



TIPS FOR BIRD CONTROL ON LIVESTOCK OPERATIONS

Many species of birds can be found around farms. Birds are natural carriers of disease and parasites, so it's important to be aware of bird populations and take steps to prevent them from causing damage.

Here are some tips to help control birds on livestock operations.

ELIMINATE ACCESS TO SHELTER

- **Keep barn doors closed**
- **Screen windows, curtain open-sided barns, openings under eaves, air inlets, etc.**

ELIMINATE ACCESS TO FOOD

- **Keep vegetation surrounding barns and buildings short**
- **Compost and manure should be kept in designated areas only**
- **Clean up feed/manure spills immediately**
- **Store feed in bird-proof bins**
- **Garbage containers are sealable and emptied regularly**
- **Keep the face of silage bunkers covered when not in use**

ELIMINATE ROOSTING AREAS

- **Use roof peak and eave wires to discourage roosting on particular buildings**
- **Be aware of trees or equipment that could be used as roosting areas**

If bird population problems persist, consider regular cleaning of the area around the entry-way by hot water pressure washing and sanitizing. This cleaning will help to prevent droppings and feathers being tracked into the barn.

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