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Statement on the broiler chicken farming system in the company Domäsko s.r.o.

The company Domäsko s.r.o. carries out broiler chicken farming in accordance with the requirements of the animal welfare system, adhering to all principles of proper zootechnical and veterinary practice.

Based on the provided documentation, professional cooperation, and previous joint research activities, it can be confirmed that the company:

- keeps broiler chickens on deep litter,
- ensures appropriate stocking density (maximum 30 kg live weight/m^2),
- maintains a stable microclimate – temperature, humidity, ventilation, and CO_2 concentration,
- provides continuous access to feed and water for at least 70% of chickens simultaneously,
- observes a light regime with regular alternation of day and night,
- ensures a minimum fattening period of 38 days,
- carries out a cleaning and disinfection break between flocks of at least 14 days,
- uses antibiotics only in justified cases and always in accordance with valid veterinary regulations.

Domäsko s.r.o. also actively participates in joint research projects aimed at improving the health and performance of broiler chickens through the use of probiotic preparations and nutritional supplements (e.g., Fortibac X-Energy, Ecobiol, Prophorce, PoultryStar). These studies demonstrate the company's commitment to reducing antibiotic use and improving welfare in poultry production.

The declared farming conditions fully comply with the legislative requirements for broiler welfare under Council Directive 2007/43/EC and related Slovak regulations. In some parameters (stocking density, inter-cycle downtime, fattening period), they even exceed the minimum standards, and through the application of probiotic products and minimization of antibiotics, the company applies an above-standard approach to ensuring the well-being of animals.

Based on the above, NPPC – Research Institute for Animal Production Nitra confirms that the farm Domäsko s.r.o. is operating in accordance with the requirements of the animal welfare system and meet the principles of ethical, environmentally sustainable, and veterinary sound broiler chicken farming.

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