

Free Range Egg Labelling Information Standard

I am writing to ask that the Information Standard provides consumers with certainty by:

Tightening the exceptions for providing access to the outdoor range so that access cannot be denied on a routine basis;

Including a requirement that regulators consider the following in determining what “meaningful and regular access” means:

Flock size and stocking densities inside the barn;

Size of openings relative to the number of hens;

Placement of physical structures and architecture inside the barn;

The condition of the outdoor range including providing adequate shelter, foliage and vegetation; and

The extent to which hens actually access the range.

Regards,

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