Check your chicken with our CHICK-O-METER



Do you buy chicken and care about animal welfare?

This leaflet will help you understand which labels mean happier chickens.

70% of chickens reared for meat rearrange in Europe spend their entire lives crammed into barren sheds. Most are bred to grow so fast they can struggle to walk and develop serious heart conditions.

Chickens can feel emotions just like us, such as pain and fear, so regularly suffer in these harsh conditions.

Always choose higher welfare.

You have the power to give chickens a better life – where they can perch, peck, run and play – and behave like chickens!

When you are in the supermarket, look out for higher welfare labels on chicken products. This handy guide will help you - and if you can't see any of these labels ask the store manager what welfare standards their chickens are reared to.

HIGHER WELFARE MEANS HEALTHIER, HΔPPIER CHICKENS!



Soil Association

Space to move around
Able to perch, peck and play
Have natural daylight
Healthier breeds used
Live outdoors two-thirds
of their lives





RSPCA Assured • Free Range •

Space to move around

Able to perch, peck and play

Have natural daylight

Healthier breeds used

Live outdoors half of

their lives





Red Tractor • Free Range •

Space to move around
Able to perch, peck and play

Access to natural daylight (outdoors only)

Healthier breeds used

Live outdoors half of their lives





RSPCA Assured

Space to move around
Able to perch, peck and play
Have natural daylight
Healthier breeds used
Live indoors all of
their lives





Red Tractor Enhanced

Space to move around
Able to perch, peck and play
Have natural daylight
Healthier breeds used
Live indoors all of
their lives





EU Organic

Space to move around
Able to perch, peck and play
Have natural daylight
Fast growing breeds allowed
Live outdoors one-third of
their lives





Red Tractor

Able to perch and peck
May have natural daylight
Fast growing breeds used
Live indoors all of their lives





EU minimum legislation

No space to move around
No perches or pecking objects
No access to natural daylight
Fast growing breeds used
Live in barren sheds all of
their lives



BETTER FOR CHICKENS

Chickens are healthier, happier and more active when they are bred to grow more slowly and have the space and stimulation they need.

BETTER FOR YOUR FAMILY

Buying higher welfare chicken means you can be sure you are giving your family higher quality meat that's more nutritious too!

BETTER FOR THE PLANET

By choosing higher welfare chicken, eating less and wasting less, we can all help take the pressure off the environment.

Find out more: betterchicken.org.uk

