

# BROILER BREEDER FEEDING MANAGEMENT

Key points for successful feeding management of broiler breeders.



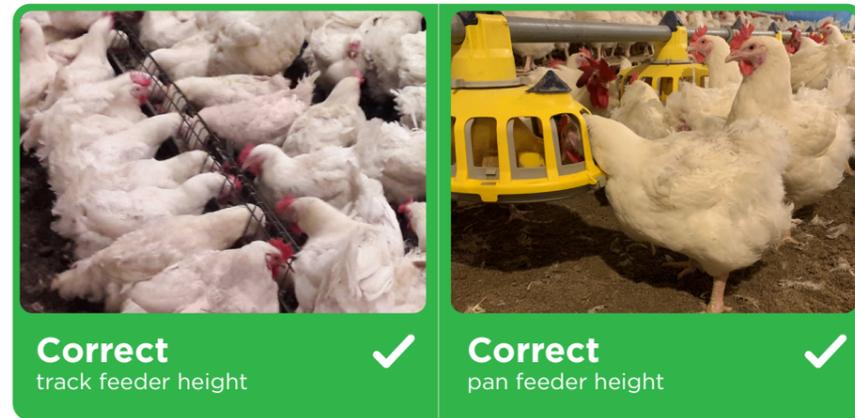
## FEEDING SYSTEMS

FEEDER SPACE PER BIRD		
Females Age (days)	Track Feeder cm (in)	Pan Feeder cm (in)
0-35	5 (2)	4 (2)
36-70	10 (4)	8 (3)
71-depletion	15 (6)	10 (4)

**FEED DISTRIBUTION TIME**

**< 3 MINUTES**

**Feeder height** should promote uniform feed clean-up times across the population.



## MONITORING FEEDING BEHAVIOR

**Leave approximately 1 m (3.3 ft) between feeder lines.** Distribute the first feed round in the dark.



Feed clean-up Time at Peak Production (hours)	Feed Texture
3-4	<b>COARSE MASH</b>
2-3	<b>CRUMBLE</b>
1-2	<b>PELLET</b>

Many factors affect feed clean-up times, including:

- Age
- Environmental temperature
- Feed volume
- Physical feed quality
- Nutrient density of feed

## SEPARATE SEX FEEDING



- Monitor male feeding behavior for:
- Males eating at the correct feeding location
  - Feed spillage
  - Missing male excluder
  - Correct male feeder height

## MONITOR CROP FILL

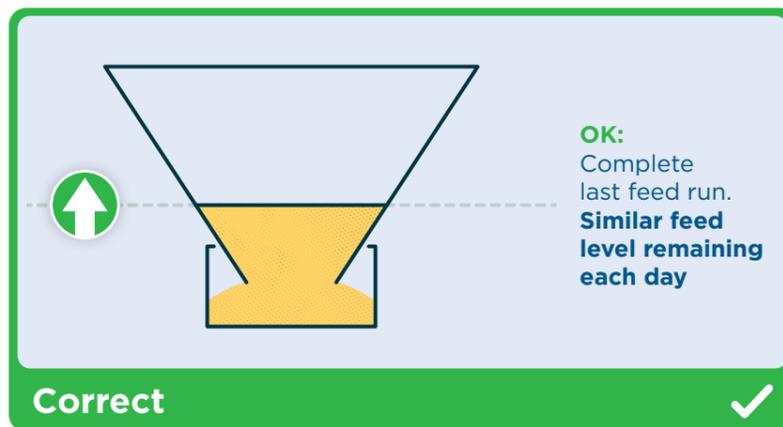
Evaluate feeding distribution by monitoring crop fill to prevent a loss in uniformity:

**Observe bird behavior 30 minutes after first feed run.**



## HOPPER MANAGEMENT

How to ensure the last feed round has been circulated correctly



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