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Definitions

1 In this Regulation,

(a) “approved hatchery supply flock” means a flock of poultry that is a primary breeding flock or a flock descended from a primary breeding flock and is approved as an approved hatchery supply flock under this Regulation;

(b) “approved laboratory” means an establishment or a vehicle approved by the Minister for use in carrying out examinations of poultry, poultry products or poultry by-products;

(c) “chick” means poultry 30 days old or less;

(d) “Department” means the Department of Agriculture and Forestry;

(e) “game bird” means domesticated game birds that are in captivity, such as pheasant, partridge, quail, grouse, guinea fowl and pea fowl, but does not include doves, pigeons, ducks, geese, psittacine and song birds;
(f) “multiplier breeding flock” means a flock of poultry composed of the first generation of a primary breeding flock and used to produce poultry for commercial use;

(g) “poultry” means domestic or wild fowl;

(h) “primary breeding flock” means a flock of poultry composed of one or more generations that is maintained for the purpose of establishing, continuing and improving parent lines and from which multiplier breeding flocks may be produced.

Approval of flocks

2(1) The owner of chicks intended for use in a primary breeding flock or a multiplier breeding flock must use a form approved by the Minister to apply to have the flock approved by the Minister as an approved hatchery supply flock.

(2) A flock of poultry in Alberta may be approved by the Minister as an approved hatchery supply flock if

(a) the building in which the flock is housed is separate from other buildings and constructed to provide sufficient nesting space and a suitable environment under all climatic conditions,

(b) the house and equipment are kept in good repair and kept in a clean and sanitary condition at all times,

(c) poultry in a primary breeding flock are blood tested annually for pullorum-typhoid,

(d) poultry in a multiplier flock are monitored in each year by means of laboratory examinations, and

(e) poultry kept for other commercial purposes are kept separate from the flock.

(3) No flock shall be approved as an approved hatchery supply flock unless all the applicable fees have been paid.

(4) No flock over 30 days of age shall be approved under this section.

Cancellation and suspension of approval

3 The approval granted under section 2 may be cancelled or suspended by the Minister for all or any of the following reasons:
(a) transfer of an approved hatchery supply flock to premises not approved by the Minister;

(b) failure to carry out recommendations of an inspector;

(c) failure to comply with the conditions referred to in section 2(2);

(d) addition of non-approved poultry to an approved hatchery supply flock without the consent of the Minister.

Segregation of breeds, etc.

4 If more than one breed, strain or age of poultry is approved under section 2 on any premises, each breed, strain or age must be segregated to the satisfaction of the inspector in charge of the district.

Disease

5(1) In the case of an outbreak of any infectious or contagious disease in an approved hatchery supply flock, the owner must notify the Department’s manager of poultry programs immediately and comply with all instructions issued by that person for the purpose of controlling the outbreak.

(2) An inspector may carry out or authorize any tests of poultry that the inspector considers advisable to identify or control diseases in an approved hatchery supply flock.

Prohibition

6 No person shall keep a chicken, turkey or game bird on the same premises as an approved hatchery supply flock unless the chicken, turkey or game bird has been tested serologically and found free of Salmonella pullorum and Salmonella gallinarum or has come directly from a hatchery.

Repeals

7 The following regulations are repealed:

   (a) Hatchery Supply Flock Approval Regulation (AR 394/86);

   (b) Hatchery Fees Regulation (AR 434/91);

   (c) Purchase, Grading and Sale of Dressed Eviscerated Poultry Regulation (AR 257/79);

   (d) Production and Sale of Chicks and Poults Regulation (AR 395/86).
8 Repealed AR 35/2018 s4.

Coming into force

9 This Regulation comes into force on January 1, 1998.

Schedule  Repealed AR 35/2018 s5.