

Title	Describe the steps in the hatching process in a poultry production operation		
Level	2	Credits	3

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is for people working in a poultry production context.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to describe: the storage of eggs prior to setting, and the setting of eggs; the transfer of eggs to hatching trays, and the take off of day old chicks; and the processing of day old chicks.</p>
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Classification	Poultry Production > Poultry Husbandry
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to:
 - Animal Welfare Act 1999;
 - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
 - Animal Welfare (Care and Procedures) Regulations 2018;
 - Code of Welfare: Layer Hens 2018;
 - Code of Welfare: Meat Chickens 2018;
 - Code of Welfare Transport within New Zealand 2018; and any subsequent amendments.
- 2 Definition
Workplace procedures refer to the documented procedures for workplace practices and safety and must meet the requirements equipment manufacturer's guidelines, current legislation, and codes of welfare.
- 3 All evidence presented in this unit standard must be in accordance with workplace procedures.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Describe the storage of eggs prior to setting, and the setting of eggs.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Describe the storage of eggs prior to setting in terms of the optimum conditions for storage, and the length of time eggs can be stored.

- 1.2 Describe the setting of eggs in terms of traying, preparation of the incubator, and the loading of the incubator.
- 1.3 Describe optimum incubation conditions in terms of temperature, humidity, turning, and duration.

Outcome 2

Describe the transfer of eggs to hatching trays, and the take off of day old chicks

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Describe the transfer of eggs to hatching trays in terms of preparation, timing, and handling techniques.
- 2.2 Describe optimum hatching conditions in terms of temperature, humidity, and duration.
- 2.3 Describe the take off of day old chicks in terms of removal of viable chicks and disposal of debris.

Outcome 3

Describe the processing of day old chicks.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Describe the processing of day old chicks in terms of the procedures.
- Range evidence of at least two procedures is required.
- 3.2 Describe the routine handling of day old chicks.

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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	15 December 2000	31 December 2020
Revision	2	14 February 2005	31 December 2020
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Review	4	28 February 2019	N/A
Rollover and Revision	5	15 December 2022	N/A

Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference	0052
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Comments on this unit standard

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