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Commencement of a review of Australian import conditions for hatching eggs – initial scope for comment

The Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment has commenced a review of Australian import conditions for hatching eggs. The [initial scoping document is available for comment by stakeholders](#).

We invite you to review the initial scoping document and provide submissions on specific issues in the existing import conditions and additional issues that should be considered by 22 October 2021 to animal@agriculture.gov.au.

The department has commenced a review of the import conditions for hatching eggs of poultry into Australia. This is a review of the department's [existing import conditions](#).

This review aims to update Australia's import conditions to help facilitate trade whilst also managing the biosecurity risks associated with this trade to a level sufficient to satisfy Australia's Appropriate Level of Protection.

We are conducting this import conditions review with enhanced industry and stakeholder engagement throughout the process. This initial draft document for comment is focused on the scope of the review, to identify issues in the existing import conditions that stakeholders would like considered (for example, testing protocols, diseases to add or remove from conditions, and so forth).

There will be additional periods for comment as we move through the review process, including a chance to comment on the final draft before any changes are made to the current import conditions. The final draft will also be submitted through the SPS notification process for broader comment by trading partners.

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