



Press Release



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF Food and Agriculture

Perry Johnson Registrars Food Safety, Inc. Announces Approval to Audit CDFA Animal Care Program

Troy, MI May 10, 2023 – Perry Johnson Registrars Food Safety, Inc. is excited to announce their approval by the California Department of Food & Agriculture to audit the new Animal Care Program.

Perry Johnson Registrars Food Safety, Inc. is now among the first entities to be approved by the California Department of Food & Agriculture (CDFA) to audit their new [Animal Care Program](#). This new regulation is intended to protect the welfare and care of livestock in agriculture, as well as to better allow Californians to access food sourced humanely and sustainably. Effective as of September 1, 2022, the CDFA's Animal Care Program is the end result of a movement begun in November 2008 with the approval of Proposition 12 (the Farm Animal Confinement Initiative).

Under the new regulations, farm owners and operators are prohibited from knowingly causing cruel confinement of applicable animals such as cows, pigs, and chickens. In addition, business owners or operators are likewise prohibited from knowingly engaging in in-state sale of products covered under the Animal Care Act, including shell eggs, liquid eggs, whole pork meat and whole veal meat.

PJRFSI looks forward to a successful partnership with the CDFA and is excited to bring this new certification to its clients both inside of California and beyond. For more information on CDFA's Animal Care Program or to request a quote for certification services, [visit the PJRFSI website](#). For a full list of the CDFA's Accredited Certifying Agents for the Animal Care Program, [click here](#).

About Perry Johnson Registrars Food Safety, Inc.

Perry Johnson Registrars Food Safety, Inc. is a globally-recognized certification body providing a wide range of certifications and third party GFSI food safety management system audit services including SQF, BRC HACCP, and GLOBALG.A.P. Our entire team believes that rigor and consistency during audit activities leads to higher levels of customer and end user satisfaction.

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