

By virtue of the power vested in me by S 11B Business Licensing Law, 5728-1968{1}, and S 22 Animal Diseases Ordinance [New Version] 5745-1985{2}, I enact these Regulations:

Chapter A: Interpretation

Definitions 1. In these Regulations -

"The Director" - the Director of the Veterinary Services or a person authorised by him for the purposes of these Regulations;

"Rules of 5728" - the rules of The Poultry Council (Regulation of Manufacture and Marketing) 5728-1968{3};

"Grading Station" - a building serving as a place for the transillumination, grading and stamping of table eggs, being a business within the meaning of item 166 of Businesses Licensing Order (Businesses Requiring Licensing), 5733-1973{4};

"Sanitary Conditions Regulations" - Businesses Licensing Regulations (Sanitary Conditions for Food Manufacturing Businesses) 5732-1972{5}.

{1} SB 5728, p. 204; 5750, p. 156

{2} SB 5745, p. 84

{3} SI 5728, p. 1862; 5754, p. 28

{4} SI 5733, p. 684; 5754, p.22

{5} SI 5732, p. 1112; 5752, p. 1210

Chapter B: Licensing

Conditions for Licensing 2. No person shall be granted a licence for a grading station, and no person shall run or operate a grading station unless he fulfills the provisions of these Regulations to the satisfaction of the Director.

Lodging of application for licence 3. The application for a business licence shall be accompanied by the undermentioned for the approval of the Director:

(1) Situational Map - plan of the surrounding area drawn to a scale of 1:1250;

(2) Drawing of the plot to a scale of 1:1250;

(3) Plans of the grading station to a scale of 1:100;

(4) Technical and sanitary specification of the grading station;

(5) List of equipment and indication of its situation on the plans of the station;

(6) Notification of annual quantity of eggs to be graded at the station.

Grant of Approval 4. The grant of approval, the refusal to grant the same, the stipulation of conditions for its being granted, its alteration or its revocation are all within the discretion

of the Director.

Renewal of Licence 5. The provisions of Regulation 3 shall apply also to an application to renew a licence unless the following conditions shall have been satisfied:

(1) Since the last approval of the business licence there have been no alterations in the particulars lodged under Regulation 3;

(2) The application is accompanied by a written declaration, signed by the applicant, that the appendices lodged under Regulation 3 for the purposes of the last application, reflect the existing position at the time of the making of the application for the renewal of the licence.

Chapter C: Buildings and Curtilage

Location and Area of Station 6. (a) A grading station shall be distanced, to the satisfaction of the Director, from all sources of smell or pollution likely adversely to affect the quality of the eggs.

(b) The area of the building of the grading stations shall not be less than -

(1) 60 square metres in the case of a station grading up to 6 million eggs per year;

(2) 100 square metres in the case of a station grading up to 10 million eggs per year;

(3) 120 square metres in the case of a station grading more than 10 million eggs per year plus 10 square metres for every additional million eggs.

Curtilage of Station 7. The curtilage of the grading station shall be fenced; the distance between the station and the perimeter fence shall not be less than five metres from each external wall of the station building; the curtilage shall be paved with a rigid material, such as concrete or asphalt, drained, clear of all scrap and other objects, clean and tidy.

Installations for Waste Washing down and Drainage 8. In the curtilage of the grading station there shall be installed, at least 30 centimetres above the ground, a sealed receptacle for waste, water taps, and arrangements for draining off water, all as the Director shall require.

Loading and Unloading Area 9. In the grading station there shall be a roofed area for unloading and loading; the area shall be constructed of rigid material, such as concrete or asphalt, and shall not be less than 6 metres in width and 10 metres in length.

Office 10. In the grading station there shall be one room set aside as for use as an office.

Room for 11. (a) In a grading station there shall be a room for
Grading and grading and storage of eggs (hereinafter - grading room),
Storage of air-conditioned to a maximum temperature of 20 degrees
Eggs celsius, constructed out of stable, rigid, insulating
 materials, such as concrete, bricks or other appropriate
 building material, excluding asbestos and wood.

(b) The internal surfaces of the walls of the grading
room shall be covered, up to a height of at least 2
metres, with a rigid, smooth material, of a light colour,
capable of easy cleaning and disinfection.

(c) The floor of the grading room shall be drained,
constructed of tiles or smooth concrete and be capable of
being easily cleaned and disinfected.

Storererooms 12. In the grading station there shall be separate
 storerooms for used or damaged packing and new packing and
 storerooms for chemical substances, items of appliances
 and spare parts required for the operation of the station;
 the storerooms shall be impervious to dust and insects.

Canteen and 13. In a grading station there shall be a canteen and
Toilets toilets and dressing rooms for the workers as set out in
 Chapter G of the Sanitary Conditions Regulations.

Refriger- 14. In a grading station there shall be a refrigerator or
ation refrigeration room, as the Director shall require
 according to the quantity of eggss being graded at the
 station; the temperature in the refrigerator or

refrigeration room shall not exceed 2 degrees celsius.

Chapter D: Equipment

Grading Machine 15. (a) In a grading station grading more than 10 million eggs per year there shall be a grading machine appropriate to the quantity of eggs graded and constructed so as to be capable of taking hold of each egg; in the machine there shall be a transillumination compartment covered on all sides by an opaque curtain and illuminated in such a way as to enable a clear view of the internal contents of the egg (hereinafter - /transillumination compartment).

(b) In a grading station, not being a grading station covered by Subregulation (a), the grading shall be carried out by means of a machine of a model suitable to the quantity of eggs being graded therein and having a transillumination compartment.

Cleaning and Handling Machines 16 (a) A grading station shall have in it a machine for the removal of dust by vacuum, having a suction capacity suitable to the size of the station and the quantity of eggs graded therein.

(b) No engine operated by combustion shall be operated within the confines of the grading station.

Bins for 17. There shall be in a grading station sealed bins for
Cracked the collection of cracked or broken eggs, in numbers
and Broken adequate to the quantity of eggs being graded therein;
Eggs these bins shall be of a material which can be easily
cleaned and disinfected.

Waste 18. In a grading station there shall be sealed bins for
Containers the collection of eggs, the marketing of which is
forbidden under Rule 14D of the Rules of 5728.

Furniture 19. The furniture and equipment in a grading station shall
and be whole, in proper condition and clean, and made of a
Equipment rigid material capable of being easily cleaned and
disinfected, which does not absorb liquid, does not peel,
and is unaffected by any substance that may come into
contact with it.

Chapter E: Lighting, Water, Sewage, Operation and Maintenance

Lighting 20. In the egg grading and packing areas in the grading
station there shall be lighting of a brightness of at
least 300 lux.

Water 21. The water entering the grading station building shall
be of the quality of drinking water.

Drinking 22. The station's worker shall have at their disposal both
Water hot and cold drinking water throughout working hours.

Waste 23. The waste pipes in the station shall be in proper
Pipes working condition and shall not leak or drip.

Cleanliness 24. The whole area of the grading station shall be kept
 clean and tidy at all times.

Animals 25. No animals shall be present in the area of the grading
 station.

Pest 26. (a) No pest control activity shall take place in a
Control grading station except by a pest control officer having a
 licence under Business Licensing Regulations (Pest
 Control), 5735-1975{6}, for that kind of control activity.

 (b) When a pest control activity has taken place in a
 grading station, a certificate stating the name of the
 control officer and his licence number, the date of the
 activity, the type and nature of the pesticide used, shall
 be retained in the station office for half a year from the
 date of the control activity.

Egg 27. The grading and storing of eggs in the grading station
Grading shall be in accordance with the provisions of Rules 14A-16
 of the Rules of 5728.

Chapter F: Workers

Number and Qualifica- tion of Workers	28. The number of workers in each station shall be as required by the Director. The workers shall be instructed by the manager of the technological department of the Poultry Council in all matters concerning grading eggs - the structure of the egg, its contents, the process of its becoming stale and the identification of defects in it.
Workers Staying Overnight	29. The staying overnight by workers in a grading station is forbidden.
Health Clothing Personal Hygiene	30. The provisions of Regulations 65 and 66 Sanitary Conditions Regulations shall apply to the health, the clothing and the personal hygiene of the workers.

Chapter G: General

Commencement	31. (a) The commencement of these Regulations, except for Regulations 6, 11 and 14, shall be four months from the date of their publication. (b) The commencement of Regulations 6, 11 and 14 shall be 1 Iyar 5755 (1 May 1995).
Transition- al Provis-	32. The Director may, at the request of the owner of a grading station, exempt him from certain of the provisions

of these Regulations, for such period as he shall direct,
if on the date that these Regulations come into force the
business has already been carried on by him in accordance
with a valid licence.

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