



## Thurlby Technical Standards

### Operations

The operation of the farm will be in accordance with SGN EPR6.09 'How to comply with your environmental permit for intensive farming'.

### Feed

Selection and use of feed is in accordance with SGN EPR6.09 'How to comply with your environmental permit for intensive farming'.

Protein is reduced over the growing cycle by providing different feeds.

Phosphorus levels in rations are reduced over the production cycle.

Feed storage bins are specifically designed to accommodate the required feeding regime.

### Housing

Housing design and management is in accordance with SGN EPR6.09 'How to comply with your environmental permit for intensive farming'.

The housing is well insulated and the sheds have a damp proof course.

The sheds are fully insulated with a U-Value of approximately 0.4 W/m<sup>2</sup>/°C to reduce condensation and heat lost.

The free-range houses have forced ventilation with a fully littered floor equipped with non-leaking drinking systems. Gable end fans and chimney stacks are fitted to provide additional cooling during times of extreme hot weather.

Litter is kept loose and friable. The quality is regularly inspected to ensure it does not become excessively wet. Steps as described in SGN EPR6.09 'How to comply with your environmental permit for intensive farming' will be taken to rectify any changes to the quality of the litter.

Temperature in the sheds meets the health and welfare needs for the age and number of the birds.

The fans are fitted with back draft shutters to prevent drafts and unnecessary heat loss.

The shed is accessed via the control room/vestibule area, which prevent drafts.

A computer automatically controls ventilation so that heat is not wasted by being drawn out of the building.

The ventilation management system controls the ventilation rates depending on the health and welfare needs of the birds and the outside weather conditions.

### General Management

In accordance with the management system at the farm, the buildings are regularly inspected and maintained. The floors and walls of the sheds are kept clean.

The site is regularly inspected and well maintained.

### Livestock Numbers and Movements

A system is in place to record the number animal places and animal movements.

These records will be available for inspection.

### Slurry spreading and manure management planning - off site-activity

Litter is not stored at the installation.

Litter is exported off site and sold.



Any litter that is exported from the installation has records kept of the quantities, destination and the date of transfer to third party.

Contingency arrangements are in place with surrounding farms to accept the manure in case of an emergency.

In these circumstances where the litter is exported for spreading to land, records are kept of the names and addresses of the receiving farms.

The receiver of the manure confirms by signing a docket that litter is spread to land in accordance with the Code of Good Agricultural Practice, or in accordance with the manure management plan for the receiving land.

### **Improvement Program**

Not applicable, new proposed building will be constructed to BAT.

### **Fugitive Emissions**

Appropriate measures for preventing and minimising fugitive emissions are in place in accordance with the SGN EPR6.09 'How to comply with your environmental permit for intensive farming'

Buildings will be constructed to BAT.

Areas around buildings will be kept free from build-up of manure, slurry and spilt feed.

Footbaths will be managed so that they do not overflow.

Drainage from animal housing and water from cleaning out will be collected in underground storage tanks as shown on the site drainage plan. Clean drainage systems will not be contaminated.

Drainage from yards contaminated by litter or wash water will be collected in a dirty water tanks.

The wash water tanks will be built to conform to specifications in SGN EPR6.09 'How to comply with your environmental permit for intensive farming'.

Spent disinfectants will be added to the dirty water collection tanks.

### **Dust**

Feed is stored in purpose built covered feed silos located next to the poultry sheds.

No milling or mixing of feed takes place at the farm. All feed is delivered to the farm by lorry Huttoft Mill UFAS 4033. Feed is blown directly from the lorry into the storage silos.

Feed is piped from the silos to the sheds minimising dust emissions.

Ventilation systems are operated to achieve optimum humidity levels for the stage of production in all weather and seasonal conditions.

Control of minimum ventilation rates is planned to avoid the build-up of moisture in the house. Ventilation is appropriate to the age and weight of the animal.

The sheds are managed to maintain the poultry litter in as dry and friable condition as possible. Dust is controlled through the management of litter and air quality.

Both houses will have roof ventilation outlets. Rainwater run-off will be collected by the guttering system and routed to the soak aways.

### **Carcass management**

Fallen stock is disposed of in accordance with the current Animal By-Products Regulations.



### **Flies/Pest Control**

A pest control contract will be in place using a specialist contractor. Appropriate actions will be put into place to prevent and control flies should a nuisance arise.

### **Bunding and containment**

#### **Agriculture Fuel oil and other chemical storage**

The fuel oil storage tank for the generator is bunded. The bund meet the requirements of the Water Resources (Control of Pollution) (Silage, Slurry and Agricultural Fuel Oil) Regulations 2010 (SSAFO Regulations) and meet the requirements outlined in SGN EPR6.09 'How to comply with your environmental permit for intensive farming'. The tank will be regularly inspected.

Pesticides and veterinary medicines will not be stored on site.

#### **Foodstuff**

Feed is kept in silos adjacent to the poultry sheds. No liquid feed is stored at the site. The silos are sited away from site traffic and protected from collision damage by guard rails.

#### **Odour**

There are neighbours (sensitive receptor) within 400m of the farm.

In accordance with the SGN EPR6.09 'How to comply with your environmental permit for intensive farming' refer to - Odour Management Plan.

#### **Noise and vibration**

There are neighbours (sensitive receptor) within 400m of the farm.

In accordance with the SGN EPR6.09 'How to comply with your environmental permit for intensive farming' refer to - Noise Management Plan.