



Turkey Nutrition

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Laucke Mills History







- Family owned and operated milling company, founded in 1899.
- Laucke Mills started as a flour milling business and commenced manufacturing mash feeds in the late 1950's.
- Due to an ever growing demand for pelleted products, in 1989 a new state of the art feed mill was commissioned at Daveyston.
- Numerous upgrades have followed resulting in the Daveyston Mill being one of the most technically advanced Mills in Australia.

Laucke Mills



- Manufacture a range of bulk and bagged feeds to cater for the nutritional requirements of various livestock, poultry, pets and fish.
- 75% bulk feeds predominantly for commercial pig and poultry farms
- 25% bagged feed

The Importance of Nutrition

- Helping your birds perform to their potential
- Nutritionally well fed birds are generally healthier birds
 - Less susceptible to disease/better immune response
 - More productive
 - More fertile
 - More Viable



Commercial Diet Specs

	Starter	Grow 1	Grower 2	Dev 1	Developer 2	Finisher
Age (Wks)	0-4	5 – 8	9 – 11	12 – 14	15 – 16	17+
Crude protein (%)	28	26	23	21	18	16
ME (kcal/kg)	2850	2900	3050	3200	3250	3325
Lysine (%)	1.70	1.60	1.45	1.30	1.12	1.00
Methionine (%)	0.62	0.56	0.52	0.48	0.42	0.35
Calcium (%)	1.4	1.25	1.15	1.05	0.95	0.85
Av. phosphorus (%)	0.75	0.7	0.65	0.6	0.55	0.48
Sodium (%)	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.17

Source: Commercial Poultry Nutrition, 3rd Ed. S. Leeson and J. D. Summers. Pub University Books, Canada, 2005

Components of a balanced diet

Energy

- Critical for all functions in the body
- Sources from:
 - Carbohydrates (simple & complex)
 - Fats/Oils Essential Fatty acids
 - Amino acids (when in energy deficit)

Protein - Amino acid balance

Minerals

- Macro minerals eg Ca, P, Mg Na, Cl
- Trace minerals eg. Zn, Cu, Mn, I, Fe etc.

Vitamins

– A, D, E, K, B vitamins

Fibre

Water

– Clean & Fresh!

ME Poultry	_kcal/kg.
eME Poultry	_kcal/kg.
Protein	
Fat	<u>%</u> .
Fibre	<u>%</u> .
Lysine Available Lysine - Pou	%.
Available Lysine - Pou	ultry _%.
Methionine	%.
Methionine+Cystine _	<u>%</u> .
Threonine	
Tryptophan	%.
Isoleucine	
Leucine	
Valine	<u>%</u>
Arginine	%.
Na+K-CI Bulk Density (ground)	_meq/kg.
Bulk Density (ground)	_kg/m3.
Bulk Density (no grind	 kg/m3.
Legume	%
Choline	mg/kg.
Linoleic Acid	
Potassium (K)	%.
Sodium (Na)	
Chloride (CI)	%.
Calcium (Ca)	%.
Phosphorus (P)	
Available Phosphorus	
Salt (NaCl)	%.

Proteins – Amino Acids

Protein - Amino acid balance

- Thousands of proteins, twenty amino acids
- 9 essential amino acids (must be in diet)
- First limiting amino acid/amino acid ratios





A Good Start is Crucial!

- First week mortalities for turkeys higher for turkeys than chickens.
- Prone to "Starve-out"
 - Failure to eat or drink despite being apparently readily accessible.
- Critical factors
 - Feed availability
 - Feed consumption



- Appropriate Nutritional specification
- Feed form





 Poults perform better on quality crumbles than on a mash of identical nutritional specification

Impact of Feed texture on growth rate (g)

Poult age (days)	Mash	Quality crumbles	Difference (%)
7	117	140	20
14	250	320	28
21	450	600	30
28	780	1020	30

Adapted from Nixey (2003)

Feed form plays a crucial role in determining feed intake





Poult Nutrition

Critical for the early development of the bird and setting up for lifetime health and productivity.

Low feed intake – high nutritional specs

Balance of nutrients critical

Skeletal development



Poult Nutrition

Turkey Starter

- High quality crumble
- Protein 28% minimum
- Properly balanced ration
- To be fed ad lib. from day old until 6 weeks
- Contains Lasalocid sodium as a coccidiostat
- Ensure clean fresh water is available at all times



Grower Nutrition

The grower has a greater capacity to eat Protein- amino acid requirements lower Calcium requirements reduced

Meatline Starter

Grower Nutrition

Meatline Starter

- High quality crumble
- Protein 22% minimum
- Properly balanced ration
- To be fed ad lib. from 6 weeks until 12 weeks
- Contains Lasalocid sodium as a coccidiostat
- Ensure clean fresh water is available at all times

Grower Nutrition

Gamebird Finisher MP

• 2mm micropellet

Gamebird

Finisher MP

- Protein 22% minimum
- Properly balanced ration
- To be fed ad lib. from 6 weeks until 12 weeks
- <u>NO COCCIDIOSTAT</u>
- Ensure clean fresh water is available at all times



Finisher Nutrition

The final phase of feeding focuses more on fat than muscle

> Protein- amino acid requirements lower

Calcium requirements reduced further



Finisher Nutrition

Meatline Finisher

4mm pellet

- Protein 20% minimum
- Properly balanced ration
- To be fed ad lib. from 12 weeks until kill
- Contains Lasalocid sodium as a coccidiostat *note WHP*
- Ensure clean fresh water is available at all times
- 3 day WHP for meat

Breeder Program







15 weeks to point of lay

0 – 10 weeks

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0 – 10 weeks

10 – 15 weeks

Breeder Nutrition



Showbird Breeder

- No Grind micropellet
- Highest levels of essential amino acids promotes quality egg production
- High inclusion of Linoleic acid for egg size, fertility and hatchability
- Added enzymes enhance digestion
- Specific vitamin & mineral premix designed for breeders

