



Maryland Contract Poultry Grower COVID-19 Relief Program Details

The Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA) is seeking applications from contract poultry growers who have been impacted by COVID-19-related financial burdens and have not been eligible for federal relief programs.

As you may know, Maryland contract poultry growers were not eligible for the federal Coronavirus Food Assistance Program (CFAP) funds, despite being affected by market and supply chain disruptions that caused greater layout times and reduced placements. Additionally, some growers were greatly impacted by the depopulation of their flocks and in-house composting that prohibited them from placing new flocks for an extended period of time.

To support Maryland's contract poultry growers, MDA will be administering the following relief payments.

Payments

MDA will issue direct payments of \$1,000 per poultry house (capped at five houses) to eligible Maryland contract poultry growers. In addition to these payments, MDA will administer an extra \$1,500 for each poultry house that was depopulated due to disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic (no cap).

This application must be completed by eligible contract poultry growers and mailed to MDA postmarked by **Dec. 1, 2020**, in order to receive assistance from the State of Maryland. All funds will be dispersed by Dec. 31, 2020.

Mail to:

MDA COVID Relief Program – Mark Powell
Maryland Department of Agriculture, 50 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, MD 21401



**Open from Oct 19,
2020 at 08:00 AM to
Dec 01, 2020 at 05:00
PM**

Submission Window



2 days - 10 days
Approval Time



10 - 45 min
Completion Time



\$0.00
Application Fee

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Instructions

Review the steps - Read Carefully.

01 | Check your eligibility. Before proceeding with the application, please be sure you are eligible to participate. Eligibility requirements are outlined below.

- Maryland farmers growing chickens, turkeys, or ducks under contract in 2020, and whose poultry operations have not received any business interruption insurance coverage for the losses that will be covered by the relief funding **are eligible**.
- Maryland contract poultry growers whose flocks had to be depopulated due to COVID-19 disruptions **are eligible** for additional assistance.

02 | Complete the Application.

- If you meet the eligibility requirements, fill out the application and mail it to the Maryland Department of Agriculture postmarked by **Dec. 1, 2020**.

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What Happens After Submission

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01 | MDA will review your mail-in application and either approve or disapprove within 10 working days of it being received.

02 | If approved, you will receive an email and a check in the mail within approximately 15 days from the approval date. All funds will be dispersed by Dec. 31, 2020.

03 | If disapproved, you will receive an email and letter notification.

04 | If MDA has questions you will be contacted via email or phone.

05 | If you have questions, please submit them via email to mda.relief@maryland.gov or call (410) 841-5775.

Contact Information

Maryland Department of Agriculture

Mark Powell

Email: mda.relief@maryland.gov | Phone: (410) 841-5775

Work Hours: 8:00 AM-5:00 PM

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Contact Information

Full Name: _____

Name of Farm: _____

Social Security or Employer Identification Number: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Address of Farm: _____

Demographic Information

Gender (*Male, Female, Non-Binary, Prefer Not to Say*): _____

Ethnicity [*American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, Black or African American, Hispanic or Latino, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, White (Not Hispanic or Latino), Prefer Not to Say*]:

Business Information

What is the name of the Poultry Company with which you are contracted:

How many poultry houses does your farm own? _____

Were any of your poultry houses depopulated due to COVID-19?

YES NO

If so, how many poultry houses were depopulated? _____

I certify under penalty of law that this information is true and correct. I understand this information is subject to audit and review.

Initials _____

MAIL THE APPLICATION TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS POSTMARKED BY DEC. 1, 2020

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