicated to the hatchery.
HC.2	CH	The farm should receive the flock testing records of Mycoplasma gallisepticum and Mycoplasma synoviae from the breeder flocks for all incoming eggs. A Mycoplasma containment plan must be in place if setting of eggs from positive flocks is unavoidable.
AM.6	CB, CF, CP, EW, CH, CL, CD	Records must be kept of all administered veterinary medicines, including the length of withdrawal period for both meat and eggs (where applicable).
AM.8.1	CL, CD	There must be no prophylactic administration of antibiotics.
AM.9.1	CL, CD	Macrolides and fluroquinolones should only be used as a last resort.

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