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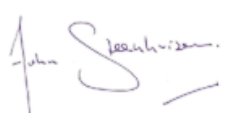
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

NO. R. 7327 **31 March 2026**

MARKETING OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS ACT, 1996
(ACT No. 47 of 1996)

ESTABLISHMENT OF STATUTORY MEASURE: RECORDS AND RETURNS BY SELLERS OF LOCALLY PRODUCED AND/OR IMPORTED TABLE EGGS AS PRESCRIBED BY REGULATION (R345 AS AMENDED) AND EGG PRODUCTS (PULP & POWDER) INCLUDING LOCAL HATCHERIES REJECTED EGGS THAT ARE SOLD TO THE TRADE

I, John Steenhuisen, Minister of Agriculture, acting under sections 10, 13, 14 and 18 of the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act, 1996 (Act No. 47 of 1996), hereby establish the statutory measure set out in the Schedule hereto.



MR JOHN STEENHUISEN, MP
MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE

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SCHEDULE

1. DEFINITIONS

In this schedule any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the

Act shall have that meaning and, unless the context indicates otherwise –

"**table eggs and egg products**" means non – fertile eggs of the species *Gallus gallus domesticus* for domestic consumption;

"levy administrator" means the South African Poultry Association, the juristic person entrusted with the implementation, administration and enforcement of the statutory measure under this regulation; and

"the Act" means the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act, 1996 (Act No. 47 of 1996);

"the Regulation" means Regulation R345 of the Agricultural Product Standards Act (Act 119 of 1990: 'Regulations regarding the grading, packing and marking of eggs destined for sale in the Republic of South Africa.

2. PURPOSE AND AIM OF STATUTORY MEASURE AND THE RELATION THEREOF TO OBJECTIVES OF THE ACT

The purpose and aim of this statutory measure are to compel the sellers of locally produced and/or imported table eggs as prescribed by (R345 as amended) and egg products (pulp & powder) including local hatcheries rejected eggs that are sold to the trade to render records and returns to the levy administrator. This is necessary to ensure that continuous, timeous and accurate information relating to the selling of table eggs as prescribed by (R345 as amended) and egg products (Imported and locally produced pulp & powder) including hatcheries rejected eggs sold to the trade is available to all role players.
Market information is deemed essential for all role players in order for them to make informed decisions. By prescribing the keeping of records with the rendering of

returns on an individual basis, market information for the whole of the industry can be processed and disseminated. The establishment of the statutory measure should assist in promoting the efficiency of the marketing of meat. The viability of the egg industry should thus be enhanced.

The measure is not detrimental to any objectives of the Act and, in particular, shall not be detrimental to the number of employment opportunities or fair labour practice in the egg industry.

Confidential information of any person subject to this statutory measure obtained by the levy administrator through the implementation, administration and enforcement of this statutory measure shall be dealt with in accordance with section 23(2) of the Act.

The measure shall be administered by the levy administrator who will appoint a third party to assist them with the administration of the statutory measure. The latter shall act in terms of the mandate and on behalf of the South African Poultry Association.

3. PRODUCTS TO WHICH THE STATUTORY MEASURE APPLIES

This statutory measure shall apply to –

a) Locally produced and/or imported table eggs as prescribed by (R345 as amended) and egg products (pulp & powder) including local hatchery rejected eggs that are sold to the trade.

4. AREA IN WHICH STATUTORY MEASURE SHALL APPLY

This statutory measure shall apply within the geographical area of the Republic of South Africa.

5. RECORDS TO BE KEPT, RETURNS TO BE RENDERED AND THE ENFORCEMENT THEREOF

a) (1) Establishments selling locally and/or imported table eggs as prescribed by (R345 as amended) and egg products (pulp & powder) including local hatcheries rejected eggs that are sold to the trade, shall keep such records and render the returns as may be required by the levy administrator.

(2) The records referred to in sub-clause (1) shall –

a) Be recorded on a computer or with ink in a book; and
b) Be kept at the registered premises of the person required to keep such records for a period of at least three years.

(3) The returns referred to in sub-clause (1) shall be rendered on a form obtainable free of charge for this purpose from the levy administrator, and shall –

a) Be submitted, when forwarded by post, to

The South African Poultry Association

P O Box 1202
Honeydew
2040

b) When sent by telefax, be addressed to – 011 795 9920.

(4) The implementation, administration and enforcement of the statutory measure established in these Regulations are entrusted to the levy administrator in terms of section 14 of the Act.

6. COMMENCEMENT AND PERIOD OF VALIDITY

This statutory measure shall come into operation on the 1st of April 2026 and will expire after four years on the 31st of March 2030.

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