

Council Directive 2007/43/EC of 28 June 2007 laying down minimum rules for the protection of chickens kept for meat production (Text with EEA relevance)

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ANNEX I

REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO HOLDINGS

In addition to the relevant provisions of other relevant Community...

Drinkers

1. Drinkers shall be positioned and maintained in such a way...

Feeding

2. Feed shall be either continuously available or be meal fed...

Litter

3. All chickens shall have permanent access to litter which is...

Ventilation and heating

4. Ventilation shall be sufficient to avoid overheating and, where necessary,...

Noise

5. The sound level shall be minimised. Ventilation fans, feeding machinery...

Light

6. All buildings shall have lighting with an intensity of at...
7. Within seven days from the time when the chickens are...

Inspection

8. All chickens kept on the holding must be inspected at...

9. Chickens that are seriously injured or show evident signs of...

Cleaning

10. Those parts of buildings, equipment or utensils which are in...

Record keeping

11. The owner or keeper shall maintain a record for each...

Surgical interventions

12. All surgical interventions carried out for reasons other than therapeutic...

ANNEX II

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE USE OF HIGHER STOCKING DENSITIES

Notification and documentation

Requirements for the holdings — control of environment parameters

3. The owner or keeper shall ensure that each house of...

ANNEX III

MONITORING AND FOLLOW-UP AT THE SLAUGHTERHOUSE

1. Mortality

1.1. In the case of stocking densities higher than 33 kg/m², the...

1.2. Under the supervision of the official veterinarian these data as...

2. Post-mortem inspection

3. Communication of results

ANNEX IV

TRAINING

The training courses referred to in Article 4(2) shall at...

Annexes I and II; physiology, in particular drinking and feeding...

ANNEX V

CRITERIA FOR THE USE OF INCREASED STOCKING DENSITY

1. Criteria

2. Exceptional circumstances

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- (1) Opinion delivered on 14 February 2006 (not yet published in the Official Journal).
- (2) Opinion delivered on 26 October 2005 (not yet published in the Official Journal).
- (3) [OJ L 221, 8.8.1998, p. 23](#). Directive as amended by Regulation (EC) No 806/2003 ([OJ L 122, 16.5.2003, p. 1](#)).
- (4) [OJ L 323, 17.11.1978, p. 14](#). Convention as amended by a Protocol of amendment ([OJ L 395, 31.12.1992, p. 22](#)).
- (5) [OJ L 139, 30.4.2004, p. 206](#). Corrected by [OJ L 226, 25.6.2004, p. 83](#). Regulation as last amended by Council Regulation (EC) No 1791/2006 ([OJ L 363, 20.12.2006, p. 1](#)).
- (6) [OJ L 165, 30.4.2004, p. 1](#). Corrected by [OJ L 191, 28.5.2004, p. 1](#). Regulation as last amended by Council Regulation (EC) No 1791/2006.
- (7) [OJ L 224, 18.8.1990, p. 19](#). Decision as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1791/2006.
- (8) [OJ C 321, 31.12.2003, p. 1](#). Corrected by [OJ C 4, 8.1.2004, p. 7](#).
- (9) [OJ L 184, 17.7.1999, p. 23](#). Decision as amended by Decision 2006/512/EC ([OJ L 200, 22.7.2006, p. 11](#)).