Federal Purchase Program Specification Procedures for Certification of Hard Cooked Eggs

I. Responsibility

USDA, AMS graders (grader) must read the Federal Purchase Program Specification (FPPS) for Refrigerated, Fully Cooked, Peeled Hard Cooked Eggs and this procedure carefully and note the items that must be observed and documented during processing, sampling, packaging, packing, labeling, check-loading, and shipping for certification purposes.

Additionally, the grader must note the pre-certification requirements for the processor and for product eligibility under this FPPS.

Only the USDA, AMS Contracting Officer has the authority to issue a waiver to the requirements of the FPPS for Hard Cooked Eggs. Graders will not proceed with certification until their supervisor has reviewed the FPPS requirements and this procedure with them.

The following materials are referenced throughout the FPPS and will be used during the certification process:

- AMS Master Solicitation for Commodity Procurements
- 7 CFR 56: Regulations Governing the Voluntary Grading of Shell Eggs
- QAD 600 Policies and Procedures
- 7 CFR 42: Standards for Condition of Food Containers
- AMS Publication, "Visual Aids for Inspection of Rigid and Semi-rigid Containers"
- 21 CFR 160: Eggs and Egg Products
- 21 CFR 117: Current Good Manufacturing Practice, Hazard Analysis, and Risk-Based Preventive Controls for Human Food
- 21 CFR 118: Production, Storage, and Transportation of Shell Eggs

II. General Requirements

A. Pre-Certification

A copy of the Purchase Order (**Exhibit I**) will be sent to each grader stationed at a plant that successfully bids and is awarded a contract under the current Announcement. Upon receipt of the Purchase Order, the grader will contact management and review the proposed production, labeling, packaging, packing materials and check-loading procedures for their plant.



B. Food Defense Plan

Each contractor and subcontractor must have a documented food defense plan that has been audited and approved by AMS, QAD on file. QAD auditors or supervisors will conduct audit(s) verifying the contractor's and subcontractor's Food Defense Plan. Verification of the food defense audit requirement can be accomplished by maintaining a copy of the signed, currently approved, audit cover page only. (QAD 1032A) (Exhibit II)

THE CONTRACTOR'S FOOD DEFENSE PLAN IS CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION AND WILL NOT BE COPIED OR KEPT ON FILE BY THE GRADER.

C. Domestic Origin

All commodity specifications require USDA purchased commodities be of domestic origin. The contractor must supply the grader with a Domestic Origin Certificate (**Exhibit III**) for each contract. Verification of segregation plans will only be necessary after QAD personnel are notified by the National Office of non-domestic eggs at their plant.

Graders must maintain the *Domestic Origin Certificate* and the LP-210S: *Shell Egg Grading Certificate*.

D. Marketing Claims

The grader must verify all marketing claims, statements, or symbols to ensure they are factual, verifiable, and truthful before allowing commodity hard cook eggs to be packed. The grader must be able to review documentation from the supplier plant indicating the eggs meet all requirements of the marketing claim(s).

E. Grading Equipment

All equipment used for the certification of hard cooked eggs (i.e., thermometers, scales, metal detectors, etc.) must be properly maintained and calibrated before each production shift. Graders must follow the applicable 600 series procedure for proper calibration and testing of equipment. If the procedure differs between poultry and red meat, procedures for poultry will be followed.

F. Sample Verification Frequency

All egg products and further processed egg products certified for the FPPS for Hard Cooked Eggs will use the following sampling frequency, unless otherwise detailed.

Product must be selected or observed within a random time interval. The time interval between samples may vary between 10 and 90 minutes and must average 1 or more samples per hour of production. Within these limits, graders must sample frequently enough to maintain awareness of the product quality and ensure products within accepted lots are in compliance with the applicable FPPS.



G. Shell Egg Requirements

- 1. Shell eggs must be, U.S. Grade AA or A Medium, as outlined in the <u>United States</u> Standards, Grades, and Weight Classes for Shell Eggs (AMS 56).
- 2. All shell eggs used for the FPPS for hard cooked eggs must be covered by a LP-210S: *Shell Egg Grading Certificate* stating the U.S. grade and size. The LP-210S must include remarks that the eggs are of domestic origin and processed in plants with a current approved Food Defense Audit on file.
- 3. Tempering at room temperature is allowed prior to cooking and must not exceed 144 hours (6 days).
- 4. Shell eggs must be maintained at a maximum 45°F ambient temperature prior to tempering.

If the plant processes shell eggs that do not meet the FPPS requirements for hard cooked eggs, the plant must have a segregation plan to ensure only shell eggs that meet the requirements are used for the FPPS. USDA will verify segregation continually. Any deviations noted will result in the rejection of the lot (back to the last acceptable sample) for FPPS use.

H. Processing

Graders must verify the peeled, hard cooked eggs are processed, cooked, and packaged in a continuous process that complies with the time and temperature requirements of the FPPS; and processors are accurately formulating, including brining solutions, according to their documented Standard Operating Procedures (SOP).

1. Cooking

During cooking operations eggs are to be cooked to an internal temperature of 165°F.

Verification must be completed by monitoring cooking water temperatures and dwell times as stated in the plant's cooking SOP in combination with satisfactory yolk color and internal texture assessments.

2. Peeling Defects

Hard cooked eggs must be peeled in a manner that ensures the complete removal of the shell and shell membranes from adhering to the egg albumen and does not cause damage to the outer albumen layer. Refer to the *Hard Cooked Egg Defect Guide* (Exhibit XI) for acceptable albumen defect tolerances.

Peeled eggs must be free from shell material and moderate or server damage. Each egg having damage to the albumen including large scratches, cuts, and tears and/or shell material on the albumen must be recorded as a defect on the LP-232 SP-L2 (Exhibit IV).



3. Brining

Cooked eggs that are brined in a microbial brine must be maintained at a temperature not to exceed 45°F for no more than 48 hours prior to packaging. Brine formulation is the responsibility of the processor but must be consistent for all lots. When brine is formulated and mixed on site, graders must monitor that the ingredients do not deviate more than 0.5% from the plant's stated formulation.

Graders must monitor brining times for each lot by recording the time brining began and when the brined product was packed and packaged. Lots of product exceeding the brine time limit are not eligible for FPPS product.

4. Appearance

Cooked eggs must be white with no off coloring. The egg must be free of internal defects such as large spots (blood, meat spots). The yolk must be a consistent shade of yellow throughout with no grey or greenish coloring on the yolk surface. Refer to the *Hard Cooked Egg Defect Guide* (Exhibit XI) for acceptable color range and defects for appearance. Defects observed such as undercooking, overcooking, or large blood spots exceeding 1/8 inch in diameter will be assessed as (S) satisfactory or (U) unsatisfactory and recorded on the LP-232 SP-L2. Any unsatisfactory finding will result in retention of the lot represented by the sample.

Small blood spots 1/8 inch in diameter or smaller must be recorded as a defect on the LP-232 SP-L2.

When Kosher statements or symbols on finished product packing and/or packaging materials are observed, that indicates no tolerance for blood spots. The grader must record each defect as (S) satisfactory or (U) unsatisfactory on the LP-232 SP-L2. Any unsatisfactory finding will result in retention of the lot represented by the sample.

5. Organoleptic

Egg must be the primary ingredient and other ingredients used have a natural egg flavor and must be suitable for institutional food systems and prohibit microbial growth during packaging and storage.

Eggs must have a natural egg flavor profile and must not exhibit off flavors or odors. The eggs must not exhibit a rubbery (overcooked) or gelatinous (undercooked) mouthfeel.

Eggs must be free from foreign material (i.e., metal, plastic) and any adulteration including contamination.

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Organoleptic defects will be assessed as (S) satisfactory or (U) unsatisfactory and recorded on the LP-232 SP-L2. Any unsatisfactory finding will result in retention of the lot represented by the sample.

I. Metal Detection

The use of metal detection is not required for the hard-cooked egg FPPS; however, facilities are required to have a process to mitigate foreign material contamination. If metal detectors are used, they must be properly functioning. Procedures and sensitivity levels for metal detection are outlined in OAD 609 Procedure: *Metal Detection*.

J. Microbial Testing

The contractor must have a documented plan to comply with U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) guidance and requirements for Salmonella and Listeria monocytogenes in egg products and ready-to-eat foods (21 CFR 117). Graders must be present during sample selection for microbial testing and monitor lab analysis results.

Graders must ensure each production day that any product that test positive for any pathogens are not being used in any USDA commodity products. The contractor will provide the grader with test results from the laboratory.

If the grader discovers positive lots have been used in USDA commodity products, all affected product will be rejected, the grader will immediately contact their supervisor, and document product lot codes, amount, and positive test dates/lots.

K. Net Contents

Graders must examine case contents online during production and/or when performing lot examinations prior to shipment. Each load must consist of:

• 1,709 cases containing 24 packs of 6 eggs per case.

There is no tolerance for cases missing packs or packs consisting of less than 6 eggs.

One case must be examined for net contents per sampling period. Graders will retain back to the last acceptable sample, during online examinations, when cases do not meet the net contents requirement.

L. Net Weights

Graders will verify all eggs hard cooked for the FFPS are medium eggs and are accompanied with a LP-210S certifying the eggs.

No net weight verifications will be conducted by the grader at the hard cooking facility.



M. Labeling Requirements

Each individual package and shipping container must be commercially labeled in accordance with FDA requirements.

1. Label Types Allowed

Commercial labels must be the processor's own commercial label. Distributors' labels will not be allowed. If a question arises as to whether a label is a processor's own label or that of a distributor, the grader will contact their supervisor for guidance.

All product within a purchase unit must be packaged in the same packaging and packing materials, with one label format.

2. Traceability of Product

The processor must establish a product identification and record system that clearly links product by place and date/time of processing to specific USDA contracts and destinations. When the processor uses the same commercial label for certified FPPS product and commercial product, the identification system must differentiate between USDA FPPS product and commercial product. An authorized alpha-numeric code may be used to distinguish the FPPS product in this case.

The required product identification and record system, including codes, must be reviewed by the grader or supervisor before production begins for the contract(s). A detailed explanation of the identification and tracking system is to be provided by the plant. Any changes to the product identification and record system must be submitted to the grader and/or supervisor for review prior to implementation.

N. Packaging and Packing Examinations

As indicated in the FPPS, the contractor must provide the grader with a letter certifying that all packaging (pouches), packing (cases), and marking materials comply with the requirements of the FPPS (Exhibit V). This certification letter must be presented on processor letterhead and be signed by a person authorized by the contractor. One certification letter is adequate for each Purchase Order.

1. Tamper-Evident

To meet the requirements of the FPPS, the packaging and packing material must be "tamper evident." Tamper-evident is defined as packaging or packing materials with one or more indicators or barriers to entry, which, if breached or missing, can reasonably be expected to provide visible evidence that tampering has occurred. Examples include damage to the box from tape being removed, or a hole in the plastic bag from it being torn or cut open, that would



be obvious to a person inspecting the product. Determination of whether the material meets these requirements may be made by the supervisor.

2. Lot inspections at time of shipment

i. Packaging

As an alternative to online examination, packaging examination for cuts, tears, holes, improper closure, excess moisture, dirty, smeared, or stained areas affecting primary containers can be performed at time of shipment. The criteria listed on the QAD 617A (Exhibit VI) worksheet (previously PY-110) must be used in checking the primary containers for the above listed items.

ii. Packing

As an alternative to online examination, shipping containers can be examined for condition, labeling, and markings at time of shipment. The criteria listed on the QAD 617A (Exhibit VI) worksheet will be used in checking the shipping containers for the above listed items. The manuals, "Visual Aids for Inspection of Rigid and Semi-rigid Containers," and "Condition of Food Container Manual," will be used as references for interpreting and applying the standards listed on the QAD 617A worksheet. Prior to sample selection, each lot is to undergo a preliminary inspection (scanning) to identify obviously damaged containers. When damaged containers are encountered, the lot is to be retained until the containers have been removed and replaced. Initial sampling may not proceed until the lot has been reworked.

3. Online Examination

On-line packaging and packing verification procedures are outlined in QAD 617. AQL checks for packaging and packing examinations are recorded on the backside of the LP-232-L2.

O. Official Identification of Cases

Prior to shipment, each case of product eligible for delivery must be officially identified with the USDA Inspected for Contract Compliance Stamp bearing the applicable certificate number. When previously approved by the National Office, computer generated stamps may be used on case labels.

Any product bearing the contract compliance stamp that has been rejected for not meeting FPPS requirements must have the official identification removed/obliterated from the shipping container.

P. Unitization - Product Palletization

Each delivery unit of commodity product shipped by truck must be unitized (palletized and stretch wrapped). Pallets must be in new or well-maintained condition and product must be stacked to minimize overhang of the shipping containers over the edges of the pallet. At time of shipment, graders

must examine each unitized pallet to ensure that all outside cases are oriented with the label facing outward and that all containers are held firmly in place. If any containers need to be reoriented, the pallet must be rewrapped and resubmitted for acceptance.

Q. Grader Check Loading

When the grader check loading option is requested, graders must inspect each load and observe loading prior to shipping to ensure each load meets FPPS requirements.

Trailers that are damaged (affecting usability), dirty, have foreign odors, or exhibit signs of rodent or insect infestation must not be used unless satisfactory corrective actions are made. All shipments must be loaded on trailers that are equipped with working refrigeration units. The grader must ensure that the refrigeration unit is producing cool air before and after loading (include a statement on the LP-211). The grader must personally prepare the load and tally diagram on the LP-211 *Reverse*, listing the total number of individual shipping containers, number of pallets of product, and number of containers on each pallet. (Exhibit VII)

There is no variation allowed in the boxes of finished product per purchase unit. If a processor wants an exception to this requirement, they must request a contract waiver from the USDA Contracting Officer. This waiver must be presented to the grader prior to issuance of the grading certificate covering product shipment.

R. Seals

All delivery units must be secured with serially numbered, tamper evident, barrier-type seals. The contractor is responsible for providing all seals and recording on each shipping document (bill of lading, shipment manifest, or other delivery document) the applicable seal number to be applied at each delivery destination. In the case of a multiple delivery shipments, the contractor is responsible for ensuring seals are in place at time of delivery.

S. Certificate Preparation

The initial seal number(s) used to seal the trailer at origin must be recorded on the LP-210S: *Shell Egg Grading Certificate* (**Exhibit VIII**) in the "Remarks" section. The "Additional Certification" section will read:

Product represented by this certificate meets specification requirements for:

"Federal Purchase Program Specification (FPPS) for Refrigerated, Fully Cooked, Peeled, Hard Cooked Eggs Dated April 2023."

Additionally, the following statement must appear in the "Remarks" section:

"The number of containers shown above was counted by the official grader."



Certificates along with all supporting documentation must be filed for the appropriate retention period.

T. Late Deliveries

When a plant fails to meet delivery schedules as listed on the Sales Order/Item Number, the grader is to notify their supervisor by phone/email using the "Report of Late Delivery Announcement" form (Exhibit IX). The supervisor will contact the Regional Office who will subsequently provide the information to the National Shell Egg Office. The information provided will include type of product, name of processor, purchase order, sales order, item number, delivery period, projected dates of delivery, and reason for delay. When production of the late load is completed and shipped, the grader is to notify the supervisor and the Regional Office that the product has, in fact, been produced and shipped. The form used for late delivery notification may be used again to inform the Regional Office that the product has subsequently been produced and shipped. Dates of production and shipment of the late load are to be recorded on the form.

U. Split Delivery Shipments

For some purchase units, the same Sales Order number may have two item numbers, each with a specified quantity of cases to be delivered to each destination. (**Exhibit X**) At time of shipment, contractors must provide the grader the number of boxes for each destination. Distinct separation of product on the load by drop point is not required. Correct box count at each drop point will be the responsibility of the contractor and the recipient agency.

Graders will show the total number of boxes to be delivered to each drop point in the remarks section of the certificate. The grader will send two copies of the grading certificate with the load.

As an option, contractors may elect to ship split deliveries on two separate trucks, provided both shipments represent the cumulative quantity stated on the Sales Order/Item Number. <u>If this option is used, an original certificate, with applicable shipping examination documents as outlined in above section must be issued for each delivery.</u>

Exhibits:

Exhibit I: Destination Contract Abstract (Purchase Order)

Exhibit II: Food Defense Plan Certification

Exhibit III: Domestic Origin Certificate

Exhibit IV: LP-232-L2

Exhibit V: Packing and Packaging Certification Letter Example

Exhibit VI: QAD 617A: Packaging Defects Worksheet



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Exhibit VII: LP-211: Poultry Products Grading Memorandum

Exhibit VIII: LP-210S

Exhibit IX: Report of Late Delivery

Exhibit X: LP-210S for Split Load Delivery

Exhibit XI: Hard Cooked Egg Defect Guide

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Supplier:

1400 Independence Avenue, S.W. Room 3522-S, STOP 0239 Washington, DC 20036 Purchase order

Description: 12-3J14-18-P-0336
Purchase order number: 4100014080

Date: 11/17/2017

Contracting Officer: Jeffrey Jackson Purchasing Group: AMS Poultry

Purchase Order Domestic Commodity

Supplier Plant Address:

Vendor Shipping Point Address SONSTEGARD/SUNRISE FARM-HARRIS

SONSTEGARD FOODS COMPANY SONSTEGARD/SUNRISE FARM-HARRIS IA IA

5005 S BUR OAK PL 2060 WHITE AVE 2060 WHITE AVE

 SIOUX FALLS, SD-57108-2228(US)
 HARRIS, IA -51345-7549(US)
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 Phone: 605-338-4642
 Phone: 000-000-0000
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 Email: slarson@sonstegard.com
 Email: ASK@FOR.EMAIL
 Email: ASK@FOR.EMAIL

Purchase Order Header
PO Scenario: Standard
Award Type: Definite Delivery

Solicitation Number: 2000005053

Solicitation Description:12-3J14-18-S-0048

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		Phone: 504-729-2848			
2	100936-HARD COOKED EGGS	02/16/2018-02/28/2018	1,709.000 CS	33,750.000 LB	1,709.00 USD/100 CS
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BATO	N ROUGE,LA-70806(US)	NEW ORLEANS,LA-7012	3-3167(US)		
		Phone: 504-729-2848			
3	100936-HARD COOKED EGGS	03/16/2018-03/31/2018	375.000 CS	8,437.500 LB	1.709.00 USD/100 CS
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Goods Recipient: Ship-to Address:

MA Dept. of Education WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS FOOD

75 Pleasant Street BANK

MALDEN,MA-02148-5089(US) 97 NORTH HATFIELD ROAD

HATFIELD,MA-01038(US) Phone: 413-247-9738

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FOOD DEFENSE VERIFICATION PROGRAM MEAT, POULTRY, EGG AND FISH PRODUCTS PROCESSING	G PLANT CHECKLIST									
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Facility Phone Number: 800-867-5309	Facility Contact Person: Shelly Doe Name:									
Auditor's Name: Shelly Doe	Title: Complex Manager Email: ShellyD@lolol.mail									
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Clear Form

DOMESTIC ORIGIN CERTIFICATION

For Shell Eggs

This form must be completed by an authorized company official or their designee for each contract/purchase order delivery awarded. The completed form must be presented to an AMS representative at the processing facility, and the Contracting Officer or agent thereof upon request. *If imported product is brought into the facility during the production and shipment of product for this contract, it is the contractor's responsibility to notify the applicable certification Division*. Each processing plant producing product under this contract must have a copy of this form on file.

Solicitation Number:
Contract/Purchase Order Number:
Product:
Does your company process or handle products originating from sources other than the United States, its territories or possessions, Puerto Rico, or the Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands?
YES If yes, a copy of your segregation plan must be on file.
□ NO
Do any of your Subcontractor/Suppliers process or handle products originating from sources other than the Unites States, its territories or possessions, Puerto Rico, or the Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands?
YES If yes, a copy of their segregation plan must be on file.
□ NO
I certify under penalty of law that all products sold to the Department of Agriculture are of 100 percent domestic origin and that all above statements are true. I further certify that traceability documentation will be made available to USDA, AMS representatives upon request. WARNING: 18 U.S.C. Part 1, Chapter 47, Section 1001 states that "Except as otherwise provided in this section, whoever, in any manner within the jurisdiction of the executive, legislative, or judicial branch of the Government of the United States, knowingly and willingly (1) falsifies, conceals, or covers up by any trick, scheme, or devise a material fact: (2) makes any materially false writing or document knowing the same to contain materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or entry; shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 5 years, or both.
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Hard Cooked Egg Processing Co.

1234 County Road 87, Yourtown, MD 12345

To whom it may concern:

"(I)(We) certify that the packaging, packing, and marking materials used for any commodity presented for acceptance under the terms of the Federal Purchase Program Specification (FPPS) for Hard Cooked Eggs dated April 2023 comply or shall comply with the terms of the FPPS.

Name Jon Sunshine Title General Manager

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Dirty, stained, or smeared container.	MINOR		WET OR DAMP (b) Materially affecting usability.		
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(b) Materially affecting usability	MAJOR		(a) Missing.	MINOR	
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Loose or improperly applied.	MINOR		Incorrect.		
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE

AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE Livestock and Poultry Program

SHELL EGG GRADING CERTIFICATE

This certificate is receivable in all courts of the United States as prima facie evidence of the truth of the statements therein contained. This certificate does not excuse failure to comply with any of the laws and regulations enforced by the United States Department of Agriculture.

OMB APPROVED: NO. 0581-0128
CERTIFICATE NO.
SEA- 1234567

PLACE EXAMINED

City, State
PLANT NUMBER

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CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

In compliance with the Regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture Governing the Grading of Shell Eggs issued pursuant to the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, as amended, and any other Act of Congress conferring like authority, it is certified that the product(s) listed hereon were examined and that the class, quality, quantity, and/ or condition of the product(s) at the time and on the date shown, were as stated above.

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OFFICIAL GRADER (Printed Name & Signature)

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INSPECTED FOR

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CONTRACT COMPLIANCE

1/ As stated by applicant or contractor. 2/ Weights based on 30-dozen equivalent. 3/ Eggs reported as undersized are also reported under other headings according to their quality.

REPORT OF LATE DELIVERY





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ACTUAL PRODUCTION DATE:
ACTUAL SHIPPING DATE:
REASON(S) FOR DELAY:

(See reverse side of form for OMB and EEO Statement)

OMB APPROVED: NO. 0581-0128



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OFFICIAL GRADER (Printed Name & Sig 2/ Weights based on 30-dozen equivalent.

Hard Cooked Egg Defect Guide

Ideal Yolks

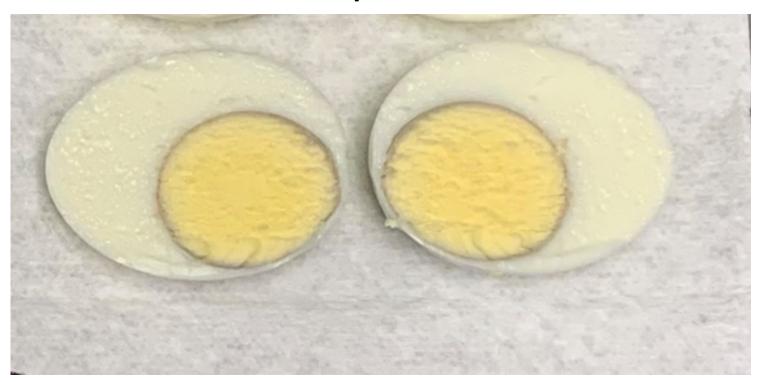


Description: Eggs are within the acceptable color range, properly cooked, have no out-of-range albumen or yolk imperfections, and contain no blood or meat spots.

Determination: Satisfactory eggs.

Action: No Action.

Yolk Imperfections

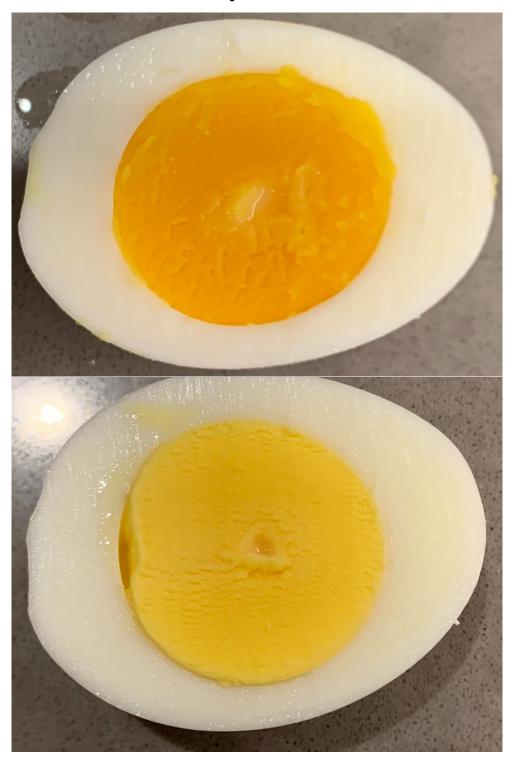


Description: Egg are overcooked displaying a green ring around the yolk.

Determination: Unsatisfactory egg.

Action: Retain product back to the last acceptable sample.

Yolk Imperfections



Description: Eggs are undercooked.

Determination: Unsatisfactory eggs.

Action: Retain product back to the last

acceptable sample.

Yolk Imperfections





Description: Abnormal yoke color

Determination: Unsatisfactory eggs.

Ideal Albumen



Description: Albumen containing no defects.

Determination: Satisfactory egg.

Action: No Action.



Description: Egg has a minor exterior quality imperfection.

Determination: Satisfactory egg.

Action: No Action.



Borderline Satisfactory

Borderline Unsatisfactory



Borderline Satisfactory

Borderline Unsatisfactory

Description: The eggs on the left are borderline satisfactory and the eggs on the right are borderline unsatisfactory.

Determination:

Eggs on the left are satisfactory.
Eggs on the right are unsatisfactory.

Action: Record unsatisfactory eggs as a defect on the LP-232 SP-L2.



Description: Eggs damaged during handling/processing.

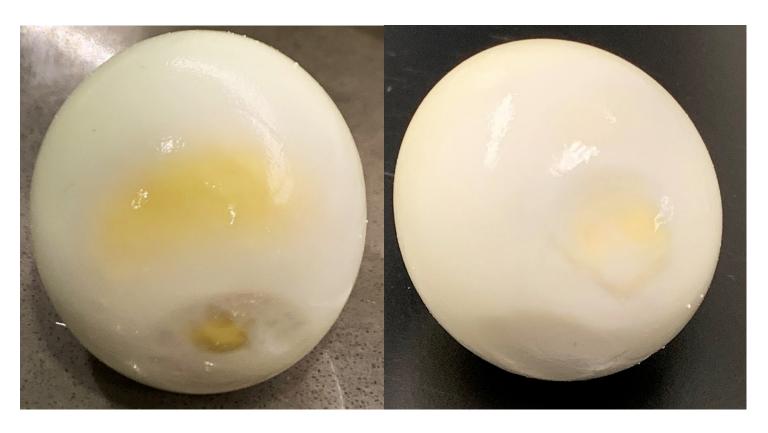
Determination: Unsatisfactory eggs.



Description: Egg has minor indention on the outer albumen due to air cell.

Determination: Satisfactory egg.

Action: None.



Description: Poor quality albumen causing off centered yolks.

Determination: Unsatisfactory eggs.



Description: Albumen indentation caused from cracked shell during handling/processing.

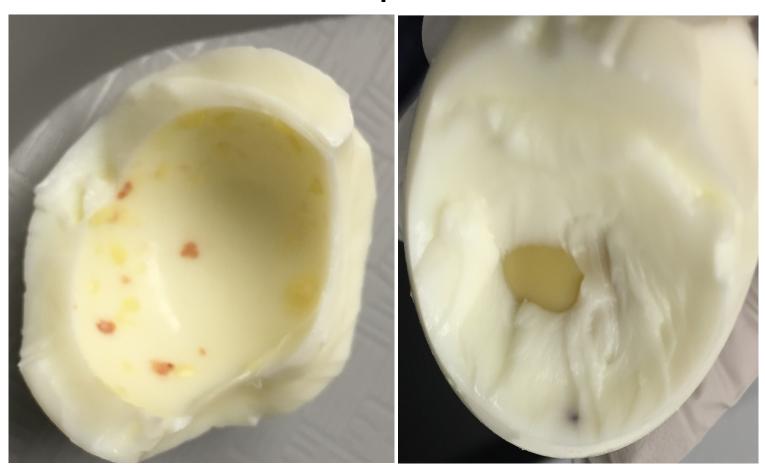
Determination: Unsatisfactory egg.



Description: Exterior shell pieces lodged within/beneath the albumen layer.

Determination: Unsatisfactory eggs.

Interior Imperfections



Description: Eggs having blood and/or meat spots.

Determination: Unsatisfactory eggs.

Action: Record as a defect on the LP-232 SP-L2 when blood and meat spots are 1/8" inch or smaller. When blood and meat spots exceed 1/8" inch, the sample is rejected.

Additional information:

Kosher – No blood or meat spots are allowed in kosher identified product.