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## SLATTED FLOOR COVERINGS FOR FATTENING OF VEAL CALVES: REPORTS FROM PRACTICE



### KURA S:

tailor-made for every slatted floor geometry



### Wilger operation, Velen, DE



### PROFILE:

- approx. 1,800 calves
- fully slatted pens with KURA S

**Mister Wilger, Velen, Germany, operates a calf fattening farm since 1970 with approx. 1,800 animals at the moment. The calves are kept in fully slatted pens with bongossi floor. Since 2011 some pens have been covered with KURA S as a test, in 2015 a whole calf house for 870 veal calves was retrofitted with KURA S.**

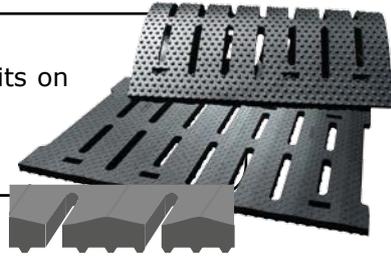
"By covering the 8 year old bongossi grates with KURA S, the wear of the wooden planks can be reduced and thus their life period increases. This kills three birds with one stone: The animals are healthier and grow better, they have a higher slaughtering weight at the end of the fattening period due to the rubber mats and I can use my bongossi grates for a longer time.

The cleaning time is significantly shorter now and the consumption of water has also decreased considerably because only a thin layer of dung forms on the mats. The saving is about 20 liters of water per feeding place at the end of the fattening period. Because of the lower water consumption less water flows through the slatted floor into the slurry. This water must additionally be paid for when the slurry is disposed. Thus, less water consumption also saves additional costs for the disposal of the slurry."



**KURA SB:**

- tailor-made for longitudinal and transverse slits on common concrete or wooden slats
- with curved surface

**Efing operation, Bocholt, DE****PROFILE:**

- approx. 2,000 calves
- fully slatted pens with KURA S and KURA SB

The Efings, Bocholt, Germany, manage a calf fattening farm with approx. 2,000 feeding places. The calves are kept in fully slatted pens. In 2011, in the entire new construction with 950 feeding places the concrete slatted floors were covered with KURA S. Since 2016 some of the pens in the new construction as well as in the existing calf house (bongossi floor) have been equipped with the curved KURA SB mat.

"The KURA SB mats lie very good on the slatted floor. Although we have already been very happy with KURA S, the cleanliness of the animals has improved further on KURA SB. All in all the mats seem drier and cleaner. Furthermore the calves have a good surefootedness due to the special surface and the sinking in of the claws."



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