



## POULTRY EXEMPTION OPTIONS

### PROS AND CONS

|                             | Custom (pg 7)   | On Farm Slaughter -<br>Producer/Grower Less<br>than 1,000 (pg 9)  | Producer/Grower<br>Less than 20k (pg 10)   | P/G/Other Person (PGOP)<br>Less than 20k (pg 11)   | Small Enterprise<br>Less than 20k (pg 13)   |
|-----------------------------|---|---|--|--|---|
| Pros                        | No number limit. Further processing allowed.  | Only 5 requirements (pg. 9). Further processing allowed. Can sell to grocers.   | 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 commerce ( <i>leave control of processor prior to sale</i> ). | 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 14)   |
| Non-Custom Plans<br>Require | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Application for exemption with LDAF</li> <li>● In-state sales only</li> <li>● Records must be kept</li> <li>● Sanitary production</li> <li>● Sold by weight</li> </ul> |   |  |  |   |

#### 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   | PGOP  | SMALL ENTERPRISE   |
|------------------------|---|---|--|
| Must be sold by weight | Producer's name<br>Producer's address<br>"Exempt P.L. 90-492"<br>Weight | Processor's name<br>Processor's address<br>"Exempt P.L. 90-492"<br>Weight | Name of the product<br>Ingredients statement;<br>Handling statement;<br>Safe handling instruction that complies with 381.125(b)(2)(ii)<br>Date of packing<br>"Small Enterprise Exemption from Inspection" or similar<br>Weight<br>Nutrition Facts optional |

"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](#)