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Food Act 1984

ORDER EXEMPTING SMALL EGG PRODUCERS FROM REQUIREMENT FOR MARKING OF EGGS UNDER THE FOOD STANDARDS CODE

I, Adam Fennessy, Secretary of the Department of Environment and Primary Industries make the following order –

1. Purpose

The purpose of this order is to exempt small egg producers from the requirement for the marking of eggs from chickens with the producer's unique identification as required under the Food Standards Code.

2. Authorising provision

This order is made under section 5(5) of the **Food Act 1984**.

3. Commencement

This Order comes into operation on 26 November 2014.

4. Definitions

In this order –

egg has the same meaning as in Standard 4.2.5;

egg producer has the same meaning as in Standard 4.2.5;

egg processor has the same meaning as in Standard 4.2.5;

small egg producer means an egg producer who –

(a) keeps less than 50 chickens; and

(b) is not an egg processor;

Standard 4.2.5 means Standard 4.2.5 – Primary Production and Processing Standard for Eggs and Egg Product, of the Food Standards Code.

5. Exemption

A person who is a small egg producer is exempt from the requirement for the marking of each individual egg with the producer's unique identification as required under clause 10(1) of Standard 4.2.5.

Note: The order made under section 5(5) of the **Food Act 1984** on 21 November 2012 which was published in Special Government Gazette No. S 392 on 22 November 2012 provided for the exemption from the requirement for egg producers under clause 10(1), and egg processors under clause 20(1), of Standard 4.2.5 to mark eggs from chickens with their unique identifier until 25 November 2014. Egg producers with 50 chickens or more and egg processors will be required to comply with these requirements under Standard 4.2.5 from 26 November 2014.

Dated 12 September 2014

ADAM FENNESSY
Secretary

Department of Environment and Primary Industries

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