20.7 Housing poultry

_Flock sizes_

20.7.10

The number of birds in a poultry house should not exceed:

- 500 for laying and table chickens, ducks, guinea fowl
- 250 for turkeys and geese.

20.7.11

With our permission, you may have more than the number of birds per poultry house in standard 20.7.10, if we have approved it as part of your poultry management plan. We will only give you permission if:

- you can show us that you can maintain a high level of bird health and welfare
- you can maintain good environmental conditions inside the house and out on the range
- you can provide your birds with the area of range they need (see section 20.8 for maximum stocking densities) within the maximum ranging distances from the house:
  
  i. layers, geese and guinea fowl: 100m
  ii. table chickens, turkeys and ducks: 50m.

Note – your calculation of the area of range available to the birds must exclude the area taken up by the house, access roads, concrete aprons and any pasture that is being rested from poultry.

20.7.12

The number of birds in each poultry house must not exceed:

- 2,000 birds for laying chickens
- 1,000 birds for table chickens, ducks, geese and guinea fowl
- 1,000 birds for turkeys.

20.7.13

We may require you to decrease your housing unit size if there is a breakdown of health and welfare in the flock.