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## THE INSIDE CHIRP

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## FIRST STEP TO SUCCESS BROODING

### AVIAGEN MANAGEMENT ESSENTIALS



#### OBJECTIVE

To promote early development of feeding and drinking behavior, which will allow the target body-weight profile to be achieved with maximum uniformity and good welfare.

#### **KEY POINTS**

- 1. Ensure the farm and the houses were cleaned, disinfected and laboratory monitoring was done before chick arrival.
- 2. Pre-heat the house and ensure the air temperature is 30°C, floor temperature is 28-30°C and relative humidity is 60-70% and are stable before chick arrival.
- 3. Ensure the brooding area has bright, uniform lighting.
- 4. Brooding pens should be created to hold smaller number of parent stock chicks. Migration fences can be used when half or full house brooding is done.
- 5. Paper with feed on should cover at least 90% of the brooding area.
- 6. Place mini drinkers and pan feeders in the pen to ensure that chicks have good access to feed and water.
- 7. Replenish feed and water frequently to enhance activity and encourage chick eating and drinking behavior.
- 8. Establish a minimum ventilation plan from day-old.
- 9. Temperature and relative humidity (RH) should be monitored and recorded daily and appropriate adjustments to the environment made in response to chick behavior
- 10. Crop fill should be measured to check feeding and drinking behavior.
- 11. Check and adjust feeders and drinkers on a daily basis.
- 12. Increase brooding pen size as the chicks increase in body weight.





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