

Eggs And Egg Ingredients Policy

WSH expects our suppliers to supply eggs to the highest quality, animal welfare and safety standards for our clients and customers. We have therefore set a standard of all whole shell eggs to be British Lion Mark and RSPCA Freedom Food Free Range or Bord Bia Egg Quality Assurance Scheme (EQAS) in the Republic of Ireland. As caterers we must only use Grade 'A' shell eggs which are packed in accordance with The Eggs (Marketing Standards) Regulations 1995.

This indicates that the Lion Code of Practice for Egg Products is being followed which covers the whole egg production chain. We are therefore assured of the following:

- All eggs are guaranteed British
- Chickens are vaccinated against Salmonella enteritidis and typhimurium
- Complete traceability of hens, eggs and feed
- Regular egg testing
- Strict feed controls, including to the Universal Feed Assurance Scheme (UFAS) standards
- Eggs are stamped with farm code and production method
- Best before date on shell and box with no more than 28 days after being laid and eggs sold within 21 days of being laid
- Higher animal welfare standards are reached than required by UK / EU legislation
- Independently audited at farms, hatcheries, feed mills and pack houses, in addition to inspections by DEFRA Egg Inspectors

We are also working towards all egg products supplied across the business being free range including pasteurised liquid egg.