



## Layer Leasing Program [LLP]

as amended July 2018

### **INTRODUCTION:**

A motion was approved at the March 2012 Board of Directors' meeting to create a Layer Leasing Program beginning in January 2013. The Layer Leasing Program fees are reviewed on an annual basis.

### **PRINCIPLE:**

The LLP is available to Ontario Quota Holders who have excess capacity in their barn(s), as per current Housing Density Requirements (HDR). Quota Holders may apply to lease a maximum of **1,800 birds** on a yearly basis.

### **CRITERIA:**

- Layer Leasing Program Applications must be submitted with the Quota Holder's Replacement Layer Order Report (Form No.: GR-EPPI-3.9).
- Upon application, EFO will issue a confirmation of receipt with the number of leased birds to be placed in conjunction with the scheduled flock placement date as declared on the Replacement Layer Order Report.
- Upon confirmation of placement at 23 weeks, EFO will issue an invoice for the LLP birds placed within the flock. Layer Leasing Program birds placed cannot exceed the approved application amount.
- Terms of payment: A postdated cheque must be received at the EFO Board office prior to the invoice payment due date. Postdated cheques will be for the full balance and dated for Week #45 of the flock life as indicated on the invoice [Week 19 + 26 = 45 weeks].
- If the postdated cheque is not received prior to the invoice payment terms, the Quota Holder may be deemed as over quota and subject to the terms of the Flock Count Policy.
- Multiple flock Quota Holders are required to submit separate applications for each flock placement to a maximum of 1,800 birds per year.
- The number of birds leased out of the Program is limited to a Quota Holder's total Production Quota to a maximum of 1,800.
- The Quota Holder agrees to place the number of birds granted into their production facility for a period of 365 days.
- LLP birds that remain in production in excess of 365 days will incur a cost of 2 cents a bird per day; to be reconciled once disposal information is received by the Board. A Quota Holder who disposes of birds prior to 365 days will not receive a rebate.
- A Quota Holder leasing out of the Program assumes responsibility for per bird levy and any other outstanding licence fees, levies, interest or other monies owing to the Board as a result of participation in the LLP.

### **COMPLIANCE:**

Any quota holder who is in good standing may apply to the Board for this program. To be in good standing a quota holder must be in conformity with all EFO Regulations, Policies, Orders, and Directions, including housing density. Quota Holders must have all the paperwork filed at the EFO office as outlined in the EFO General Regulations; and be up-to-date with all licence fees, levies and any other amounts owing to EFO.

### **SANCTIONS:**

The Board may cancel or reduce, refuse to increase, refuse to loan, fix, and allot quota to any person for any reason that the Board considers proper. Additional or alternative sanctions may apply under EFO's Quota Policy; Section 26 [Quality Standards], Section 27 [On Farm Food Safety] and Section 28 [Housing Density]. Indirect methods to circumvent EFO's policies will not be permitted and where identified may result in an appropriate reduction or cancellation of quota.

The Layer Leasing Program Application is available to download through the EFO website at [www.eggfarmersofontario.ca](http://www.eggfarmersofontario.ca) or may be submitted online at <https://eforms.getcracking.ca>.