



POULTRY EXEMPTION OPTIONS

PROS AND CONS

**On Farm Slaughter -
Producer/Grower Less
than 1,000 (pg 9)**

**Producer/Grower
Less than 20k (pg 10)**

**P/G/Other Person (PGOP)
Less than 20k (pg 11)**

**Small Enterprise
Less than 20k (pg 13)**

Custom (pg 7)

Pros	No number limit. Further processing allowed.	Only 5 requirements (pg. 16). Further processing allowed. Can sell to grocers. Open air may be allowed.	Allows sales, distribution, further processing and Consumer/HRI sales. Further processing allowed. Can sell to grocers.	Buy live birds or grow your own, then sell to consumers. Further processing allowed.	Buy live birds or grow your own or buy dressed birds, then sell back for distribution by farmer. Can sell to grocers.
Cons	No sales. No distribution	Small limit. Your own birds only. Can't buy or sell poultry other than birds of your own raising. Can't move in interstate commerce.	Your own birds only. Distribute them yourself. Shipping container needs identification. A rented slaughter or processing unit may not be used to slaughter or process another person's poultry while it is on the renter's premises.	Your own birds. No sales to institutions, distributors or retail stores (<i>Customers - Household consumers, restaurants, hotels and boarding houses - not grocers</i>). Shipping container needs identification. Can't slaughter birds owned by someone else.	No further processing other than cut-up. Label requires more features (pg 28)
Non-Custom Plans Require	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Application for exemption with LDAF ● In-state sales only ● Records must be kept ● Sanitary production ● Sold by weight 				

REQUIRED RECORDS

Transaction Records (381.175)

Name or description of the poultry or other articles
 Net weight
 Number of outside containers
 Name and address of the buyer of the poultry or other articles sold by you
 Name and address of the seller of the poultry or other articles purchased by you
 Name and address of the consignee or receiver (if other than the buyer)
 Method of shipment
 Date of shipment
 Name and address of the carrier

Other Required Records (381.175)

Guaranties provided by suppliers of packaging materials
 Records of canning (Part 431)
 Records of irradiation (381.149)
 Records of nutrition labeling (subpart Y)
 Records of all labeling, along with the product formula, processing procedures, and any additional documentation needed to support that the labels are consistent with the Federal meat and poultry regulations and policies on labeling (412.1)

REQUIRED LABELING

< 1000 P/G and PGOP

Producer's name
 Producer's address
 "Exempt P.L. 90-492", "Exempt from Inspection" or similar
 Weight*

SMALL ENTERPRISE

Name of the product
 Ingredients statement
 Handling statement
 Safe handling instruction that complies with 381.125(b)(2)(ii)
 "Small Enterprise Exemption from Inspection" or similar
 Weight*

Name and address of the producer

*"A. Meat, poultry, fish, and seafood shall be sold by weight," LA Rev Stat §3:4615

Reference: **Guidance for Determining Whether a Poultry Slaughter or Processing Operation is Exempt from Inspection Requirements of the Poultry Products Inspection Act**