



PARENT STOCK  
**Nutrition  
Specifications**

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### Introduction

This booklet contains the nutritional recommendations for Ross 708 Parent Stock and is to be used with the Ross Parent Stock Management Handbook and Ross 708 Parent Stock Performance Objectives.

### Performance

To achieve optimal reproductive performance, it is important that the body weight profiles recommended in the Ross 708 Parent Stock Performance Objectives are followed. For the nutritional recommendations that follow, nutrient specifications presented have been based upon daily energy allocations that enable body weight profiles to be achieved.

Included in this booklet are both 2- and 4-stage rearing programs. The 4-stage program is applicable for situations where a lower nutrient density and a higher feed volume feeding strategy is required.

**Please note these nutrient recommendations are based on the specified energy levels. Adjustment of nutrient levels must be made to reflect the feeding of different energy levels. Feed allocation should be determined by body weight and egg production levels, and therefore altered to maintain the recommended weight and egg production profiles.**

It may be beneficial to use a separate male diet during the production period. A specification for a male diet is provided in this booklet.

For further information regarding these recommendations or for more specialized situations and advice on local markets please contact your Aviagen Nutritionist or Technical Service Manager.

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## Female Parent Stock Nutrient Specifications

### Two Stage Rearing Program

		Starter		Grower		Breeder 1		Breeder 2**	
Age fed	days	0-28		29 to 5% production		from 5% production		after 245 days	
Energy per kg	kcal	2800		2800		2800		2800	
	MJ	11.7		11.7		11.7		11.7	
Energy per lb	kcal	1270		1270		1270		1270	
<b>AMINO ACIDS*</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>Digest<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Digest<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Digest<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Digest<sup>1</sup></b>
Lysine	%	1.06	0.95	0.68	0.61	0.67	0.60	0.62	0.56
Methionine & Cystine	%	0.84	0.74	0.62	0.55	0.64	0.56	0.62	0.55
Methionine	%	0.46	0.40	0.37	0.33	0.40	0.35	0.39	0.34
Threonine	%	0.72	0.64	0.54	0.48	0.53	0.47	0.50	0.45
Valine	%	0.80	0.71	0.64	0.57	0.63	0.56	0.59	0.53
Isoleucine	%	0.70	0.62	0.56	0.50	0.59	0.53	0.57	0.51
Arginine	%	1.17	1.05	0.84	0.76	0.88	0.79	0.85	0.77
Tryptophan	%	0.19	0.16	0.16	0.14	0.16	0.14	0.15	0.13
Leucine	%	1.23	1.11	0.84	0.76	1.04	0.94	1.00	0.90
Crude Protein	%	19.00		15.00		15.00		14.00	
<b>MINERALS*</b>									
Calcium	%	1.00		0.90		3.00		3.20	
Available Phosphorus	%	0.45		0.42		0.35		0.32	
Sodium	%	0.16-0.23		0.16-0.23		0.15-0.20		0.15-0.20	
Chloride	%	0.16-0.23		0.16-0.23		0.16-0.23		0.16-0.23	
Potassium	%	0.40-0.90		0.40-0.90		0.60-0.90		0.60-0.90	
<b>ADDED TRACE MINERALS PER KG</b>									
Copper	mg	16		16		10		10	
Iodine	mg	1.25		1.25		2.00		2.00	
Iron	mg	40		40		50		50	
Manganese	mg	120		120		120		120	
Selenium	mg	0.30		0.30		0.30		0.30	
Zinc	mg	110		110		110		110	
<b>ADDED VITAMINS PER KG</b>		<b>Wheat based feed</b>	<b>Maize based feed</b>	<b>Wheat based feed</b>	<b>Maize based feed</b>	<b>Wheat based feed</b>	<b>Maize based feed</b>	<b>Wheat based feed</b>	<b>Maize based feed</b>
Vitamin A	IU	11000	10000	11000	10000	12000	11000	12000	11000
Vitamin D3	IU	3500	3500	3500	3500	3500	3500	3500	3500
Vitamin E	IU	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Vitamin K (Menadione)	mg	3	3	3	3	5	5	5	5
Thiamin (B1)	mg	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Riboflavin (B2)	mg	6	6	6	6	12	12	12	12
Nicotinic Acid	mg	30	35	30	35	50	55	50	55
Pantothenic Acid	mg	13	15	13	15	13	15	13	15
Pyridoxine (B6)	mg	4	3	4	3	5	4	5	4
Biotin	mg	0.20	0.15	0.20	0.15	0.30	0.25	0.30	0.25
Folic Acid	mg	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Vitamin B12	mg	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03
<b>MINIMUM SPECIFICATION</b>									
Choline per kg	mg	1400		1300		1200		1050	
Linoleic Acid	%	1.00		1.00		1.25		1.25	

Digest<sup>1</sup> = Digestible

\* Energy base value. Nutrients should be factored accordingly when feeding differing energy values.

\*\* A Breeder 2 can be useful to help control egg size and improve shell quality.

#### NOTES

These feed specifications should be used as a guide. They may require adjustment for local conditions, legislation and markets.

## Female Parent Stock Nutrient Allocations at Peak Production

Nutrient	Nutrient Allocation at Peak
Energy (kcal/bird/day)	446
<b>DIGESTIBLE AMINO ACIDS mg/bird/day</b>	
Lysine	959
Methionine & Cystine	895
Methionine	560
Threonine	750
Valine	892
Isoleucine	835
Arginine	1259
Tryptophan	220
<b>MINERALS mg/bird/day</b>	
Calcium	4770
Available Phosphorus	557

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These nutrient allocations at peak are based on feeding 159 g (35.1 lb/100 birds/day) of a 2800 kcal ME/kg (1270 kcal ME/lb) diet.

## Female Parent Stock Nutrient Specifications

### Four Stage Rearing Program

		Starter 1		Starter 2		Grower		Pre-Breeder		Breeder 1		Breeder 2**	
Age fed	days	0-21		22-41		43-105		106-5% production		from 5% production		after 245 days	
Energy per kg	kcal	2800		2800		2600		2800		2800		2800	
	MJ	11.7		11.7		10.9		11.7		11.7		11.7	
Energy per lb	kcal	1270		1270		1180		1270		1270		1270	
<b>AMINO ACIDS*</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>Digest<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Digest<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Digest<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Digest<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Digest<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Digest<sup>1</sup></b>
Lysine	%	1.06	0.95	0.74	0.67	0.58	0.52	0.62	0.56	0.67	0.60	0.62	0.56
Methionine & Cystine	%	0.84	0.74	0.66	0.58	0.53	0.47	0.57	0.50	0.64	0.56	0.62	0.55
Methionine	%	0.46	0.40	0.32	0.28	0.34	0.31	0.37	0.33	0.40	0.35	0.39	0.34
Threonine	%	0.72	0.64	0.57	0.51	0.45	0.40	0.48	0.43	0.53	0.47	0.50	0.45
Valine	%	0.80	0.71	0.60	0.53	0.49	0.44	0.53	0.47	0.63	0.56	0.59	0.53
Isoleucine	%	0.70	0.62	0.54	0.48	0.45	0.40	0.48	0.43	0.59	0.53	0.57	0.51
Arginine	%	1.17	1.05	0.87	0.78	0.72	0.64	0.77	0.69	0.88	0.79	0.85	0.77
Tryptophan	%	0.19	0.16	0.15	0.13	0.14	0.12	0.15	0.13	0.16	0.14	0.15	0.13
Leucine	%	1.23	1.11	0.84	0.76	0.77	0.69	0.83	0.75	1.04	0.94	1.00	0.90
Crude Protein	%	19.00		17.00		14.00		15.00		15.00		14.00	
<b>MINERALS*</b>													
Calcium	%	1.00		1.00		0.90		1.20		3.00		3.20	
Available Phosphorus	%	0.45		0.45		0.42		0.35		0.35		0.32	
Sodium	%	0.16-0.23		0.16-0.23		0.16-0.23		0.16-0.23		0.15-0.20		0.15-0.20	
Chloride	%	0.16-0.23		0.16-0.23		0.16-0.23		0.16-0.23		0.16-0.23		0.16-0.23	
Potassium	%	0.40-0.90		0.40-0.90		0.40-0.90		0.40-0.90		0.60-0.90		0.60-0.90	
<b>ADDED TRACE MINERALS PER KG</b>													
Copper	mg	16		16		16		16		10		10	
Iodine	mg	1.25		1.25		1.25		1.25		2.00		2.00	
Iron	mg	40		40		40		40		50		50	
Manganese	mg	120		120		120		120		120		120	
Selenium	mg	0.30		0.30		0.30		0.30		0.30		0.30	
Zinc	mg	110		110		110		110		110		110	
<b>ADDED VITAMINS PER KG</b>		<b>Wheat based feed</b>	<b>Maize based feed</b>	<b>Wheat based feed</b>	<b>Maize based feed</b>	<b>Wheat based feed</b>	<b>Maize based feed</b>	<b>Wheat based feed</b>	<b>Maize based feed</b>	<b>Wheat based feed</b>	<b>Maize based feed</b>	<b>Wheat based feed</b>	<b>Maize based feed</b>
Vitamin A	IU	11000	10000	11000	10000	11000	10000	11000	10000	12000	11000	12000	11000
Vitamin D3	IU	3500	3500	3500	3500	3500	3500	3500	3500	3500	3500	3500	3500
Vitamin E	IU	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Vitamin K (Menadione)	mg	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	5	5	5	5
Thiamin (B1)	mg	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Riboflavin (B2)	mg	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	12	12	12	12
Nicotinic Acid	mg	30	35	30	35	30	35	30	35	50	55	50	55
Pantothenic Acid	mg	13	15	13	15	13	15	13	15	13	15	13	15
Pyridoxine (B6)	mg	4	3	4	3	4	3	4	3	5	4	5	4
Biotin	mg	0.20	0.15	0.20	0.15	0.20	0.15	0.20	0.15	0.30	0.25	0.30	0.25
Folic Acid	mg	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Vitamin B12	mg	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03
<b>MINIMUM SPECIFICATION</b>													
Choline per kg	mg	1400		1400		1300		1200		1200		1050	
Linoleic Acid	%	1.00		1.00		1.00		1.00		1.25		1.25	

Digest<sup>1</sup> = Digestible

\* Energy base value. Nutrients should be factored accordingly when feeding differing energy values.

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## Male Parent Stock Nutrient Specifications

Feed allocation will be determined by male bodyweight and condition.  
The male diet should be introduced when birds are moved to the laying house or at light stimulation.

		Male Feed	
Energy per kg:	kcal	2750	
	MJ	11.5	
Energy per lb:	kcal	1248	
AMINO ACIDS*		Total	Digest <sup>1</sup>
Lysine	%	0.50	0.45
Methionine & Cystine	%	0.49	0.43
Methionine	%	0.32	0.29
Threonine	%	0.38	0.34
Valine	%	0.43	0.38
IsoLeucine	%	0.39	0.35
Arginine	%	0.59	0.53
Tryptophan	%	0.10	0.08
Leucine	%	0.59	0.53
Crude Protein	%	12.00	
MINERALS*			
Calcium	%	0.70	
Available Phosphorus	%	0.35	
Sodium	%	0.15-0.20	
Chloride	%	0.16-0.23	
Potassium	%	0.60-0.90	
ADDED TRACE MINERALS PER KG			
Copper	mg	10	
Iodine	mg	2	
Iron	mg	50	
Manganese	mg	120	
Zinc	mg	110	
Selenium	mg	0.3	
ADDED VITAMINS PER KG		Wheat based feed	Maize based feed
Vitamin A	IU	12000	11000
Vitamin D3	IU	3500	3500
Vitamin E	IU	100	100
Vitamin K (Menadione)	mg	5	5
Thiamin (B1)	mg	3	3
Riboflavin (B2)	mg	12	12
Nicotinic Acid	mg	50	55
Pantothenic Acid	mg	13	15
Pyridoxine (B6)	mg	5	4
Biotin	mg	0.30	0.25
Folic Acid	mg	2	2
Vitamin B12	mg	0.03	0.03
MINIMUM SPECIFICATION			
Choline per kg	mg	1000	
Linoleic Acid	%	1.00	

Digest<sup>1</sup> = Digestible

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