

Proposed Regulation of Imported Poultry Egg in Hong Kong

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In 2014, about 2.2 billion poultry egg were imported to Hong Kong

Mainland China

USA

Thailand

Malaysia

Ukraine

Others

(53%)

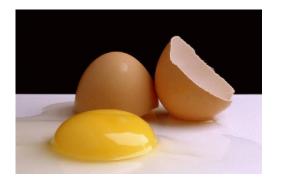
(23%)

(10%)

(7%)

(2%)

(5%)







Need for Regulatory Control

> Threat of avian influenza outbreak

World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) recommended imported poultry eggs to be accompanied with health certificate





Consultation

Consultation forums with the trade and CGs on regulation of poultry eggs were conducted in 2006, 2007, 2010, 2011, Jan and Apr 2015 respectively

The proposal was well received





To amend the Imported Game, Meat and Poultry Regulations (Chapter 132AK) to regulate the import of egg of bird belonging to the type of bird sold or offered for sale for human consumption







Scope of Regulation:

An egg of a bird belonging to a type of bird sold or offered for sale for human –

- > shelled or unshelled;
- raw or partly-cooked;
- salted, preserved or otherwise processed;
- ➤ In frozen, liquid or dried form; or
- > contains any functional ingredient





Scope of Regulation:

Excluded

- > fully-cooked; or
- constitutes one of the ingredients of a compounded food



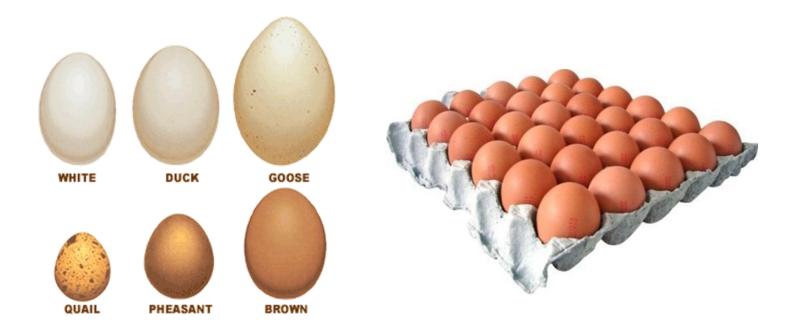


- ➤ Prior written permission from FEHD is required for import of eggs
- Every consignment of eggs to be accompanied with health certificate issued by relevant authority of the exporting country or place attesting to their fitness for human consumption





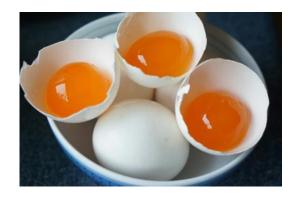
Shelled Egg







Salted Egg and Preserved Egg









Liquid Egg











Frozen Egg









Powdered Egg













Progress of Work

- Proposed regulation was published in the Gazette on June 5 and will be tabled before the Legislative Council on June 10.
- Subject to vetting by the Legislative Council, the amendment regulations will come into operation on December 5.





Thank You!



