The department is making a number of significant changes to the way that we regulate and audit low-risk dairy, eggs and fish export establishments, moving to a data driven and risk-based regulatory model. This includes storage facilities, fishing vessels, and live fish establishments (excluding establishments who export bivalve molluscs). The trial of the low-risk framework has commenced, utilising Artificial Intelligence as an assessment and verification tool, and will provide a reduction in audit and regulatory burden. Those taking part in the trial are required to submit documentation to the department via a single online digital portal, which will utilise artificial intelligence to assist in analysis of establishment compliance.

The establishments subject to the new alternative audit approach are required to submit documentation and be engaged in sector level verification activities. The following data will be required by the department:

- Establishment questionnaire
- Declaration of conformity
- Photo and video for Artificial Intelligence (AI) verification
- Other approved arrangement documents or records as requested
- Sector level verification/assurance

As a part of completing the new annual requirements, establishments will be required to declare that they:

- Understand their requirements
- Have documented evidence of staff training and competency
- Have completed verification activities including internal audits as scheduled
- Have actioned all non-compliances identified in the last 12 months
- Have no critical non-compliances identified in the last 12 months – or have appropriately addressed any critical non-compliances identified
- Understand obligations to notify the department of any variations to approved arrangements and registrations
- Understand the departments right to undertake any additional compliance and verification activities
- Have provided true and correct information to the department

Employees in an establishments management and control will have access to the portal and are responsible for final submission of files and declarations. The department may reach out to establishments for further information or action following submissions of files and declarations.

For more information visit the 'Low-risk audit trials' webpage. Communication will be ongoing but if you have questions in the meantime, please contact dairyeggsfish@aff.gov.au

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Examples of quality images for AI verification

AI verification inputs
You will be required to upload video and photos of your establishment of the below elements:
- General cleanliness inside of establishments
- General cleanliness outside of establishment
- Product packaged in containers with labels and transfer documentation
- Google maps (screenshot) including address

Files uploaded for AI verification must:
- Be uploaded in the correct file type
  - Photos (e.g. png, jpeg)
  - Videos (e.g. mp4)
- Clear image or video
  - Not pixelated of blurry
  - Object of image or video not obstructed
  - Space well lit
- Clearly show required element

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1	Do any activities other than storage, handling of packaged food (i.e., Not exposing the food) and loading of food occur at this establishment?	Select yes or no box, if yes provide additional details of additional activities
2	What are the types of storage operations at this establishment	Select Frozen, Chilled or Unrefrigerated box
3	Are you freezing product? (For example, are you receiving product at <5° and reducing the temperature to <18°?)	Select yes or no box, if yes provide additional details
4	Is product loaded for export at this establishment? (For example, directly into shipping containers or air cans or airside)	Select yes or no box, if yes provide additional details of the overseas markets product is exported to
5	Does your establishment have a self-sealing program in place for applying departmental seals to meet importing country requirements?	Select yes or no box
6	How many fulltime and part time staff are currently on site?	Provide number of staff on site
7	Have there been any changes to key management personnel in the last 12 months, including persons in control of daily operations?	Select yes or no box, if yes, Select additional yes or no box to confirm if the department has been notified of changes
8	What is your establishment's maximum product holding capacity (approximately)?	Provide number of product holding capacity
9	Has your establishment been subject to any product recalls or withdrawals in the last 12 months?	Select yes or no box, if yes provide additional details
10	Has any product loaded out of your establishment been subject to any notification by overseas authorities, including detained consignments and errors on certification?	Select yes or no box, if yes provide additional details
11	Is this establishment audited under any third-party food safety certification schemes? (For example, SGS or SAI Global, HACCP)	Select yes or no box, if yes provide additional details – including frequency of audits
12	Are you a member, or do you comply with any food codes of practice? (For example, the Australian Food and Grocery Council (AFGC) or the Australian Food Cold Chain Council (AFCCC))	Select yes or no box, if yes provide additional details