Poultry Cold Stress Prevention Checklist

A poultry cold stress prevention checklist for getting houses, birds and workers ready for cold weather. Producers use it to avoid chilled birds and frozen water.

Farm / unit: _____ Date: _____ By: _____

ITEM	OK	FIX	N/A
Heaters serviced per manual	☐	☐	☐
Drafts sealed	☐	☐	☐
Bedding added or refreshed	☐	☐	☐
Waterers protected from freezing	☐	☐	☐
Ventilation set for cold weather	☐	☐	☐
Backup heat ready	☐	☐	☐
Workers have cold gear	☐	☐	☐
Birds checked for huddling	☐	☐	☐
Weather alerts monitored	☐	☐	☐

NOTES / REPAIRS NEEDED

TIP Keep ventilation working even in cold weather, since damp air is a bigger problem than cool air.