

How to best safeguard your poultry farm against diseases

Poultry farming is associated with both infectious and non infectious diseases, these can be safeguarded by ensuring proper management practices.

Additionally these diseases can be prevented by following the principals of health management like disease prevention, early disease recognition and early treatment. It is also advisable to regularly observe chicks and during brooding and use new beddings from trusted sources to avoid disease outbreaks.

Measures to implement

Always keep flock in a clean stress free environment and provide enough food to birds. Additionally, implement farm bio security measures to limit disease spread.

Also manage human contact with birds to avoid spread of diseases and quarantine new and returning birds.

Ensure to provide clean appropriate housing and cover the floor with proper beddings.

Establish proper poultry house ventilators to allow free air circulation and also wash, disinfect shed and tools at end of each batch.

Regularly clean and rinse feeders, water bowls and turn litter. Additionally fence off range areas to avoid predator damage to birds and eggs.

Always avoid sharing equipments between flocks and regularly clean, incubate poultry premises.

Furthermore, store feeds in a cool dry vermin proof area to maintain freshness and limit mould growth which may

contaminate feeds.

Lastly clean the shed before new birds arrive and avoid over crowding birds to prevent disease spread.