



## Producer Certification Program

### Plant Industry Division

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#### Application for Direct Marketing of Poultry Eggs Questionnaire

Nevada Department of Agriculture (NDA) regulations describe requirements for grades and labeling of eggs. Health departments typically regulate the safe handling of eggs and may require an additional permit or other licensing for you to sell your eggs. Please contact your local health department for information about these additional requirements.

Producers who want to sell shell eggs (domestic fowl) need to obtain a producer certificate and must complete the following questionnaire, which will need to be submitted with the application for a producer certificate. The information contained in this questionnaire will be verified with an on-farm inspection performed by the NDA.

If you have any questions, please refer to the handout *Selling Farm Fresh Eggs in Nevada FAQ* which can be downloaded from our website at [agri.nv.gov](http://agri.nv.gov). If you cannot find your answer there, please call us at 775-353-3669.

#### Required Information

The questions listed below are required to be answered before the inspection is performed.

1. How are the eggs handled?

If other:

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2. If you wash your eggs, what is the temperature of the water used for washing and rinsing the eggs?

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3. Do you use a sanitizer to clean your eggs?  Yes  No

If you selected yes, please answer the following:

What do you use and at what concentration?

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How do you use this sanitizer?

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4. Where will the eggs be stored?

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- 5. At what temperature will the eggs be stored?  
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- 6. The quality grade(s) at which my eggs will be sold is/are:
  
- 7. Do you candle your eggs?  Yes  No
  
- 8. Which method do you use to candle your eggs?  
If other:  
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- 9. Have you included instructions specifying safe handling on your cartons, flats or other signage?  Yes  No
  
- 10. Is there a pack date or sell by date on your cartons, flats or other signage? (The sell by date is 30 days from packing, including the packing date.)  Yes  No
  
- 11. Is the grade shown on the carton, flats or other signage?  Yes  No
  
- 12. Is the size of the eggs shown on the carton, flat or other signage?  Yes  No
  
- 13. Are your farm name, address and zip code on the label?  Yes  No
  
- 14. Eggs sold at farmer's markets must be maintained between 41- 45 degrees Fahrenheit at the point of sale. If you plan to sell at farmer's markets, how will you assure that eggs are kept at that temperature?  
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**Optional Information**

- 1. List the number of birds and breed(s) in your flock.  
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- 2. What do you feed your birds?  
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3. How are the birds housed?  
If other:

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4. How often are eggs collected?  
If other:

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5. Do you record the number of eggs collected each day?  Yes  No  
If you answered "No," are you looking to develop a record keeping system that will record the number of eggs collected each day?  Yes  No

6. What is the average number of eggs you collect each day?

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7. Do you issue sales receipts that include the date of sale and where sold?      Yes      No

*This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ has been notified of the requirements for grading and sale of eggs in Nevada, and that the above person has responded accurately and truthfully to the statements of this document.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Inspector

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Attach this complete questionnaire to your producer certificate application and fee (if applicable). Upon completion and receipt of payment, we will process your paperwork within 1-2 business weeks and schedule an inspection.

**Send to:**  
Nevada Department of Agriculture  
Attn: Producer Certificate  
405 South 21st Street  
Sparks, NV 89431