



Australian Capital Territory

Food Regulations Amendment

Subordinate Law 1999 No 18

The Australian Capital Territory Executive makes the following regulations under the *Food Act 1992*.

Dated 15 September 1999.

MICHAEL MOORE
Minister

BRENDAN SMYTH
Minister

1 Commencement

These regulations commence on the day they are notified in the *Gazette*.

2 Regulations amended

These regulations amend the *Food Regulations*.

3 Substitution

Regulation 1 is repealed and the following regulation substituted:

“1 Name of regulations

These regulations are the *Food Regulations 1994*.”.

4 Addition

After regulation 4, the following regulation is added:

“5. Sale of eggs

“(1) For section 24B of the Act, an expression in the following table is a prescribed expression, with the meaning given in the table, if it is immediately followed or preceded on the label by the word ‘egg’:

Expression	Conditions under which the hens that produced the eggs are kept
Battery cage	Hens are kept in cages— (a) without access to litter, perch or nest; and (b) in accordance with the stocking level and other requirements for cage systems under the code.
Barn	Hens are kept— (a) with the freedom and capacity to socialise, to move freely within the shed, to stretch, perch, nest, dust bathe, flap wings and fly; and (b) with adequate perching facilities and nests available to birds within the shed to accommodate the needs of all hens; and

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	(c) with half the housing kept under litter; and (d) in accordance with the stocking level and other requirements for deep litter systems on a single level under the code.
Aviary	Hens are kept in a shed— (a) with the freedom and capacity to socialise, to move freely within the shed, to stretch, perch, nest, dust bathe, flap wings and fly; and (b) with adequate perching facilities and nests available to birds on a number of levels within the shed to accommodate the needs of all hens; and (c) with half the housing kept under litter; and (d) in accordance with the stocking level and other requirements for deep litter systems under the code with the allowance of a number of additional levels of nesting and perching space.
Free range	Hens are kept— (a) with continuous day-time access to outdoor runs; and (b) with access at all times to indoor litter, perches and nests; and (c) with adequate protection at all times from predators and the elements; and (d) in accordance with the stocking level and other requirements for range systems under the code.

“(2) For section 24B of the Act, a label is conspicuous if the prescribed expression is in a standard type of at least 6 mm.

“(3) In this regulation—

code means the current *Model Code of Practice for the Welfare of Animals: Domestic Poultry*, made by the Animal Health Committee of the Standing Committee on Agriculture and Resource Management (SCARM).”.

Endnotes

Regulations amended

- 1 SL 1994 No 4 (not republished).

Notification

- 2 Notified in the *Gazette* on 16 September 1999.