

# **Animal Welfare Policy**

**Baiada** acknowledges and accepts responsibility to all livestock, the community and to its customers to develop, implement and endorse farming practices which promote the best possible animal welfare outcomes.

#### **Our Policy**

#### Baiada Poultry will:

- Ensure all birds are treated humanely and ethically throughout all stages of production taking into account their physical and psychological needs.
- House birds in a safe and secure facilities and striving to maintain them in optimal health and environmental conditions.
- Provide all birds with ready access to a high quality, well formulated diet and fresh water to meet their nutritional requirements through all life stages.
- Comply with the minimum requirements pertaining to the welfare of poultry as outlined in State legislation and relevant National Welfare Codes (Model Codes of Practice: Domestic Poultry, Land Transport of Poultry and Livestock and Poultry at Slaughtering Establishments) and striving to exceed these minimum standards.
- Endorse and invest in a sound scientific approach to welfare to ensure that the best welfare outcomes
  are achieved.
- Promote our strong ethical stance in respect to poultry welfare to all personnel within the business and to the community.

### This will be achieved by:

- Providing husbandry, technical and veterinary advice and supervision to ensure optimal management, health and hygiene practices and employed and implemented.
- Developing, implementing and auditing against our comprehensive Welfare Standards to ensure full compliance across breeder, hatchery, broiler, catching, transportation and slaughter operations.
- Identifying and scrutinising key welfare performance indicators to determine areas for continuous improvement.
- Training and educating of our farm personnel in their roles and responsibilities in relation to this Policy and our Standards.

## Responsibilities:

**Management** is accountable for implementing this policy and ensuring that the staff that reports to them understand their animal welfare obligations and responsibilities **Employees, Contractors and Visitors** are required to:

- Take reasonable care for the well-being of all livestock
- · Fully comply with the Baiada Animal Welfare Policy and Standards
- Immediately report all known incidents or observed non-compliances to their immediate Supervisor or Manager
- Cooperate with Balada's initiatives to promote animal welfare

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