



The Bell & Evans Humane Animal Welfare Standard

Compare the Bell & Evans Humane Animal Welfare Standard with other humane standards... and see the difference for yourself.

Bell & Evans chooses to not participate in third party certifications for humane animal welfare because they are not inclusive of the chickens' ENTIRE life cycle. We, at Bell & Evans, take pride in considering every step to ensure that our standards are above and beyond what is required for other programs.

	Bell & Evans Humane Standard	Other Humane Standards
Hatchery		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No injection of antibiotics into the egg nor sprayed on the egg. 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Culled chicks are euthanized through Slow Induction Euthanasia (SIE). 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Housing		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cement floors with raised sides, which are cleaned and disinfected after EVERY flock, then vacant for 2-3 weeks to break any virus or bacteria life cycle. 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No partial house brooding means chicks have full access to the barn from Day 1 and are not stressed by being forced to move to a different location as they grow. 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Natural light through plentiful windows and doors. 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrichments, such as tunnels, ramps, and cardboard tubing encourage natural behavior. 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Feed and Water		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access for all chickens to fresh water and a diet designed to maintain full health, and promote positive well-being. 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fed a diet of corn and extruded & expeller-pressed soybeans. No hexane, No DDGS or ethanol by-products (which are known to contain antibiotics) or No animal by-products. 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feed kept clean, dry and rodent proof. 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Essential oils and spices, such as Oregano oil, Cinnamon and Yucca, to promote gut health. 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Transportation and Processing		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chickens placed in open drawers on the farm and remain there until after Slow Induction Anesthesia (SIA) – No Dump System. 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On average, our chickens have LESS THAN ONE HOUR of transportation time from farm to facility. 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Loaded live-haul trailers are stationed in the CALMING BARN to reduce stress caused by transportation. 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SLOW INDUCTION ANESTHESIA (SIA): Birds are slowly rendered unconscious prior to the start of processing. 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Live haul trailers and drawers cleaned and disinfected after every use. 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Every Bell & Evans Employee is required to complete Humane Animal Welfare training as part of our SQF program. 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	