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## Egg Food Safety Scheme **Application Guide**

### Do I have to be accredited under the egg products food safety scheme?

If you are proposing to undertake primary production or processing activities in relation to eggs you need to apply for accreditation under the Egg and Egg Products Scheme (the Egg Scheme).

### What type of accreditation do I need?

The Egg Scheme provides for the following categories of accreditation:

- Egg Processor
- Egg Producer
- Producer - Preferred Supplier Arrangement (PSA)

The following is a guide to the type of accreditation you may need to cover your egg activities.

#### **Egg Processor**

An egg processor is any person who undertakes one or more of the following activities:

- anyone who handles other people's eggs
- a business that washes, grades (including assessing for cracks) another person's eggs
- a person who pasteurises egg pulp

#### **Egg Producer**

An egg producer is any person who produces eggs for supply. A producer can do one or more of the following in relation to their own eggs:

- Grade
- Wash
- Candle
- Oil
- Pack
- Store

#### **Producer - Preferred Supplier Arrangement (PSA):**

The term 'preferred supplier arrangement' (PSA) identifies a special supply arrangement related to eggs.

The PSA allows approved egg producers to supply eggs exclusively to a single egg processor as agreed by both parties.

A producer who is operating under a PSA cannot supply eggs to anyone else other than the egg processor identified in their accreditation application and management statement.

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## Food safety program or management statement

Every application for accreditation, under the Egg Scheme, needs to be accompanied by either a Food Safety Program (FSP) or Management Statement (MS).

Generally, processing activities require an FSP and other activities can be incorporated under a MS.

An FSP or MS needs to outline all the activities you propose to undertake. SFPQ will assess your FSP or MS against the requirements of the Egg Scheme prior to issuing an accreditation.

If you are unsure of your obligations in this regard, please contact SFPQ for advice.

## Need help?

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