
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2012 No. 156

**Welfare of Farmed Animals
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012**

Additional duties on persons responsible for poultry, laying hens, conventionally reared meat chickens, calves, cattle, pigs or rabbits

4.—(1) A person responsible for—

- (a) poultry (other than those kept in the systems referred to in Schedules 2 and 3) kept in a building, shall ensure they are kept on or have access at all times to well-maintained litter or a well drained area for resting;
- (b) laying hens kept in establishments with more than 350 laying hens shall comply with Schedules 2, 3 and 4, as applicable;
- (c) conventionally reared meat chickens shall comply with Schedule 5;
- (d) calves confined for rearing and fattening shall comply with Schedule 6;
- (e) cattle (other than calves to which sub-paragraph (d) applies) shall comply with Schedule 7;
- (f) pigs shall, subject to paragraph (2), comply with—
 - (i) Part 2 of Schedule 8; and
 - (ii) Parts 3, 4, 5 or 6 of Schedule 8 (as the case may be) applicable to the particular class of pigs being kept;
- (g) rabbits shall comply with Schedule 9.

(2) Paragraphs 12, 29, 30 and 31 of Schedule 8 apply to all holdings newly built, rebuilt or brought into use for the first time on or after 1st June 2003, but in the case of all other holdings, those paragraphs do not apply until 1st January 2013.

(3) Part 1 (Interpretation) of Schedule 5 has effect.

(4) Part 1 (Interpretation) of Schedule 8 has effect.