

## Unilever and McDonalds change to free-range eggs

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McDonald's and Unilever will stop using battery eggs for their products. Both multinational concerns confirmed to the animal welfare organisation Compassion In World Farming (CIWF) that they will only use free-range eggs from now on.



The Dutch/British food and cosmetics concern Unilever uses 650 million eggs per year in Europe. The eggs are used in mayonnaise, dressing, ice-cream and shampoo. To meet this demand, 2.5 million chickens are needed. Before 2010, all the products should be made from free-range eggs. The transfer from battery eggs to free-range eggs will be done in phases. It will be first implemented in Europe and then in the rest of the world.

This week, McDonald's and Unilever were awarded with the Compassion In World Farming's Good Egg Award. This award is introduced by the CIWF.