Layer breeder rearing

All valuations expressed in pence per bird

Age (weeks)	1	2	3	4	5	6
Valuation	746	767	789	809	830	852

Age	7	8	9	10	11	12
Valuation	875	898	923	949	975	1002

Age	13	14	15
Valuation	1030	1058	1086

Layer breeder replacements are produced for eventual use on layer breeding farms. The majority of replacements are brown-feathered (future brown egg layers), although it is possible that white replacement breeders may be encountered. In this situation, advice should be sought from Contingency Planning Division at Nobel House.

In the early stages, it is possible to confuse breeder replacements with commercial floor-reared pullets. After a few weeks of growth however, the males within the breeder flock will become more obvious and be a key to identifying / confirming the type of production system. As with other systems of production, the information provided on the hatchery delivery ticket will usually be the clearest evidence of type of operation.

In the event of the flock age not matching the weekly increments shown in the table, the pro-rata figure should be calculated manually.