Poultry Exemption Checklist | 2023



| Processing | Build or acquire an appropriate facility that meets sanitation guidelines. |
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| Facility | Slaughter operations must have an overhead structure and some manner of walls or screens throughout the bleeding, scalding and plucking process to prevent airborne contaminates, such as insects and dust. |
| | Processing operations must have an overhead structure, floor and walls made of a cleanable, impervious to moisture surface. Processing room must be temperature controlled, minimum a window unit. |
| Approved Water Source | Receive documentation that you are connected to a municipal water source, if applicable, or have well water tested by the Department of Health. |
| | A clean water supply must be provided. If the water source is not municipal, the private supply must be verified biannually that it meets local drinking water standards. |
| | A sink with hot water must be provided for hand washing and cleaning equipment. |
| Sewage | Receive documentation from local parish health authority showing approval for |
| Disposal | sanitary/domestic sewer system; |
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| Waste Disposal | Receive documentation from local trash service stating approval for disposal of offal and other waste in municipal landfill; or |
| | Submit composting or burying plan for disposal of offal and other compostable waste materials. |
| Pest Control | Have in place a pest management program to prevent the harborage and breeding of pests on the grounds and within the facilities. |
| Weigh, Pack, and Label | A certified scale must be provided since all poultry items sold in Louisiana must be sold by weight. |
| | Design and submit labels. Labels must meet the requirements of the chosen exemption. |
| | Packaging materials that contact the product must be food grade, have manufacturer approval for use and be handled in a sanitary manner. |

Please stay in contact with the Compliance Officer, as we can guide you on the necessary Poultry Exemption requirements. Submit copies of all paperwork to the Compliance Officer as well.