

SUMMARY OF MEASURES USED TO CONTROL EMISSIONS FROM THE FARM

Control of odour emissions

Odour emissions are controlled by careful balancing of feed formulations to gain optimum bird health and welfare at the same time producing optimum growth rates. To maintain these feed ratios, litter within the sheds is kept dry and friable. Ventilation systems are also monitored and adjusted regularly to provide continuous air changes within the houses and maintain optimum temperatures this again provides for dry litter and reduces emissions of odour.

At cleanout, all litter is removed from the houses and placed in trailers with covers to avoid spillage and reduce odour during transit. All areas outside the houses are swept and cleared of any spilt litter, no litter is stored on site.

Washwater is contained in holding tanks and regularly removed for disposal.

Carcasses are removed from the sheds daily and placed in sealed lockable containers prior to collection from site.

All areas of the farm are kept clean and tidy. Waste is placed in appropriate bins/skips and regularly removed from site.

An Odour Management Plan is in place at the site

Control of dust emissions

To prevent emissions of dust from the farm, bedding material used is of low dust content, the addition of fresh bedding is done as to cause as little dust and disturbance to birds as possible. Any deposit of dust from the ventilation systems is cleared up regularly and disposed of via the appropriate waste disposal route.

Control of drainage systems and emissions to land water

Any dirty water generated during the cleaning of the poultry houses is directed to storage tanks which are emptied following the end of wash down.

Clean surface water is directed to drainage systems to convey the water off-site.

Control of noise emissions

Vehicle movements to and from the farm – all vehicles are driven on & off with due care for any neighbours. Deliveries are scheduled to comply with any restrictions that are in place. Vehicles are to be maintained and engines switched off when not in use.

Feeding and ventilation systems are regularly inspected and where necessary maintained, any faults found shall be rectified as soon as reasonably practical.

Personnel are required to carry out their duties without causing unnecessary noise. A noise management plan is in place