

COVID-19 Precautions During Chick Delivery

Note – most delivery companies or drivers will have their own company protocols they will be following to minimize the risk of spreading COVID. These precautions are in addition to those practiced by the truck driver.

1. Reduce contact with delivery drivers:
 - Give the driver adequate space (6 ft or more) at all times (eg. when the driver enters or exits their vehicle, etc).
 - Minimize the amount of time the driver is required to be out of their vehicle.
 - If signatures are required, try to use personal pens, or sanitize them before the other person uses them.
2. Sanitize Surfaces
 - Sanitize all surfaces using an effective disinfectant (eg. bleach, isopropyl alcohol, Virkon) that are touched regularly: doorknobs, steering wheels, before the delivery, and after the delivery is completed.
 - Provide sanitizer if available. If not, have access to soap and water.
3. Reduce People
 - Use the minimum number of people required to complete your chick delivery and placement.
 - Have farm specific clothing or biosecurity gear for anyone helping from off-farm.
 - Provide masks or ask them to bring their own. Everyone should wear some form of face covering.
4. Wash Hands
 - All personnel should wash their hands before touching any chick delivery equipment, and should immediately wash their hands after the delivery is completed.
5. Healthy Personnel Only
 - Anyone who is feeling ill or unwell should not participate in the chick delivery or go near the driver. If everyone on-farm is unwell, ensure the doors are unlocked immediately prior to delivery, and sanitize handles.

Remember:

COVID-19 can remain and be contagious on many surfaces:

- ➔ Paper: a few hours
- ➔ Metal/Plastic: several days

Keep everyone safe by practicing physical distancing and good sanitation during chick delivery.