

Allfarm Chicks on Hold and Chicks on Hold *SHOW PACK* - NO-SPILL hydration gels for transport and showing of poultry, *supplemented with vitamins and amino acids.*

Have you transported birds, only to find drinking containers flipped over and water spilled everywhere? Here's a simple solution - solid water!

Allfarm Chicks on Hold gel powders are premium hydration formulations for poultry, for situations where drinking water may be spilled, including:

- ✓ transport of chicks and poults from hatcheries to farms.
- ✓ birds being shown at poultry competitions.

Chicks on Hold reverses water loss, and provides vitamins and hydrolysed proteins to the birds, with a carrier that ensures readily-available energy. The products are supplied as a powder that you make just before use.

Which Chicks on Hold product should you use?

- **Allfarm Chicks on Hold** is recommended for the transport of chicks and poults from hatcheries to farms. It comes as a bulk pack, designed for up to 9000 birds, and contains colouring to encourage young birds to peck.
- **Allfarm Chicks on Hold *SHOW PACK*** is recommended for adult birds on show at poultry competitions. Its formulation is identical to that of our base product, except that it lacks the colouring (which could colour feathering). The *SHOW PACK* consists of a drinking cup and powder sachets for four uses. The Refill Pack contains 10 refills for the *SHOW PACK*.

Ingredients:

Gelling agent, Vitamin A, Vitamin D3, Vitamin E, Vitamin B1, Vitamin B2, Vitamin B6, Vitamin B12, Vitamin K3, Nicotinamide, Calcium D-Pantothenate, Vitamin C, L-Alanine, L-Arginine, L-Aspartic Acid, L-Cystine, L-Phenylalanine, L-Glutamic Acid, Glycine, L-Histidine, L-Isoleucine, L-Leucine, L-Lysine, DL-Methionine, L-Proline, L-Serine, L-Threonine, L-Tryptophan, L-Tyrosine, L-Valine, colouring (*not present in Chicks on Hold *SHOW PACK**).

Chicks on Hold *SHOW PACK* also comes with a drinking cup with cage clip.

Directions:

GENERAL:

- **Prepare at least 2-3 hours before use**, or the night before (overnight requires refrigeration).
- **Prepare in a hygienic environment.** Chicks on Hold is perishable and does not contain preservatives.
- All prepared gels should be **discarded after 48 hours**.
- Any unused powder should be resealed / placed in a sealed container and refrigerated.

CHICKS ON HOLD (standard, not *SHOW PACK*):

- Requires: a stirrer; a mixing container or bucket greater than 10 L volume; boiling water (~ 7.5 L), cool tap water (~1.5 L). Water can be boiling, or from a simmering urn. Use less water if you want a firmer gel.
- One sachet (360 g) and 9 L water is sufficient for ~9000 day-old chicks (1 g powder + 25 mL water per chick).

- Empty the contents of the sachet into the mixing container and add 1.5 L of cool tap water. The mixture should immediately turn blue-green. Mix thoroughly to form a uniform paste with no lumps. Gradually add ~ 1.5 L boiling water, stirring constantly so that the mixture remains uniform. Add the remaining boiling water 1-2 L at a time, stirring constantly. A high-speed mixing wand may help homogenize the mixture but isn't essential.
- Immediately dispense into suitable drinking containers. Cover and leave to set at room temperature. The gel should be firm after 2 hours, but may take longer with larger volumes. May be covered and left overnight in the refrigerator, if necessary.

Allfarm CHICKS ON HOLD *SHOW PACK*:

- Requires: a teaspoon or stirrer; boiling water (~110 mL), cool tap water (~100 mL).
- Pour the powder from one jar into the drinking cup. Fill the now-empty powder jar with cool tap water (~25 mL) and add to the cup. Using a spoon, thoroughly mix into a uniform paste.
- Gradually add three more jars of cool tap water (i.e. ~100 mL total), stirring thoroughly in between additions to form a smooth liquid.
- Taking care, gradually add boiling water to the cup. Add a little at a time and stir the mixture as you go so that it remains uniform. Fill the cup to just under the rim, and gently stir to ensure homogeneity.
- Cover and leave to set at room temperature for at least 2-3 hours or overnight. The mixture should become firm.
- We recommend using our cups, which are designed to clip onto wired cages. The U-shaped hooks can be used to thread a support strap to secure the cup in any position – simply hook over the ties.
- It's also possible to set the gel in a different container and then scoop it into a cup that is already attached to the cage.

Storage:

Store in a cool, dry place, below 30°C and away from direct sunlight.

Shelf life:

Check the packaging for the expiry date.

Ordering:

Allfarm products may be ordered from our website: <https://www.allfarm.com.au>
or by telephone: (03) 5979 4488.

Product	Code	Barcode
Chicks on Hold	N0031W	[Barcode: 9341382000655]
Chicks on Hold <i>SHOW PACK</i>	N0035W	[Barcode: 9341382000662]
Chicks on Hold <i>SHOW 10 REFILL PACK</i>	N0033W	[Barcode: 9341382000679]