

Poultry Terminology Key

1. **Broiler**- birds used for meat purpose
 - a. Days in production vary from complex to complex
 - b. Days in production equal the size of bird grown
2. **Breeders**- birds used for production of eggs to be incubated at a hatcher
 - a. This is where the chicks come from that are placed in broiler houses
 - b. MOST producers only have 1 flock a year
 - c. These birds are kept upwards of 60+ weeks of age
3. **Layers**- birds used to produce eggs for human consumption
 - a. There are no roosters in these houses
4. **Rooster**- birds raised and used to aid the breeder houses when the flock starts to age
 - a. Young males
5. **Cake out**- removing the top wet layers of litter from the house between flocks
6. **Clean out**- removing ALL litter from the house, down to the pad
 - a. This litter is either stored, applied or sold
7. **Windrowing**- a method used between flocks to kill bacteria within the litter
 - a. NO litter is removed from the houses