

FARM FRESH Chicken Wholesalers, Cape Town

Situated in Wetton, Cape Town, Farm Fresh Chicken Wholesalers supplies retail outlets in the Southern Peninsula with chicken and associated frozen products.

Owned and operated by Khalil Sayed and his son Azeem, Farm Fresh Chicken Wholesalers built their first cold store in 2002 with a capacity of just over 300 tons. As business grew it became necessary to expand their cold storage capacity and work started in 2009 on a 1800 ton room at their premises just off the Old Strandfontein Road.

As with their first cold store, Farm Fresh decided to maximise the store's capacity by installing Storax mobile racking. Storax mobile racking has become popular particularly in cold and chilled stores as it maximises capacity but at the same time allows immediate access to every pallet location. The system consists of special rails which are laid into the cold store floor. Electrically powered bases run on these rails and support the racking superstructure on which the pallets are stored. The bases can be moved remotely from inside the heated cab of a reach truck.

The chamber of the new store is 5 metres higher than previous one, and allows for the storage of 5 x 2000mm pallets in the height. From an energy efficiency point of view, maximising the capacity of the store makes sense, and, in addition, energy saving lights were installed, which only come on when the moving aisle is opened.

The project, which was managed by Jeff Wedgwood of Jeff Wedgwood Consulting Engineers, was completed in June 2010, just in time for the World Cup.



New mobile racked store at Farm Fresh, CT

INSTALLATION Fact File

ROOM SIZE 24.983m x 26.034m
 CEILING HEIGHT 12m
 1260 Pallets stored on Mobile Racking
 295 Pallets stored on Fixed Racking
1555 TOTAL STORED

