

September 22, 2022

VIA EMAIL

Dear Hatching Egg Stakeholders,

**RE: HATCHERY CRITERIA AMENDING ORDER DECISION FOR HATCHERIES THROUGHPUTTING
REGULARIZED PRODUCER CHICK QUOTA**

On August 12, 2022, the BC Broiler Hatching Egg Commission (the Commission) advised stakeholders that they were considering an amendment to the Hatchery Criteria Amending Order concerning the volume criteria for specialty hatcheries. That letter outlining the rationale for the potential amendment is attached for your convenience.

The Commission received no objections to the proposed amendment. The sole submission received in response concerned other issues to which the Commission will respond under separate cover.

This amendment maintains the Commission's original objective to codify new hatchery criteria while responding to the distinct requirements for establishing and operating specialty hatcheries. It supports the Commission's strategic objective of integrating regularized producers and specialty hatcheries into a successful and effective regulated BC specialty sector.

This letter is to serve notice that the Commission approved the amendment with the same delayed effective date of December 31, 2022. Additionally, this letter serves as a second reminder, first reminder also attached, for current hatchery licensees to contact Commission staff should they require information and assistance in ensuring they can meet the new hatchery licensing criteria. Given the December 31, 2022, expiry date of the one-year transition period and that Commission approval is needed for 2023 licenses, it is important that any such requests be made on a timely basis.

Regards,



Stephanie Nelson, Executive Director
BC Broiler Hatching Egg Commission

Attachments

cc: Commission Website

**AMENDING ORDER 16
TO THE
CONSOLIDATED ORDER OF JANUARY 1, 2021**

**MADE BY
THE BRITISH COLUMBIA BROILER HATCHING EGG COMMISSION
ON SEPTEMBER 16, 2022**

The British Columbia Broiler Hatching Egg Commission orders as follows:

1. *Subsection 6(a) of the Consolidated Order of January 1, 2021 is replaced with the following:*
 - (a) own and maintain a facility for the hatching and incubation of Broiler Hatching Eggs into broiler chicks for delivery to a Grower, with sufficient minimum capacity to accommodate:
 - (i) all Marketable Eggs produced by 15,000 broiler breeders at peak production, where the facility receives any number of Broiler Hatching Eggs produced other than under Regularized Producer Chick Quota; or
 - (ii) all Marketable Eggs produced by 5,000 broiler breeders at peak production, where the facility only receives Broiler Hatching Eggs produced under Regularized Producer Chick Quota.


2. *Subsection 6.1(a) of the Consolidated Order of January 1, 2021 is replaced with the following:*
 - (a) own and maintain a facility for the hatching and incubation of Broiler Hatching Eggs into broiler chicks for delivery to a Grower, with sufficient minimum capacity to accommodate:
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- (ii) all Marketable Eggs produced by the affiliated Producer or Producers at peak production.

3. *This Order comes into effect on December 31, 2022.*

DATED at Abbotsford, British Columbia, on September 16, 2022

BRITISH COLUMBIA BROILER HATCHING EGG COMMISSION


Jim Collins, Chair

August 12, 2022

VIA EMAIL

Dear Hatching Egg Stakeholders,

RE: HATCHERY CRITERIA AMENDING ORDER DECISION AMENDMENT RE REGULARIZED PRODUCER CHICK QUOTA

On December 22, 2021, the BC Broiler Hatching Egg Commission (the Commission) issued its Hatchery Criteria Amending Order Decision to all BC Hatching Egg Stakeholders. Within that decision is a delayed effective date of December 31, 2022. The delay was to ensure the Commission allowed current and then existing applicant hatchery licensees to hold a 2022 license during a transition period which will require them to meet the new criteria for 2023. All 2022 applications received have been processed and issued.

On March 4, 2022, a follow-up letter was distributed reminding stakeholders that:

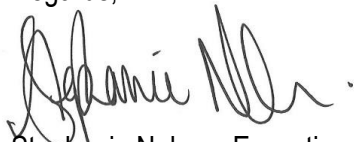
“.. should you not meet current hatchery licensing criteria and are transitioning to the updated criteria of Amending Order 10, you are welcome to contact the Commission staff and arrange a follow-up meeting to discuss your plans”.

A hatchery contacted the Commission with its specific concerns regarding the volume criteria of the Amending Order as it applies to broiler hatching eggs produced under regularized producer chick quota. Following that discussion, the Commission directed staff to review the volume component of the amending order in keeping with its statement in the December 12, 2021, decision that “(i)innovation and ensuring specialty and other marketing channels are created and sustained are all considerations for the Commission to take into account should circumstances warrant”.

The staff review determined that a lower volume of eggs could be required for a hatchery that only receives broiler hatching eggs produced under regularized producer chick quota, as they represent a smaller marketplace and a smaller portion of the provincial allocation. A draft Amending Order of this potential change is attached for stakeholder review. Within the new Amending Order, the volume criteria for a hatchery that only receives broiler hatching eggs produced under regularized producer chick quota would now be 5000 birds at peak. This figure has been established by applying similar calculations for throughput as was used for establishing the mainstream volume criteria at 15,000 birds at peak.

Please send your feedback to the Commission by September 12, 2022, as the Commission will consider and finalize this change at their regularly scheduled September Commission meeting.

Regards,



Stephanie Nelson, Executive Director
BC Broiler Hatching Egg Commission

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3. *This Order comes into effect on _____, 2022.*

DATED at Abbotsford, British Columbia, on _____, 2022

BRITISH COLUMBIA BROILER HATCHING EGG COMMISSION

Jim Collins, Chair

March 4, 2022

VIA EMAIL

Dear Hatchery Representative

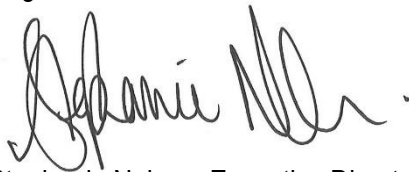
RE: HATCHERY CRITERIA AMENDING ORDER DECISION FOLLOW-UP

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This letter serves as a reminder that should you have issues about meeting the new hatchery licensing criteria of Amending Order 10; you are welcome to contact the Commission staff and arrange a follow-up meeting to discuss your concerns and potential transition plans.

Regards,



Stephanie Nelson, Executive Director
BC Broiler Hatching Egg Commission