

S 2. Broiler Farm Questionnaire

**Date of administration:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Farmer/ Contact Person**

**Contractor**

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**Address of Farm/GPS coordinates**

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**Telephone Number**

**Email Address**

**1. What type of management system do you have on your farm?**

Automatic                       Semi-automatic                       Manual

**2. How many workers are employed on your farm? \_\_\_\_\_**

**3. Are specific workers assigned to each pen?**

Yes                       No

If Yes, how many workers are assigned to each pen? \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Are your pens tunnel ventilated or open sided?**

Tunnel ventilation                       Open sided

**5. What is the maximum number of broilers your farm can house, i.e. maximum bird capacity?**

< 1000 birds                       1001- 5000 birds                       5001- 10,000 birds

10,001- 15,000 birds                       15,001- 20,000 birds                       20,001- 25,000 birds

> 25,000 birds

**6. How many broilers do you currently have on your farm?**

1001- 5000 birds                       5001- 10,000 birds                       10,001- 15,000 birds

15,001- 20,000 birds                       20,001- 25,000 birds                       > 25,000 birds

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**7. How many actively used pens do you have on this farm?**

- 1                       5                       9  
 2                       6                       10  
 3                       7                       > 10  
 Fans

**8. What is/are the average sizes of your pens/cages/barn?**

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**9. What type of ventilation system do you use in your pens?**

- Fans                       Extraction fans                       Natural ventilation  
 Insulation (ceiling)                       Others (specify)\_\_\_\_\_

**10. How many hours per day are the birds exposed to light (day/artificial/natural)?  
What type of lighting is used on your farm?**

- Daylight: \_\_\_\_\_ h/day  
 Artificial: \_\_\_\_\_ h/day  
 Natural light: \_\_\_\_\_ h/day  
Ratio (light/dark): \_\_\_/\_\_\_

**11. On average, how often do you grow-out birds for slaughter?**

- Once a week                       Twice a week                       Every other week  
 Once/month                       Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**12. What kind of flooring system do you use in your pens?**

- Dirt                       Concrete                       Dirt and Concrete

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Other \_\_\_\_\_

**13. Is litter treated with chemicals before chicks are added to new pens?**

Yes             No

If “Yes”, what agents are used and how often?

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If “No”, what is the practice used on the farm before re-stocking pens with chicks?

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**14. In the following table please state the number of birds housed in each pen and their respective ages.**

Pen #	Number of birds in each pen	Age of birds in each pen	Orientation of each pen
1			
2			
3			
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5			
6			
7			
8			
9			
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**13. Who supplies the chicks to you? Please mention all sources of your chicks.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

**14. What is the age of the chickens that you receive?**

Day-old                       2 days old

Other (state age): \_\_\_\_\_

**15. How are the chicks transported to the farm?**

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**16. Do your chicks receive any vaccines during the grow-out period?**

Yes                                       No

*Which vaccines do they receive (after hatching) and at what age/s?*

Name of vaccine	Agents targeted by vaccine	Age given to chicks
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		

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5.		
6.		
7.		

17. Are the chicks transferred to a grow out pens or do they stay in one pen for their entire lives?

- Transferred to grow out pens                       Stay in same pen  
 Transferred at some other point \_\_\_\_\_  
Please specify  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

18. On average, at what age are your broilers sent for slaughter?

- 4 weeks old               5 weeks old               6 weeks old  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_ days old

19. What is the estimated percent of broilers that die on the farm between arrival of chicks and being sent for slaughter? (mortality rate)

\_\_\_\_\_

20. How do you prepare broilers to be sent to slaughter (any special feed/minerals/vitamins used leading up to slaughter age)? At what age are they introduced to this supplement. Please fill out the table.

Supplement (food/water)	Age of introduction
<input type="checkbox"/> Normal finisher ration	
<input type="checkbox"/> Special diet/feed (other than finisher)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mineral supplement	
<input type="checkbox"/> Vitamin supplement	
<input type="checkbox"/> Growth enhancer/ promoter	
<input type="checkbox"/> Antibiotics	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	

**21. How are the pens sanitized within flocks? What agents are used?**

- Change litter only                       Change litter and wash pen only
- Change litter and clean with disinfectant or bleach                       No response
- Other (please explain):

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Agents used?

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

**22. Who do you supply broilers to? Insert percentages supplied where applicable**

- Arawak \_\_\_%
- Fine Choice \_\_\_%
- Nutrimix \_\_%
- Pluck shops \_\_%
- Both contractors and pluck shops (ratio) \_\_\_/\_\_\_

**23. Who supplies your feed?**

- Contractor                       Other local supplier
- Imported                       Mixture of local and imported feeds

**24. Where is the feed stored?**

- Store room/shed                       Other (state): \_\_\_\_\_
- Pen

**25. What feeding system do you have in place?**

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Automatic                       Manual                       Automatic and manual

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**26. How often are the feed containers cleaned and sanitized? Explain how it is done.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**27. What type of feed is used at the different ages of growth? (starter, grower, finisher)**

Starter: \_\_\_\_\_

Grower: \_\_\_\_\_

Finisher: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**28. Where does your water supply come from?**

Pipeborne                       Spring                       Both

Rain                               Boreholes

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**29. Do you treat the water yourselves?**

Yes                                       No

If "Yes" what do you use to treat the water and how often do you treat it?

Agent/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Frequency of treatments: \_\_\_\_\_

**30. What drinking water system do you have in place for your broilers?**

Automatic                       Manual                       Automatic and manual

Others: \_\_\_\_\_

**31. Do you add any supplements to the everyday drinking water/feed?**

Yes     No

If "Yes" to above, please explain:

Agent used: \_\_\_\_\_

Frequency of administration: \_\_\_\_\_

Feed/Water: \_\_\_\_\_

**32. Are there any pests present on your farm?**

Yes                       No

If "Yes", which ones

Mice                       Rats                       Birds                       Others: \_\_\_\_\_

**33. How do you control your pest population?**

Poison                       Bait                       Others: \_\_\_\_\_

**34. What biosecurity measures do you have in place?**

None                       Foot dips                       Vehicle dips                       All in-all out

Restricted Access     One-way Traffic     Protective Clothing for workers

Others \_\_\_\_\_

**35. Do you have access to veterinary consultations?**

Yes                       No

If Yes, how often does the veterinarian visit your farm?

Only when requested                       Weekly visits                       Every 2 weeks

Once a month                       Before transported to processing plant

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**36. Have you ever had any disease outbreaks in the last five years?**

Yes

No

If yes, which diseases and when?

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**Salmonellosis?** \_\_\_\_\_

**37. What is the average mortality rate per pen?**

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**38. In cases of sudden deaths in a pen/ several pens, what protocol is followed in dealing with such?**

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**39. Briefly explain how pens are prepared/disinfected/sanitized before a new batch of chicks are added?**

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**36: Other Comments**

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**END**

**Thank you for your cooperation**