

# Marking and Packing of eggs in South Africa

## Background

Eggs are among the most nutritious foods on the world and according to human studies eggs contain trace nutrients that are important for health. As a result of high cost of meat consumers are constantly looking for cheaper source of protein. South Africa has requirements in place for control over the sale of eggs destined for sale on the local markets, by protecting the consumers and industry by assuring eggs are regulated under the Agricultural Product Standards Act, Act No 119 of 1990 for fair competition.



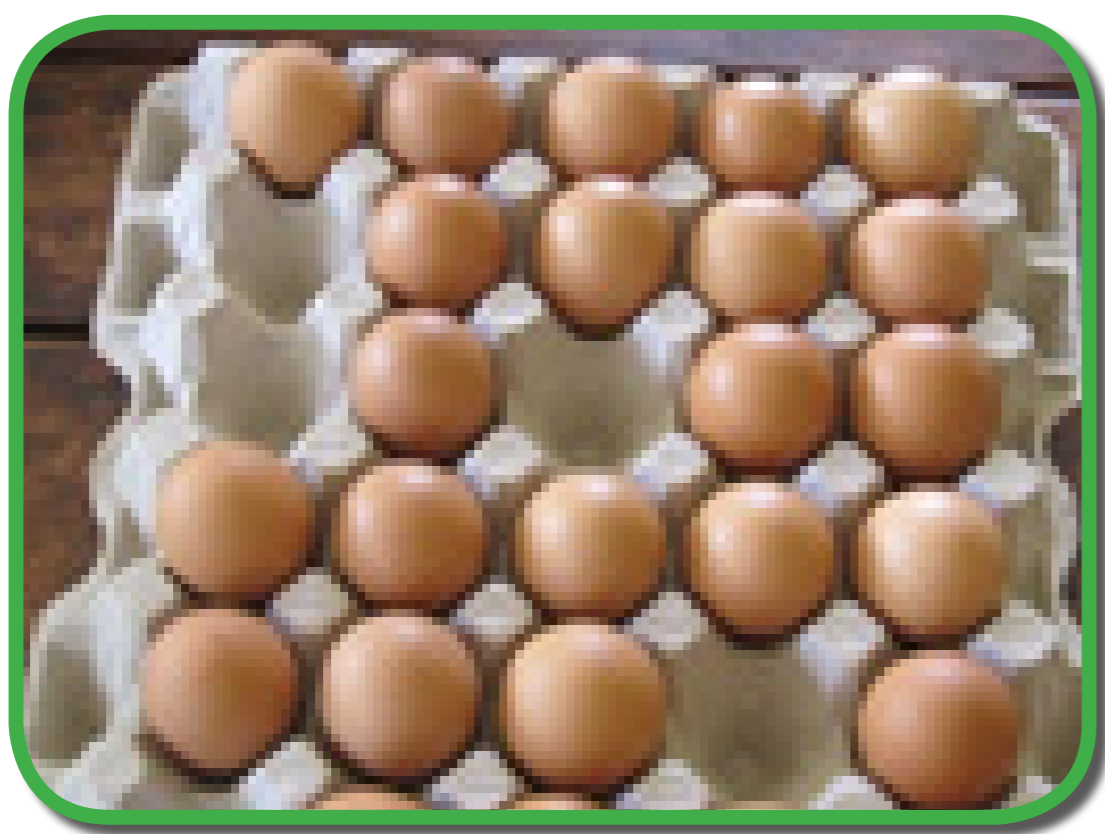
*Eggs not properly marked  
no number of eggs, grade and  
size*



*Eggs properly marked*



*Eggs comply with prescribed  
standards e.g. size and grade*



*Eggs not packed to full ca-  
pacity*



*Eggs have foreign matters*



*Eggs free from foreign  
materials*



*Eggs packed in such container with broads ends not facing downwards*



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