

COLOR TEMPERATURE OF LED LIGHT-EMITTING DIODES LIGHTING DEVICES AND PRODUCTIVITY OF LAYING HENS

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Abstract. The article is devoted to the study of the influence of different modes of LED lamps color temperature in high-speed lighting conditions 2C:5T:3C:2T:3C:9T on productivity and viability, quality of the cross "Shaver" hens' eggs. 4 modes of color temperature of radiation were tested: in the 1st group-in all periods of light 3000 K; in the 2nd group-the first and last periods of light 3000 K, the average period of light 5000 K; in the 3rd group-the first and last periods of light 5000 K, the average period of light 3000 K; group 4-the first half of each period of light 3000 K, the second half 5000 K. It was found that in groups 1, 2, 3 and 4 with high bird safety (99-100%), egg production per 1 laying hen was 148.6, 141.8, 155.5 and 140.5 pieces; egg weight-61.2, 60.9, 62.3 and 60.9 g; egg weight yield per 1 laying hen-8.99, 8.55, 9.56 and 8.47 kg; feed consumption per 1 kg of egg weight-3.31, 2.43, 2.24 and 2.40 kg. According to the complex of zootechnical indicators, the 3rd group was recognized as the best, which also surpassed other groups in absolute and relative weight of the yolk (15.04 g and 24.35% vs. 14.16-15.04 g and 23.31-24.35%), absolute weight of protein (40.50 g vs. 38.98-39.88 g) and slightly inferior in absolute and relative weight of the shell (6.73 g and 10.78% vs. 6.83-6.92 g and 11.08-11.39%).

1 Introduction

Light is the most important environmental factor that influences the behavior, physiological state, viability and productivity of birds [1-5]. In conditions of intensive production of eggs and poultry meat, artificial lighting is used as a mechanism that regulates the growth, development and productivity of poultry [6-10]. Consequently, the mode, intensity, spectrum and source of illumination, as well as the color temperature of the radiation, have become the main factors of light in modern poultry farming [1, 5, 11, 12].

The evolution of animals, including birds, took place under the influence of natural light, the color temperature of which varies depending on the time of year, day and state of the atmosphere.

The appearance of LEDs, due to their special characteristics, allows you to significantly change the spectrum and color temperature of radiation in specific lamps. Numerous studies have shown the dependence of the productivity and quality of poultry eggs on the spectrum and color temperature of the source [13-20].

The aim of the study was to study the viability and productivity of laying hens, the quality of food eggs under different modes of color temperature of LED lamps against the background of intermittent daylight.

2 Materials and methods

The study was conducted in the vivarium of the selection and genetic center "Zagorsk Experimental breeding farm VNITIP". Of the 140-day-old chickens of the industrial herd of the cross "Sheiver", 4 groups of 100 heads each were formed by the method of analogues. The bird up to 320 days of age was kept in cell batteries with 5 heads per cage. All groups used the same intermittent lighting mode 2C:5T:3C:2T:3C:9T (the first switching on of the light was carried out at 2 o'clock in the morning, further according to the scheme), the illumination intensity was 10 lux.

Table 1. Research scheme.

| Group | Mode of the color temperature of the radiation of the LED light source, Kelvin (K) |
|-------|--|
| 1(κ) | All light periods – 3000 |
| 2 | The first and last light periods are 3000, the average light period is 5000 |
| 3 | The first and last light periods are 5000, the average light period is 3000 |
| 4 | All periods of light-first half-3000, second half-5000 |

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3 Research results

The results of the study (Table. 2) showed that the safety of livestock in all groups was high and amounted to 99-100%, with a slight difference in the experimental group 2.

The highest egg-laying rate for the initial and average laying hens was observed in group 3 at the color temperature of the radiation of LED lamps in the first and last periods of light was 5000 K, and in the average period of light – 3000 K–4.6-9.6% higher than in the other groups. This indicator was minimal in the 4 experimental group, where in the first half of each light period the color temperature of the radiation was 3000 K, and in the second half-5000 K-the lag from the 1 control group was 5.4%.

A similar trend was observed in the egg weight – in the 3 experimental group it was significantly ($P<0.001$) 1.8-2.3% higher than in the other groups. The minimum egg weight was registered in the 2 and 4 experimental groups-0.5% lower than in the 1 control group.

The weight of the eggs affected the categorization of the eggs. In group 3, with the maximum value of this indicator, the yield of eggs of the highest, selected and first categories was 1.0–1.6%, 2.7–3.1% and 2.1–2.6% higher, respectively, and the yield of eggs of the second category was 4.9 – 8.0% less than in the other groups, which did not differ significantly. The groups differed slightly in the yield of eggs of the third category and in the number of damaged eggs.

The lowest feed consumption per head per day was registered in the 4 experimental group – 2.3-5.1% lower than in the other groups. This indicator was the highest in the 3 experimental group – 2.9% more than in the 1 control group. At the same time, the lowest feed costs per 10 eggs and 1 kg of egg mass were obtained in the 3 experimental group – 1.4–5.5 and 3.0–6.7% less, respectively, than in the other groups. These indicators were the highest in the 4 experimental groups – 4.3 and

5.2% higher than in the control group. The best feed conversion in the 3 experimental group was directly associated with higher egg production and egg mass yield in it.

Morphological analysis of the eggs showed (Table. 3) that, on average, over the period of the experiment, the absolute and relative weight of the yolk of groups 3 and 4 was 0.88-1.04 g and 1.04–1.05% higher than that of the control group 1 and 0.36–0.53 g and 0.08–0.09% higher than that of the experimental group 2. The difference in the absolute weight of the egg yolk is significant between groups 3, 4 and 1 ($P<0.001$).

The highest absolute protein mass was observed in the 3 experimental group – 0.62-0.84 g higher than in the other groups. According to the relative weight of the protein, 1 control group was the leader – the superiority over the other groups was 0.44-0.86%. The difference in absolute weight of the protein of eggs reliable between groups 3 and 2 ($P<0.01$).

Absolute and relative weight of the egg shell, 1 control group at 0.08–0.19 g and 0.10–0.61% was superior to the other groups, although it was noted maximum number of damaged eggs (see table. 2). Times-ness in absolute mass of eggs of reliable between groups 1 and 3 ($P<0.05$).

The lowest egg shell thickness was observed in the 2 experimental group-by 1.92-2.72% less than in the other groups, which did not differ significantly from each other. The difference in egg shell thickness was significant between groups 1, 4, and 2 ($P<0.05$).

A higher protein – to–yolk ratio was observed in control group 1-2.80 versus 2.65-2.66 in experimental groups 2-4, which was mainly due to a lower absolute egg yolk mass in this group.

The results presented in Table 4 show that the groups differed slightly in the content of calcium in the shell (36.89-37.45%).

The best content of vitamins in the yolk was registered in the 3 experimental group. Thus, this group

Table 2. Main results of the study.

| Indicator | group | | | |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | 1(κ) | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Livestock safety, % | 100.0 | 99.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Egg production (pcs.) per laying hen: initial, | 148.64 | 141.83 | 155.46 | 140.54 |
| average | 148.64 | 142.33 | 155.46 | 140.54 |
| Average egg weight, g | 61.2±0.20 | 60.9±0.21 | 62.3±0.19 | 60.9±0.22 |
| Egg yield (%) by category: | | | | |
| the highest | 1.53 | 0.97 | 2.57 | 0.94 |
| selection | 22.54 | 22.18 | 25.28 | 22.19 |
| 1 | 50.05 | 49.73 | 52.19 | 49.58 |
| 2 | 17.86 | 20.67 | 12.93 | 20.94 |
| 3 | 0.76 | 0.64 | 0.38 | 0.73 |
| break and notch | 7.26 | 5.81 | 6.65 | 5.62 |
| Egg mass yield (kg) per laying hen: | | | | |
| Initial | 8.99 | 8.55 | 9.56 | 8.47 |
| average | 8.99 | 8.58 | 9.56 | 8.47 |
| Feed consumption: | | | | |
| per 1 head per day, g | 115.5 | 115.7 | 118.8 | 112.8 |
| per 10 eggs, kg | 1.40 | 1.46 | 1.38 | 1.45 |
| per 1 kg of egg mass, kg | 2.31 | 2.43 | 2.24 | 2.40 |

Table 3. Morphological parameters of eggs.

| Indicator | Group | | | |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Weight: | | | | |
| egg yolk, g | 14.16±0.19 | 14.68±0.22 | 15.21±0.18 | 15.04±0.15 |
| % | 23.31 | 24.27 | 24.36 | 24.35 |
| Protein, g | 39.66±0.41 | 38.98±0.40 | 40.50±0.38 | 39.88±0.34 |
| % | 65.30 | 64.44 | 64.86 | 64.57 |
| shells, g | 6.92±0.06 | 6.83±0.08 | 6.73±0.06 | 6.84±0.06 |
| % | 11.39 | 11.29 | 10.78 | 11.08 |
| Shell thickness, microns | 367±2.5 | 358±3.3 | 365±3.2 | 368±2.8 |
| Protein to yolk ratio | 2.80 | 2.65 | 2.66 | 2.65 |

exceeded the other groups in the content of carotenoids by 23.6-43.5%, vitamin A-by 6.3-14.6%, vitamin E-by 18.5-44.5%, vitamin B2-by 13.4-33.2%. These indicators (with the exception of vitamin A) were the lowest in the 2 experimental group, although it also noted the maximum content of vitamin B2 in protein-by 2.75 – 7.54% higher compared to other groups.

Table 4. Results of chemical analysis of eggs.

| Indicator | Group | | | |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | 1(κ) | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Content: | | | | |
| in the shell of calcium, % | 37.45 | 37.06 | 37.21 | 36.89 |
| in yolk, mcg / g: | | | | |
| carotenoids | 13.96 | 12.03 | 17.26 | 13.76 |
| vitamin A | 4.25 | 4.58 | 4.87 | 4.31 |
| vitamin E | 39.62 | 35.00 | 50.57 | 42.67 |
| vitamin B ₂ | 5.24 | 4.46 | 5.94 | 5.13 |
| vitamin B ₂ in the protein mcg/g | 4.61 | 4.85 | 4.72 | 4.51 |

During the research, we took into account and determined the safety of the head, live weight of the bird, egg production for the initial and middle laying, egg weight, egg yield by category, feed consumption, feed costs per 10 eggs and per 1 kg of egg mass; the weight of protein, yolk, egg shell; shell thickness; the content of carotenoids, vitamins A, E and B2 in the yolk; vitamin B2 in the protein; calcium in the shell.

4 Conclusion

Thus, when keeping egg-laying hens in intermittent daylight conditions, 2C:5T:3C:2T:3C:9T the color temperature of the LED lights in the mode: in the first and last periods of light 5000 K, the average period of light-3000 K compared to other tested options allowed to increase the productive qualities of chickens while reducing feed costs per unit of production.

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