

## SCHEDULE 2

Additional conditions that apply to the keeping of laying hens in non-cage systems

6. If systems are used where the laying hens can move freely between different levels—
  - (a) there shall be no more than four levels;
  - (b) the headroom between the levels shall be at least 45cm;
  - (c) the drinking and feeding facilities shall be distributed in such a way as to provide equal access for all hens; and
  - (d) the levels shall be so arranged as to prevent droppings falling on the levels below.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Welfare of Farmed Animals Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012, Paragraph 6.