

## Young females

This section is intended to indicate the different stages of the program of reception, feeding and preparation for your **breeding does delivered between 4 and 10 weeks of age**. We advise you to keep strictly to this program to guarantee a good starting for your livestock and allow to your HYCOLE breeding does to express all their genetic qualities.

### 1) Preparation of the breeding room

- Check correct operation of the water system and nipple drinkers.
- Validate pressure and water flow at the exit of nipple drinkers (100 to 200 ml / min).
- Validate capacity of the feeders weighing the contents of 10 of them.
- Check correct operation of the feeding system as well as ventilation system.



#### **At least 3 days before the delivery:**

- Disinfect and disinsect rooms with powerful and persistent products.
- Begin heating the breeding room with a target of **17°C minimum**.
- Set guidelines for ventilation and for duration of illumination.



A registration document for the different stages of the reception of livestock is provided upon the delivery (Doc-cial-004), it is important to complete it for the guarantee of the animals.

### 2) Management of the animals at reception

- **D0 – Day of delivery of the animals**
  - Individualize breeders aged of 10 weeks or more.
  - Duration of illumination: **10 h / day**.
  - Feeding: 80 g of growing feed.
  - Water at will.

➤ **From D1**



Feeding → use a feed appropriate for the age of animals

- Animals **under 10 weeks**, a growing feed in rationed quantity according to the program following in fattening (Fact No. 4.1).
- Animals **of 10 weeks or more**, distribute the feed in the amount of:
  - **10 to 14 weeks: 400 kcal / day,**
  - **14 weeks to 1 week before the 1<sup>st</sup> AI: 350 kcal / day.**



The feeding program must be adapted to the breeding conditions and the feed distributed. The objective is to obtain a homogeneous group with an average weight of **3.7 / 3.9 kg 1 week before the 1st AI.**

It is recommended to control weight of the animals **at 14 weeks (100 days)**, the target is **3.3 / 3.4 kg** (Fact No. 5.2). This weighing allows to adjust the feeding program to achieve the objective weight at the 1<sup>st</sup> AI.

➤ **D12**

- Preventing problems of scabies.

➤ **D18**

- Deworm the animals.

➤ **D20**

- Make a 3-day course of vitamins (without vitamin D).

➤ **D23**

- End of the course of vitamins. It is important to clean the water pipes after any treatment in drinking water.
- The course of vitamins is to be renewed a month later.



*Maintain this program until the preparation for the 1<sup>st</sup> insemination (1 week before AI – See Fact No. 3.1). It can be performed from 17 weeks of age with a minimum average weight of 3.7 kg (do not inseminate females under 3.4 kg).*



**A registration document of performances of the stockers on the first three AI groups to assess the quality of your livestock starting with your technician (Doc-cial-007).**