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UNECE Standard for Chicken Meat – Carcasses and Parts

Note by the secretariat

This text is submitted by the Specialized Section on Standardization of Meat to the Working Party for adoption as a revised UNECE Standard for Chicken Meat – Carcasses and Parts. Annex I (Contact list) and Annex II (Codification system) are currently being revised and will be added to the final publication.

UNECE STANDARD

CHICKEN MEAT — CARCASSES AND PARTS

1. Introduction

1.1 UNECE standards for meat products

The purpose of UNECE standards for meat products is to facilitate trade by recommending an international language for use between buyer and seller. The language describes meat items commonly traded internationally and defines a coding system for communication and electronic trade. As the texts will be updated regularly, meat industry members who believe that additional items are needed or that existing items are inaccurate or no longer being traded are encouraged to contact the UNECE secretariat.

This text has been prepared under the auspices of the UNECE Specialized Section on Standardization of Meat. It is part of a series of standards that UNECE has developed or is planning to develop.

The following table contains the species for which UNECE standards exist/or are in different stages of development, and their code for use in the UNECE meat code (see section 4).

For further information please visit the UNECE website at <http://www.unece.org/trade/agr>.

Annex II contains a description of the codification system, which contains a specific application identifier for the implementation of the UNECE Code.

<i>Species</i>	<i>Species code (data field 1)</i>
Bovine (Beef)	10
Bovine (Veal)	11
Porcine (Pork)	30
Ovine (Sheep)	40
Caprine (Goat)	50
Llama	60
Alpaca	61
Chicken	70
Turkey	71
Duck	72

<i>Species</i>	<i>Species code (data field 1)</i>
Goose	73
Horse meat (equine)	80
Edible meat co-products	90
Retail meat cuts	91

1.2 Scope

This standard recommends an international language for raw (unprocessed) chicken (*Gallus domesticus*) carcasses and parts (or cuts) marketed as fit for human consumption. Products with added ingredients or “chicken preparations” are not included. The standard provides purchasers with a variety of options for meat handling, packing and conformity assessment, which correspond to good commercial practice for meat and meat products, intended to be sold in international trade.

To market chicken carcasses and parts across international borders, the appropriate legislative requirements of food standardization and veterinary control must be complied with. The standard does not attempt to prescribe those aspects which are covered elsewhere, and throughout the standard, such provisions are left for national or international legislation, or requirements of the importing country.

The standard contains references to other international agreements, standards and codes of practice which have the objective of maintaining the quality after dispatch and of providing guidance to Governments on certain aspects of food hygiene, labelling and other matters which fall outside the scope of this Standard. *Codex Alimentarius Commission Standards, Guidelines, and Codes of Practice* should be consulted as the international reference concerning health and sanitation requirements.

1.3 Application

Contractors are responsible for delivering products that comply with all contractual and specification requirements and are advised to set up a quality-control system designed to assure compliance.

For assurance that items comply with these detailed requirements, buyers may choose to use the services of an independent, unbiased third-party to ensure product compliance with a purchaser’s specified options. The standard includes illustrative photographs of carcasses and selected commercial parts/cuts to make it easier to understand the provisions.

1.4 Adoption and Publication History

Following the recommendation of the Specialized Section, the Working Party on Agricultural Quality Standards adopted the 2006 version at its 62nd session on the basis of document (ECE/TRADE/C/WP.7/2006/13). In 2012, the 2006 edition of the Standard was revised and up-dated, and adopted by the Working Party at its sixty-eighth session in November 2012 (reference document:).

UNECE Standards for meat undergo a complete review three years after publication. Following the review, new editions are published as necessary. Changes requiring immediate attention are published on the UNECE website at <<http://www.unece.org/trade/agr/standards.htm>>.

2. Minimum requirements

All meat must originate from animals slaughtered in establishments regularly operated under the applicable regulations pertaining to food safety and inspection.

Carcases and parts items must be:

- Free from any foreign material (e.g. glass, rubber, plastic, metal ¹).
- Free of foreign odours.
- Free of fecal contamination.
- Free of improper bleeding.
- Free of viscera, trachea, esophagus, mature reproductive organs, and lungs ².
- Practically free of feathers and hemorrhaging ³.
- Free of freezer-burn ⁴.
- Free of gall discoloration ³.

3. Purchaser-specified requirements

The following subsections define the requirements that can be specified by the purchaser together with the codes to be used in the UNECE Chicken Code (see section 4). The UNECE Code for chicken meat packing is described in section 3.9.

3.1 Additional requirements

Additional purchaser specified requirements that are either not accounted for in the code (e.g. if code 9 “other” is used) or that provide additional clarification to the product or packing description, shall be agreed between buyer and seller and be documented appropriately.

3.2 Species

The code for chicken in data field 1 as defined in section 1.1 is 70.

¹ When specified by the purchaser, meat items will be subject to metal particle detection.

² Unless these organs are inherent to the item specified.

³ This can only be allowed if disclosed by the seller and as permitted by national legislation and by the quality or grade selected.

⁴ Freezer-burn is localized or widespread areas of irreversible surface dehydration indicated, in part or all, by changes from original colour (usually paler), and/or tactile properties (dry, spongy).

3.3 Product/part

3.3.1 Product/part code

The four-digit product code in data field 2 is defined in section 5.

3.3.2 Bone

Chicken carcasses and parts vary in presentation for bone as follows:

<i>Bone code</i> (data field 3a)	<i>Category</i>	<i>Description</i>
0	Not specified	
1	Bone-in	Product has no bones removed
2	Partially boneless	Product has some, but not all bones removed
3	Boneless	Product has all bones removed
4-9	Codes not used	

3.3.3 Skin

Chicken carcasses and parts are available for trade with skin (skin-on) or without skin (skinless). Skin-on carcasses and parts are available in skin colours “yellow” and “white.” Skin options are:

<i>Skin code</i> (data field 3b)	<i>Category</i>	<i>Description</i>
0	Not specified	
1	Skin-On, colour not specified	Product with skin that is either whitish or yellowish in colour; white skin and yellow skin product shall not be mixed in the same lot without the consent of the buyer
2	Skin-On, White Skin	Product with skin that has a whitish colour (Figure 1)
3	Skin-On, Yellow Skin	Product with skin that has yellowish colour (Figure 2)
4	Skinless	Product with all skin removed (Figure 3)
5-9	Codes not used	



Figure 1: Whole Bird with White Skin



Figure 2: Whole Bird with Yellow Skin



Figure 3: Skinless Whole Bird

3.4 Refrigeration

Chicken carcasses and parts may be presented chilled, chilled with ice packed in the container, chilled with dry ice packed in the container, lightly frozen, deeply chilled, frozen, deep frozen, individually (quick⁵) deep frozen without ice glazing, or individually (quick⁵) deep frozen with ice glazing. Not all categories may be used by all regions. Depending on refrigeration method used, tolerances for product weight are to be agreed between the buyer and seller. It is the responsibility of the operator to ensure that ambient temperatures are such throughout the supply chain as to ensure uniform internal product temperatures as follows:

<i>Refrigeration code</i> (data field 4)	<i>Category</i>	<i>Description</i>
0	Not specified	
1	Chilled	Internal product temperature maintained at not less than – 2.0 °C and not more than + 4.0 °C at all times following the post-slaughter chilling process
2	Chilled, with Ice Added	Internal product temperature maintained at not less than – 2.0 °C and not more than + 4.0 °C at all times following the post-slaughter chilling process and packed in a container with ice (frozen water, not dry ice)
3	Chilled, with Dry Ice (CO ₂) Added ⁵	Internal product temperature maintained at not less than – 2.0 °C and not more than + 4.0 °C at all times following the post-slaughter chilling process and packed in a container with dry ice (CO ₂)
4	Deeply Chilled ⁶	Internal product temperature maintained at not less than –12 °C and not more than –2.0 °C at all times after freezing
5	Frozen	Internal product temperature maintained at –12 °C or less at all times after freezing
6	Deep Frozen	Internal product temperature maintained at –18 °C or less at all times after freezing
7	Individually (Quick ⁷) Deep Frozen, without Ice Glazing	Product is individually frozen before packing and maintained at an internal temperature –18 °C or less at all times after freezing
8	Individually (Quick ⁷) Deep Frozen, with Ice Glazing	Product is individually frozen before packing and maintained at an internal temperature –18 °C or less at all times after freezing. Ice glazing methodology and labelling terminology must be agreed between the buyer and seller. The methodology used and any weight pick-up due to ice glazing must be declared on the product description/label
9	Other	Can be used to describe any other refrigeration agreed between buyer and seller

⁵ The dry ice shall not be in direct contact with the product.

⁶ This method of refrigeration should only be used for short term storage for retail.

⁷ Timelines and temperatures for individually (quick) deep frozen shall conform to relevant legislation of the importing country. Example: To meet the relevant European Union legislation (see Dir. 89/108/EEC) the temperature shall be achieved at a minimum rate of 5 mm/hour.

3.5 Production History

3.5.1 Traceability

The requirements concerning production history as specified by the purchaser may require traceability systems to be in place. Traceability requires a verifiable method of identification of products or batches of products at all relevant stages of production. Traceability records must be able to substantiate the claims being made and the conformity of the procedures must be certified in accordance with the provisions concerning conformity assessment requirements of section 3.8.

3.5.2 Chicken category

<i>Chicken category code (data field 5)</i>	<i>Category</i>	<i>Description</i>
0	Not specified	
1	Very young chickens	Less than 28 days of age
2	Young chickens	Less than 84 days of age, tip of sternum is flexible (not ossified)
3	Roasters	Less than 84 days of age, tip of sternum is less flexible (partly ossified) than for young chicken category
4	Capons 1	Surgically neutered chickens, less than 120 days of age
5	Capons 2	Surgically neutered chickens, more than 140 days of age.*
6	Egg-laying hens	Hens of laying strains with completely ossified sternum
7	Breeding hens and roosters	Females and males with completely ossified sternum
8	Code not used	
9	Other	

**In the EU capons age at castration and at slaughter is established in the Marketing Standards for Poultry (Regulation (EC) No 543/2008)*

3.5.3 Production system

The purchaser may specify a production system. In any case, the production has to be in conformity with the regulation in force in the importing country. If no such regulation exists, the regulation of the exporting country shall be used.

<i>Production system code</i> (data field 6)	<i>Category</i> ⁸	<i>Description</i>
0	Not specified	
1	Conventional	Chickens are raised in heated and either ventilated or open-sided growing houses
2	Free-range 1	Chickens from slow maturing breeds raised with specified low density indoors and outdoors with unrestricted diurnal outdoor access for at least half of their total life. The feed must contain at least 70% cereals. The minimum slaughter age is 56 days
3	Free-range 2	Chickens from slow maturing breeds raised with specified low density indoors and outdoors with unrestricted diurnal outdoor access for at least half of their total life. The feed must contain at least 70% cereals. The minimum slaughter age is 81 days
4	Free-range 3	Chickens are raised in heated and either ventilated or open-sided growing houses with access to the outdoors
5	Pastured/pasture-raised	Chickens are raised outdoors utilizing movable enclosures located on grass
6	Organic ⁹	Production methods that conform to the legislation of the importing country concerning organic production
7-8	Codes not used	
9	Other	Can be used to describe any other production system agreed between buyer and seller

3.5.4 Feeding system

The purchaser may specify a feeding system. In any case the feeding has to be in conformity with the regulation in force in the importing country. If no such regulation exists the feeding system shall be agreed between buyer and seller.

<i>Feeding system code</i> (data field 7)	<i>Description</i>
00	Not specified
01	Conventional
02-09	Codes not used
10	FM free
11	FM & IAO free
12	FM, IAO & GP free

⁸ In the EU the age of capons and the types of farming are laid down in regulation EC 543/2008 except for organic farming regulation EC 834/2007 (available at <<http://eur-lex.europa.eu>>).

⁹ Organic production systems include specific feeding systems. The option "organic" is therefore not repeated under feeding system.

<i>Feeding system code (data field 7)</i>	<i>Description</i>
13	FM, IAO, GP & GMO free
14	FM & GP free
15	FM, GP & GMO free
16	FM & GMO free
17-29	Codes not used
30	IAO free
31	IAO & GP free
32	IAO & GMO free
33	IAO, GP & GMO free
34-49	Codes not used
50	GP free
51	GP & GMO free
52-59	Codes not used
60	GMO free
61-98	Codes not used
99	Can be used to describe any other feeding system agreed between buyer and seller

FM free Free from fish meal.

IAO free Free from ingredients of animal origin.

GP free Free from growth promoters.

GMO free Free of products derived from genetically modified organisms.

The definitions of the terms above have to be in conformity with the legislation of the importing country.

3.5.5 Slaughter system

<i>Slaughter system code (data field 10)</i>	<i>Category</i>	<i>Description</i>
0	Not specified	
1	Conventional	Stunned prior to bleeding
2	Kosher	Appropriate ritual slaughter procedures used
3	Halal	Appropriate ritual slaughter procedures used
4-8	Codes not used	
9	Other	Any other authorized method of slaughter must be agreed between buyer and seller

3.5.6 Chilling system

The purchaser may specify chilling systems as indicated in the table below.

The following chilling systems may cause weight gain through technically unavoidable water retention. The product description/label must contain the percentage of water contained in the product if it exceeds the technological limits as defined in the legislation of the importing country. If such legislation does not exist those limits must be agreed between buyer and seller. The methods used for the determining of the water content must be agreed between buyer and seller.¹⁰

<i>Chilling system code</i>		
<i>(data field 9)</i>	<i>Category</i>	<i>Description</i>
0	Not specified	
1	Immersion chilled (no additives)	Product chilled by movement through reverse-flowing cold water
2	Immersion chilled (additives)	Product chilled by movement through reverse-flowing cold water containing anti-microbial agents
3	Air chilled (no additives)	Product chilled by cold air
4	Air chilled (additives)	Product chilled by cold air containing anti-microbial agents
5	Air-spray chilled (no additives)	Product chilled by cold air interspersed with fine water spray
6	Air-spray chilled (additives)	Product chilled by cold air interspersed with fine water spray containing anti-microbial agents
7-8	Codes not used	
9	Other	Can be used to describe any other chilling system agreed between buyer and seller

3.5.7 Anti-microbial treatments

Save as otherwise established in the importing country, the following treatments may take place before or after chilling. These can include physical, chemical or biological treatments either separately or in combination, meeting relevant legislation in the importing country.

<i>Treatment code</i>		
<i>(data field 10)</i>	<i>Category</i>	<i>Description</i>
0	Not specified	
1	Without any anti-microbial treatment	No anti-microbial treatment has been used

¹⁰ Relevant methods can be found in article 9 of the E.U. Regulation (EEC) 1538/91 (consolidated text available at <<http://eur-lex.europa.eu>>).

<i>Treatment code (data field 10)</i>	<i>Category</i>	<i>Description</i>
2	With specified anti-microbial treatment(s)	The specific treatment(s) must be agreed upon between buyer and seller
3-9	Codes not used	

3.6 Quality level

3.6.1 Definition of codes

A quality level for carcasses or parts can be specified as follows:

<i>Quality code (data field 11)</i>	<i>Category</i>	<i>Description</i>
0	Not specified	The minimum conditions in section 2 have to be complied with
1	Quality Level 1	Product meets highest quality level ¹¹
2	Quality Level 2	Product meets second quality level ¹¹
3-8	Codes not used	
9	Other	Other quality level or system agreed between buyer and seller

3.7 Labelling information to be mentioned on or affixed to the marketing units of chicken carcasses and parts

3.7.1 Mandatory information

Without prejudice to national requirements of the importing countries, the following list contains information that must be listed on product labels on packed chicken carcasses and parts:

- Name of the product
- Health stamp/inspection stamp
- Sell-by/use-by date as required by each country
- Storage conditions: e.g. "Store at or below XX °C"
- Appropriate identification of packer, distributor or dispatcher
- Net weight in kg (and optionally lb)
- Percentage of additional water conforming to section 3.5.6

¹¹ If used, the quality level should conform to relevant legislation of the importing country. If such legislation does not exist, the definition of the quality level should be agreed between buyer and seller.

3.7.2 Other product claims

Other product claims may be listed on product labels as required by the importing country's legislation, or at the buyer's request or as chosen by the processor. If listed, such product claims must be verifiable (see also 3.5.1).

Examples of such product claims include the following:

- Country of birth
- Country(ies) of raising
- Country of slaughter
- Country(ies) of processing/cutting
- Country(ies) of packing
- Country of origin: In this standard the term "country of origin" is reserved to indicate that birth, raising, slaughter, processing/cutting and packing have taken place in the same country
- Production and feeding systems
- Processing/packaging date
- Quality/grade/classification
- Slaughtering procedures
- Chilling system

3.8 Provisions concerning conformity assessment requirements

The purchaser may request third-party conformity assessment of the product's quality/grade/classification, purchaser-specified options of the standard, and/or animal identification. Individual conformity assessments or combinations may be selected as follows:

Quality/grade/classification conformity assessment (quality): a third party examines and certifies that the product meets the quality level requested. The name of the third-party certifying authority and quality grade standard to be used must be designated as noted in 3.1.

Trade standard conformity assessment (trade standard): a third party examines and certifies that the product meets the purchaser-specified options as specified in this trade standard, except for quality level. The name of the third-party certifying authority must be designated as noted in 3.1. Optionally, the purchaser may indicate specific purchaser specified options to be certified after the name of the third-party certifying authority.

Chicken or batch identification conformity assessment (chicken/batch ID): a third party certifies that the product meets specified requirements. The name of the third-party certifying authority and the requirements must be designated as noted in 3.1.

Conformity assessment code

(data field 14)

Category

0	Not specified
1	Quality/grade/classification (quality) conformity assessment

<i>Conformity assessment code (data field 14)</i>	<i>Category</i>
2	Trade standard conformity assessment
3	Chicken/batch identification (chicken/batch ID) conformity assessment
4	Quality and trade standard conformity assessment
5	Quality and chicken/batch ID conformity assessment
6	Trade standard and chicken/batch ID conformity assessment
7	Quality, trade standard, and chicken/batch ID conformity assessment
8	Code not used
9	Other

3.9 Provisions concerning packing, storage, and transport

The conditions of storage before dispatch and the equipment used for transportation shall be appropriate to the physical and, in particular, to the thermal condition of the chicken carcasses and parts (chilled or frozen) and shall be in accordance with the requirements of the importing country. Attention is drawn to the provisions of the *UNECE Agreement on the International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs and on the Special Equipment to be Used for Such Carriage (ATP)* (<http://www.unece.org/trans/main/wp11/atp.html>).

3.9.1 Piece weight

A “piece” is a whole bird, a bird cut into pieces, or a part from a bird as specified by the product description.

The weight can also be indicated as a weight range. Definition of the weight ranges and their application and verification must be agreed between buyer and seller.

Buyer and seller may agree on individual product piece weight as follows:

<i>Piece weight code (data field P1)</i>	<i>Category/Description</i>
0	Not specified
1	Weight range specified
2	Weight specified
3-8	Codes not used
9	Other

3.9.2 Primary packaging

The primary packaging is in direct contact with the product and is used to segregate the product into consumer- or institutional-sized units, and is placed inside a shipping container during transport. One or more pieces may be enclosed in a primary packaging. The primary packaging may be specified as follows:

<i>Primary packaging code (data field P2)</i>	<i>Category</i>	<i>Description</i>
00	Not specified	
01	Plastic bag	Packaging made from flexible, plastic film to enclose product that is closed by commercial methods. A plastic-film liner in a box is considered part of the shipping container and not an internal package
02	Plastic bag, vacuum packaged	Plastic bag or other similar material that adheres to the product through the removal of air by vacuum and a heat-sealing closure
03	Plastic bag, resealable	Plastic bag or other similar material that has an interlocking seal that can be repeatedly opened and closed
04	Plastic bag, with modified atmosphere	Plastic bag or other similar material that is filled with a gas and sealed to assist in maintaining product quality
05	Bubble pack, portion control	Plastic bag or other similar material that is used to enclose individual servings of product
06	Tray pack	Flat bottom, tray-shaped container made of polystyrene or other similar plastic material. Product is placed in the tray and then over-wrapped with a plastic film that encloses the product. A moisture-absorbing pad may be placed in the tray under the product to absorb excess moisture
07	Tray pack, with modified atmosphere	Shallow, flat bottom container made of polystyrene or other similar plastic material. Product is placed in the tray over a moisture-absorbing pad, then over-wrapped with a plastic film that encloses the tray and the product, and gas is added and the package sealed to assist in maintaining product quality
08	Cup/tub	Container made of paper, plastic, or other rigid, waterproof material with a flat bottom and a lid closure
09	Carton	Paper container that holds the product and is packed inside a packing container. The carton may: (1) have an impregnated and/or coated wax surface, or (2) be lined with a plastic-film or other polyethylene bag. The carton is closed using commercial methods. If this package is selected, the purchaser must also specify the type of packing container into which the carton is placed
10-97	Codes not used	
98	Not packaged	Product is not packaged into consumer- or institutional-sized units, (e.g. product is packed directly in a packing container such as a returnable plastic container, lined box, or bulk bin)
99	Other	

3.9.3 Consumer labelling

Consumer labelling of the primary package may be specified as follows:

<i>Consumer labelling code</i>		
<i>(data field P3)</i>		<i>Category/Description</i>
0		Not specified
1	Labelled:	consumer labels shall be present on packages. They must be in accordance with the requirements of the country of destination
2		Not labelled
3-9		Codes not used

3.9.4 Weight of the primary package

The weight of the primary package contents is the sum of the weight of the pieces contained, as defined in 3.9.1. The weight can also be indicated as a weight range. In this case the definition of the weight ranges and their application and verification must be agreed between buyer and seller.

<i>Primary package weight code</i>		
<i>(data field P4)</i>		<i>Category/Description</i>
0		Not specified
1		Weight range specified
2		Weight specified
3-8		Codes not used
9		Other

3.9.5 Secondary packaging

Secondary packaging is used to protect and identify the product during transport. Secondary packages consist of one or more primary packages. Secondary packages must be labelled in accordance with the requirements of the country of destination. Secondary packagings may be specified as follows:

<i>Secondary packing code</i>		
<i>(data field P5)</i>	<i>Category</i>	<i>Description</i>
0	Not specified	
1	Box, unlined and unwaxed	Container made from corrugated paper. Closed using tape, straps, or other commercially acceptable methods
2	Box, lined and unwaxed	Corrugated paper container that has a plastic-film bag lining the inside of the container. Closed using tape, straps, or other commercially acceptable methods
3	Box, unlined and waxed	Corrugated paper box impregnated and/or coated with wax to waterproof the container. Closed using tape, straps, or other commercially acceptable methods
4	Container, returnable	Container or "tote" made of plastic or other authorized material that is recovered by the processor after delivery
5	Bulk bin, non-returnable	Large corrugated paper container that is not recovered by the processor after delivery, which may or may not be wax impregnated or lined with a plastic-film bag

<i>Secondary packing code (data field P5)</i>	<i>Category</i>	<i>Description</i>
6	Bulk bin, returnable	Large container made of plastic or other authorized material that is recovered by the processor after delivery
7-8	Codes not used	
9	Other	

3.9.6 Secondary package weight

Secondary package weight is specified in kilograms as five digits with one decimal place (0000.0 kg). Secondary package weight tolerances and weight ranges to be determined by the buyer and seller as noted in 3.9.1.

<i>Secondary package weight code (data field P6)</i>	<i>Category/Description</i>
00000	Not specified
00001-99999	Specify five-digit piece weight (0000.0) in kilograms

3.9.7 Poultry meat packaging and packing coding format

The following table demonstrates the general application of the coding format for describing packaging and packing for chicken:

<i>Data field</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Section</i>	<i>Code range</i>
P1	Piece weight	3.9.1	0-9
P2	Primary packaging	3.9.2	00-99
P3	Primary package consumer labelling	3.9.3	0-9
P4	Primary package weight	3.9.4	0-9
P5	Secondary packaging	3.9.5	0-9
P6	Secondary package weight	3.9.6	00000-99999

4. UNECE Code for purchaser requirements for Chicken Meat

4.1 Definition of the code

The UNECE Code for Purchaser Requirements for chicken meat has 14 fields and 20 digits (2 digits not used) and is a combination of the codes defined in sections 3 and 5.

<i>Field no.</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Section</i>	<i>Code Range</i>
1	Species	3.2	00 - 99
2	Product/part	5	0000 - 9999
3a	Bone	3.3.2	0 - 9
3b	Skin	3.3.3	0 - 9
4	Refrigeration	3.4	0 - 9

<i>Field no.</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Section</i>	<i>Code Range</i>
5	Category	3.5.2	0 - 9
6	Production system	3.5.3	0 - 9
7	Feeding system	3.5.4	00 - 99
8	Slaughter system	3.5.5	0 - 9
9	Chilling system	3.5.6	0 - 9
10	Anti-microbial treatment	3.5.7	0 - 9
11	Quality	3.6	0 - 9
12	<i>Field not used</i>	-	0 - 9
13	<i>Field not used</i>	-	0 - 9
14	Conformity assessment	3.8	0 - 9

4.2 Example

The following example describes: a deep-frozen, yellow-skin, whole young chicken with giblets, which was organically grown and raised, with no fishmeal used in the feed, air chilled without additives, and without anti-microbial treatments. The chicken is of the highest quality and the quality and trade standard are to be certified by a company specified by the buyer.

This item has the following UNECE Chicken Meat Code:
70010113626100311004

<i>Field no.</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Requirement</i>	<i>Value</i>
1	Species	Chicken	70
2	Product/part	Whole bird	0101
3a	Bone	Bone-in	1
3b	Skin	Skin-on, yellow skin	3
4	Refrigeration	Deep-frozen	6
5	Category	Young chicken	2
6	Production system	Organic	6
7	Feeding system	Fish meal free	10
8	Slaughter system	Not specified	0
9	Chilling system	Air chilled, no additives	3
10	Anti-microbial treatment	No anti-microbial treatments used	1
11	Quality	Quality level 1	1
12	<i>Field not used</i>	-	0
13	<i>Field not used</i>	-	0
14	Conformity assessment	Quality and trade standard conformity assessment	4

5. Carcasses and parts descriptions

5.1 Multilingual index of products

<i>Product</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>Page</i>	<i>French</i>	<i>Russian</i>	<i>Spanish</i>	<i>Chinese</i>
0101	Whole bird		Poulet entier	Тушка потрошенная (ТП) с комплектом потрохов и шей	Pollo entero	整鸡
0102	Whole bird without giblets		Poulet entier sans abats	Тушка потрошенная (ТП)	Pollo entero sin menudencias	去内脏白条鸡
0103	Boneless whole bird without wings and giblets		Poulet entier désossé, sans abats ni ailes	Тушка потрошенная (ТП) обваленная без крыльев	Pollo entero deshuesado sin alas ni menudencias	去翅去内脏无骨白条鸡
0104	Whole bird without giblets, with long-cut drumsticks (Shank)		Poulet entier sans abats avec pilons coupe longue	Тушка потрошенная (ТП) с низким срезом голеней	Pollo entero sin menudencias con piernas corte largo	去爪白条鸡
0105	Whole bird without giblets, with half neck		Poulet entier sans abats avec demi-cou	Тушка потрошенная (ТП) с половиной шеи	Pollo entero sin menudencias con medio cogote	半脖白条鸡
0106	Whole bird without giblets, with whole neck		Poulet entier sans abats avec cou entier	Тушка потрошенная (ТП) с целой шей	Pollo entero sin menudencias con cogote entero	全脖白条鸡
0107	Whole bird without giblets, with head		Poulet entier sans abats avec tête	Тушка потрошенная (ТП) с неотделенной головой	Pollo entero sin menudencias con cabeza	带头白条鸡
0108	Whole bird without giblets, with head and feet		Poulet entier sans abats avec tête et pattes	Тушка потрошенная (ТП) с неотделенными головой и плюснами ног	Pollo entero sin menudencias con cabeza y patas	带头带爪白条鸡
0201	2-Piece cut-up (Split bird)		Poulet découpé en deux (demi-poulet)	Тушка, разделанная на 2 части (полутушки)	Pollo en mitades	半胴体
0202	4-Piece cut-up (Quartered bird)		Poulet découpé en quatre (quart de poulet)	Тушка, разделанная на 4 части (четвертины)	Pollo en cuartos	四分体
0203	6-Piece cut-up		Poulet découpé en six	Тушка, разделанная на 6 частей	Pollo trozado en 6, sin alas	六分体
0204	8-Piece cut-up, traditional		Poulet découpé en huit, selon un mode classique	Тушка, разделанная на 8 частей, традиционно	Pollo trozado en 8, tradicional	传统八分体

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0205	8-Piece cut-up, non-traditional		Poulet découpé en huit, selon un mode non classique	Тушка, разделанная на 8 частей, нетрадиционно	Pollo trozado en 8, no tradicional	非传统八分体
0206	9-Piece cut-up, traditional		Poulet découpé en neuf, selon un mode classique	Тушка, разделанная на 9 частей, традиционно	Pollo trozado en 9, tradicional	传统九分体
0207	9-Piece cut-up, country-cut		Poulet découpé en neuf, selon un mode particulier	Тушка, разделанная на 9 частей, разделка "Кантри"	Pollo trozado en 9, corte rústico	非传统九分体
0208	10-Piece cut-up		Poulet découpé en dix	Тушка, разделанная на 10 частей	Pollo trozado en 10	十分体
0301	Front half		Moitié antérieure (moitié ailes)	Передняя часть	Mitad delantera	前二分体
0302	Front half without wings (Whole breast with back)		Moitié antérieure sans ailes (poitrine entière avec dos)	Передняя часть без крыльев (целая грудка с прилегающей частью спинки)	Mitad delantera sin alas	不带翅前二分体
0401	Back half (Saddle)		Moitié postérieure (moitié cuisses)	Задняя часть	Mitad trasera	后二分体
0402	Back half without tail (Saddle)		Moitié postérieure sans croupion (moitié cuisses sans croupion)	Задняя часть без гузки	Mitad trasera sin rabadilla	不带尾后二分体
0501	Breast quarter		Quart antérieur (quart aile)	Передняя четвертина	Pechuga	胸四分体
0502	Split breast with back portion		Quart antérieur sans aile	Передняя четвертина без крыла	Media pechuga	带肩胸四分体
0601	Whole breast with ribs and tenderloins		Poitrine entière avec côtes et filets internes	Грудка с ребрами и малым филе	Pechuga entera, con costillas	带里脊大胸
0602	Bone-in whole breast		Poitrine entière non	Грудка с ребрами и крыльями	Pechuga entera, con costillas y	带骨带翅连大胸

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	with ribs and wings		désossée avec côtes et ailes		alas	
0603			Poitrine entière			
	Boneless whole breast with rib meat, without tenderloins		désossée avec viande de côtes, sans filets internes	Обваленная грудка с реберным мясом без малого филе	Pechuga entera, con carne de costillas, sin filete	无骨不带里脊大胸
0604			Poitrine entière			
	Boneless whole breast with tenderloins		désossée avec filets internes	Обваленная грудка с малым филе	Pechuga entera, con filete	无骨带里脊胸肉
0605			Poitrine entière			
	Boneless whole breast without tenderloins		désossée sans filets internes	Обваленная грудка без малого филе	Pechuga entera, sin filete	无骨不带里脊胸肉
0701			Moitié de poitrine non désossée avec côtes	Половина грудки с ребрами	Media pechuga, con costillas	带骨大胸 (半)
0702			Moitié de poitrine non désossée avec côtes et aile	Половина грудки с ребрами и крылом	Media pechuga, con costillas y alas	带骨翅根连大胸 (半)
0704			Moitié de poitrine désossée sans viande de côtes	Обваленная половина грудки без мякотных тканей прилегающих ребер	Media pechuga, parcialmente deshuesada	无骨小胸肉 (半)
0705			Moitié de poitrine partiellement désossée avec viande de côtes et premier segment d'aile	Частично обваленная половина грудки с мякотными тканями прилегающих ребер и плечевой частью крыла («воздушная» грудка или французская разделка)	Media pechuga, parcialmente deshuesada, con primer segmento del ala	部分剔骨翅根连胸 (半)
0801	Tenderloin (Inner fillet, tender, small fillet)		Filet (interne)	Малое филе	Filete	里脊
0802	Tenderloin (Inner fillet,		Filet (interne)	Малое филе без выступающей	Filete sin punta de tendón	去头里脊

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	tender, small fillet) with tendon tip off		avec tendon sectionné	части сухожилия		
0901	Leg with back portion (Leg quarter)		Quart cuisse	Задняя четвертина	Muslo con pierna	腿四分体
0902	Leg with back portion, without tail (Leg quarter without tail)		Quart cuisse sans croupion avec partie de dos	Задняя четвертина без гузки	Muslo con pierna, sin rabadilla	不带尾腿四分体
0903	Leg with back portion, without tail and abdominal fat (Leg quarter without tail and abdominal fat)		Quart cuisse sans croupion ni graisse abdominale avec partie de dos	Задняя четвертина без гузки и абдоминального жира	Muslo con pierna, sin rabadilla ni grasa abdominal	不带尾和肚油腿四分体
0904	Long-cut drumstick and thigh portion with back (Long-cut drum and thigh portion)		Pilon coupe longue et partie de haut de cuisse avec partie de dos	Голень с частью бедра и часть бедра с прилегающей спинкой	Muslo con pierna corte largo y espalda	长切带背全腿
1001	Whole leg (Short-cut leg)		Cuisse entière	Окорочок	Pierna entera	短切全腿
1002	Whole leg with abdominal fat (Half saddle without back)		Cuisse entière avec graisse abdominale	Окорочок с абдоминальным жиром (задняя часть без спинки)	Pierna entera con grasa abdominal	带肚油全腿
1003	Whole leg, long-cut (Long-cut leg)		Cuisse entière coupe longue	Окорочок с низким срезом голени	Pierna entera, corte largo	长切全腿
1004	Whole leg with thigh/drumstick incision (Short-cut Sujire)		Cuisse entière avec incision du haut de cuisse et du pilon	Окорочок с надрезом мышц бедра/голени	Pierna entera con muslo, con incisión en la parte alta del muslo	短切全腿 (大腿肉和琵琶腿肉切开)
1005	Whole leg, long-cut, with thigh/drumstick incision (Long-cut Sujire)		Cuisse entière coupe longue avec incision du haut de	Окорочок с низким срезом голени и надрезом мышц бедра/голени	Pierna entera, corte largo con incisión	长切全腿 (大腿肉和琵琶腿肉切开)

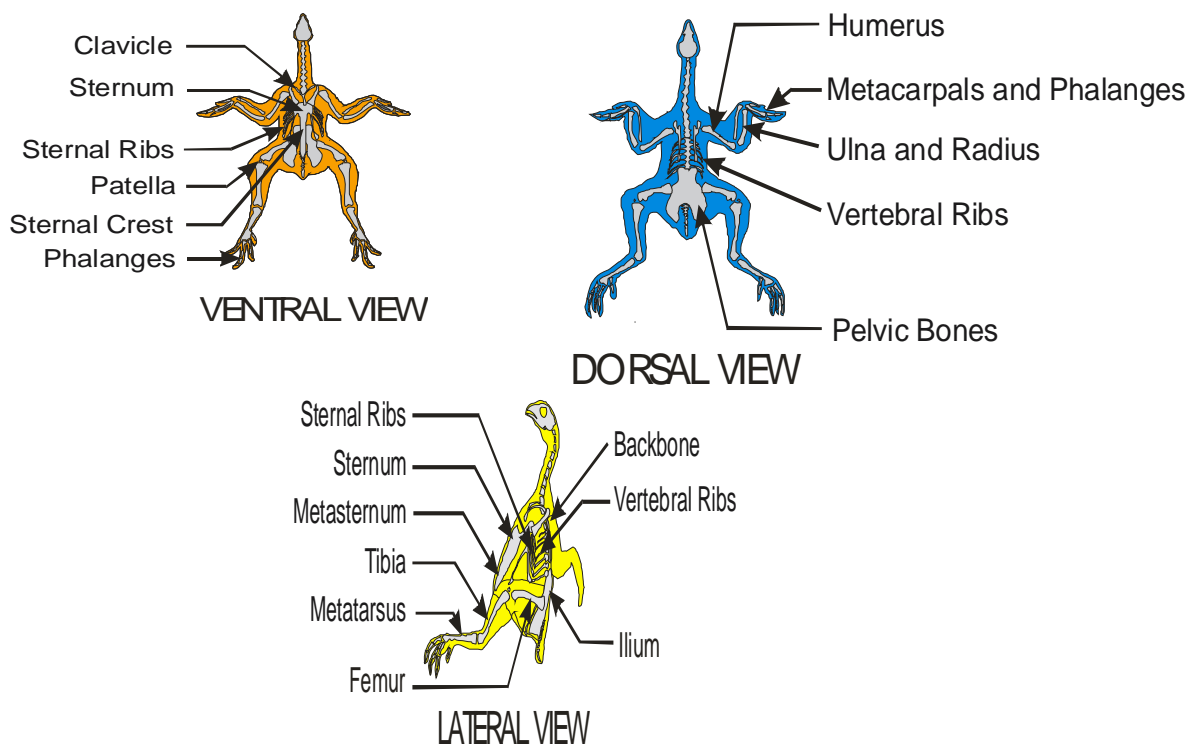
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			cuisse et du pilon			
1101	Thigh		Haut de cuisse	Бедро	Muslo	鸡大腿
1102	Bone-in thigh with back portion (Thigh quarter)		Haut de cuisse non désossé avec partie de dos	Бедро с частью спинки	Muslo con hueso y carcasa trasera	带背大腿肉
1103	Boneless thigh, trimmed		Haut de cuisse désossé paré	Обваленное жилованное бедро	Muslo deshuesado	无骨去皮大腿肉
1104	Boneless thigh, squared		Haut de cuisse désossé découpé en carré	Обваленное бедро квадратной формы	Muslo deshuesado cortado cuadrado	无骨方切大腿肉
1105	Boneless thigh, trimmed and squared		Haut de cuisse désossé paré et découpé en carré	Обваленное жилованное бедро квадратной формы	Muslo deshuesado en dos trozos	无骨去皮方切大腿肉
1201	Drumstick (Drum)		Pilon	Голень	Pierna	琵琶腿
1202	Slant-cut drumstick (Drum portion)		Pilon coupe oblique	Кососрезанная голень	Pierna corte oblicuo	斜切琵琶腿
1301	Whole wing		Aile entière	Крыло	Ala entera	整翅
1302	1 st and 2 nd Segment wing (V-wing)		Premier et deuxième segments d'aile (coupe en V)	Плечевая и локтевая части крыла, соединенные V-образно	1 ^{er} y 2 ^o segmento del ala (ala en V)	V形翅 (第1和2节)
1303	2 nd and 3 rd Segment wing (2-joint wing, wing portion)		Deuxième et troisième segments d'aile	Локтевая часть крыла с кистью	2 ^o y 3 ^{er} segmento del ala	上半翅 (第2和3节)
1304	1 st Segment wing (Wing drumette)		Premier segment d'aile	Плечевая часть крыла («драммет», плечо)	1 ^{er} segmento del ala	翅根 (第一节)
1305	2 nd Segment wing (Wing flat, mid-joint)		Deuxième segment d'aile	Локтевая часть крыла («флэт»)	2 ^o segmento del ala	翅中 (第2节)
1306	3 rd Segment wing (Wing tip, flipper)		Troisième segment d'aile	Кисть крыла (кончик, флиппер)	3 ^{er} segmento del ala (punta de ala)	翅尖 (第3节)
1307	1 st Segment and 2 nd		Premiers et deuxièmes	Плечевая и локтевая части	Primer y segundo	下半翅

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	Segment wings (Disjointed wings)		segments d'aile [séparés]	крыла	segmentos del ala separados	(第1和2节)
1308	Wings with back attached, whole (Pipistrelli-cut)		Ailes avec dos attaché, entières	Крылья с прилегающей частью спинки (разделка «Пипистрелли»)	Alas con carcasa trasera	带肩翅
1401	Stripped lower back		Bas de dos dépouillé	Нижняя часть спинки после частичной или полной обвалки	Carcasa trasera sin carne	背肉块
1402	Lower back		Bas de dos	Нижняя часть спинки	Carcasa trasera	背肉
1403	Upper back		Haut de dos	Верхняя часть спинки	Carcasa delantera	肩肉
1404	Whole back		Dos entier	Спинка	Carcasa entera sin costillas	肩背肉
1501	Tail		Croupion	Гузка	Rabadilla	鸡尾
1601	Neck		Cou	Обработанная шея	Cogote	鸡脖
1701	Head		Tête	Обработанная голова	Cabeza	鸡头
1801	Processed paws		Parties inférieures de pattes préparées	Обработанные плюсны ног	Patas procesadas	加工小凤爪
1802	Processed feet		Pattes préparées	Обработанные ноги	Patas largas procesadas	加工大凤爪
1803	Unprocessed paws		Parties inférieures de pattes non préparées	Необработанные плюсны ног	Patas sin procesar	小凤爪
1804	Unprocessed feet		Pattes non préparées	Необработанные ноги	Patas largas sin procesar	大凤爪
1901	Gizzards, processed		Gésiers, préparés	Обработанный мышечный желудок	Mollejas procesadas	鸡肫
1902	Gizzards, butterfly-cut		Gésiers, coupe en papillon	Мышечный желудок, обработанный и разрезанный в виде бабочки	Mollejas, corte mariposa	蝴蝶形鸡肫
1903	Gizzards, V-style cut (V-style gizzards)		Gésiers, coupe en V	Мышечный желудок, обработанный и V-образно разрезанный	Mollejas, corte en V	V形鸡肫

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2001	Livers		Foies	Печень обработанная	Hígados	鸡肝
2101	Hearts, cap-off		Cœurs, sans «coiffe»	Сердце обработанное без верхушки аортального клапана	Corazones sin casquete	去盖鸡心
2102	Hearts, cap-on		Cœurs, avec «coiffe»	Сердце необработанное	Corazones con casquete	带盖鸡心
2201	Testes (Fries, testicles)		Testicules	Семенники	Testículos	睾丸
2301	Breast skin		Peau de poitrine	Кожа грудки	Piel de la pechuga	胸皮
2302	Thigh/leg skin		Peau de haut de cuisse/cuisse	Кожа бедр/окорочка	Piel del muslo y pierna	腿皮
2303	Body skin		Peau de corps	Кожа тушки	Piel del cuerpo	鸡皮
2401	Abdominal fat (Leaf fat)		Graisse abdominale	Абдоминальный жир (листовой жир)	Grasa abdominal	鸡肚油
4001	2-Product combinations (2-product combo)		Combinaison de deux produits	Набор из двух видов продуктов	Combinación de dos productos	2件套
4002	3-Product combinations (3-product combo)		Combinaison de trois produits	Набор из трех видов продуктов	Combinación de tres productos	3件套
4003	4-Product combinations (4-product combo)		Combinaison de quatre produits	Набор из четырех видов продуктов	Combinación de cuatro productos	4件套

5.2 Chicken skeletal diagram explanation

Two of the three skeletal diagrams of a whole chicken shown below are used to illustrate the composition of each poultry product. These three diagrams show the major bones of the chicken in dorsal or back view (in pink), ventral or breast view (in green), and lateral or side view (in yellow). The shaded areas of views for the particular product represents the portion and muscles of the chicken included in that product.



5.3 Chicken meat parts

0101 WHOLE BIRD

A “whole bird” consists of an intact carcass with all parts, including the breast, thighs, drumsticks, wings, back and abdominal fat. The head and feet are removed, and the oil gland and tail may or may not be present. The neck with or without skin and gizzard, heart and liver (giblet pack) are included as separate parts.

0102 WHOLE BIRD WITHOUT GIBLETS

A “whole bird without giblets” consists of an intact carcass with all parts, including the breast, thighs, drumsticks, wings, back and abdominal fat. The head and neck with skin, feet, gizzard, heart and liver are removed. The oil gland and tail may or may not be present.

0103 BONELESS WHOLE BIRD WITHOUT GIBLETS AND WINGS

A “boneless whole bird without giblets and wings” consists of an intact carcass with the breast, thigh, and drumstick meat. The head and neck with skin, wings, feet, gizzard, heart and liver, oil gland and tail are removed.

0104 WHOLE BIRD WITHOUT GIBLETS, WITH LONG-CUT DRUMSTICKS (SHANK)

A “whole bird without giblets, with long-cut drumstick” consists of an intact carcass with all parts, including the breast, thighs, long-cut drumsticks, wings, back and abdominal fat. The head and neck with skin, paws, gizzard, heart and liver, are removed. The tail may or may not be present.

0105 WHOLE BIRD WITHOUT GIBLETS, WITH HALF NECK

A “whole bird without giblets, with half neck” consists of an intact carcase with one-half of the neck attached with all parts, including the breast, thighs, drumsticks, wings, back and abdominal fat. The head, one-half of the neck, feet, gizzard, heart and liver are removed. The oil gland and tail may or may not be present.

0106 WHOLE BIRD WITHOUT GIBLETS, WITH WHOLE NECK

A “whole bird without giblets, with whole neck” consists of an intact carcase with the neck attached with all parts, including the breast, thighs, drumsticks, wings, back and abdominal fat. The head, feet, gizzard, heart, and liver are removed. The oil gland and tail may or may not be present.

0107 WHOLE BIRD WITHOUT GIBLETS, WITH HEAD

A “whole bird without giblets, with head” consists of an intact carcase with the head attached with all parts, including the breast, thighs, drumsticks, wings, back and abdominal fat. The feet, gizzard, heart and liver are removed. The oil gland and tail may or may not be present.

0108 WHOLE BIRD WITHOUT GIBLETS, WITH HEAD AND FEET

A “whole bird without giblets, with head and feet” consists of an intact carcase with the head and feet attached. All parts, including the breast, thighs, drumsticks, wings, back and abdominal fat are also attached. The gizzard, heart and liver are removed. The oil gland and tail may or may not be present.

0201 TWO-PIECE CUT-UP (SPLIT BIRD)

A “2-piece cut-up” bird is produced by splitting a whole bird without giblets (0102) end to end through the back and breast to produce approximately equal left and right carcase halves. The oil gland, tail and abdominal fat may or may not be present. Individual parts may or may not come from the same bird.

0202 FOUR-PIECE CUT-UP (QUARTERED BIRD)

A “4-piece cut-up” bird is produced by cutting a whole bird without giblets (0102) into 2 breast quarters with wings attached and 2 leg quarters. The oil gland, tail and abdominal fat may or may not be present. Individual parts may or may not come from the same bird.

0203 SIX-PIECE CUT-UP

A “6-piece cut-up” bird is produced by cutting a whole bird without giblets (0102) into 2 split breasts with back and rib portions, 2 drumsticks, 2 thighs with back portion. The wings are removed. The oil gland, tail and abdominal fat may or may not be present. Individual parts may or may not come from the same bird.

0204 EIGHT-PIECE CUT-UP, TRADITIONAL

An “8-piece traditional cut-up” bird is produced by cutting a whole bird without giblets (0102) into

2 split breasts with back and rib portions, 2 drumsticks, 2 thighs with back portion, and 2 wings. The oil gland, tail and abdominal fat may or may not be present. Individual parts may or may not come from the same bird.

0205 EIGHT-PIECE CUT-UP, NON-TRADITIONAL

A “8-piece non-traditional cut-up” bird is produced by cutting a whole bird without giblets (0102) into eight pieces specified by the buyer or seller. The oil gland, tail and abdominal fat may or may not be present. Individual parts may or may not come from the same bird.

0206 NINE-PIECE CUT-UP, TRADITIONAL

A “9-piece traditional cut-up” bird is produced by cutting a whole bird without giblets (0102) into

1 breast portion containing the clavicle, 2 split breasts with back and rib portions, 2 drumsticks,

2 thighs with back portion, and 2 wings. The oil gland, tail and abdominal fat may or may not be present. Individual parts may or may not come from the same bird.

0207 NINE-PIECE CUT-UP, COUNTRY-CUT

A “9-piece country-cut cut-up” bird is produced by cutting a whole bird without giblets (0102) into 1 lower breast portion, 2 upper split breasts portions (with back and rib portions), 2 drumsticks, 2 thighs with back portion, and 2 wings. The oil gland, tail and abdominal fat may or may not be present. Individual parts may or may not come from the same bird.

0208 TEN-PIECE CUT-UP

A “10-piece cut-up” bird is produced by cutting a whole bird without giblets (0102) into 4 equal breast portions with back and ribs, 2 thighs with back portion, 2 drumsticks, and 2 wings. The oil gland, tail and abdominal fat may or may not be present. Individual parts may or may not come from the same bird.

0301 FRONT HALF

A “front half” is produced by cutting a whole bird without giblets (0102) perpendicular to the backbone at the ilium just above the femur and downward to the tip of the metasternum. The front half consists of a full breast with the adjacent back portion and both wings attached.

0302 FRONT HALF WITHOUT WINGS (WHOLE BREAST WITH BACK)

A “front half without wings” is produced by cutting a whole bird without giblets (0102) perpendicular to the backbone at the ilium just above the femur and downward to the tip of the metasternum, and removing the wings. The front half without wings consists of a full breast with the adjacent back portion.

0401 BACK HALF (SADDLE)

A “back half” is produced by cutting a whole bird without giblets (0102) perpendicular to the backbone at the ilium just above the femur and downward to the tip of the metasternum. The back half consists of both legs with the adjoining portion of the back, adjacent abdominal fat, and tail. The oil gland may or may not be removed.

0402 BACK HALF WITHOUT TAIL (SADDLE)

A “back half without tail” is produced by cutting a whole bird without giblets (0102) perpendicular to the backbone at the ilium just above the femur and downward to the tip of the metasternum. The back half without tail consists of both legs with the adjoining portion of the back and adjacent abdominal fat.

0501 BREAST QUARTER

A “breast quarter” is produced by cutting a front half (0301) along the sternum and back into two approximately equal portions. The breast quarter consists of half of a breast with the attached wing and a portion of the back.

0502 SPLIT BREAST WITH BACK PORTION

A “split breast with back portion” is produced by cutting a front half without wings (0302) along the sternum and back into two approximately equal portions. The split breast with back portion consists of half of a breast with a portion of the back attached.

0601 WHOLE BREAST WITH RIBS AND TENDERLOINS

A “whole breast with ribs and tenderloins” is produced from a front half without wings (0302) by separating the entire breast from the back by cutting along the junction of the vertebral and sternal ribs. The neck skin and back are removed. The whole breast with ribs and tenderloins consists of the entire breast with rib meat and tenderloins.

0602 BONE-IN WHOLE BREAST WITH RIBS AND WINGS

A “bone-in whole breast with ribs and wings” is produced from a front half (0301) by separating the entire breast from the back by cutting along the junction of the vertebral and sternal ribs. The neck skin and back are removed. The whole breast with ribs and wings consists of the entire breast with ribs, tenderloins, and wings.

0603 BONELESS WHOLE BREAST WITH RIB MEAT, WITHOUT TENDERLOINS

A “boneless whole breast with rib meat, without tenderloins” is produced from a front half without wings (0302) by separating the entire breast from the back by cutting along the junction of the vertebral and sternal ribs. The back, tenderloins, neck skin and bones are removed. The boneless whole breast with rib meat, without tenderloins consists of an entire boneless breast with rib meat.

0604 BONELESS WHOLE BREAST WITH TENDERLOINS

A “boneless whole breast with tenderloins” is produced from a front half without wings (0302) by separating the entire breast from the back by cutting along the junction of the vertebral and sternal ribs. The back, rib meat, neck skin and bones are removed. The boneless whole breast with tenderloins consists of an entire boneless breast with tenderloins.

0605 BONELESS WHOLE BREAST WITHOUT TENDERLOINS

A “boneless whole breast without tenderloins” is produced from a front half without wings (0302) by separating the entire breast from the back by cutting along the junction of the vertebral and sternal ribs. The back, rib meat, tenderloins, neck skin and bones are removed. The boneless whole breast

without tenderloins consists of an entire boneless breast without the tenderloins.

0701 BONE-IN SPLIT BREAST WITH RIBS

A "bone-in split breast with ribs" is produced by cutting a bone-in whole breast with ribs and tenderloins (0601) into two approximately equal portions along the centre of the sternum. A bone-in split breast with ribs consists of one-half of a whole breast with the attached rib meat, tenderloin, and bones.

0702 BONE-IN SPLIT BREAST WITH RIBS AND WING

A "bone-in split breast with ribs and wing" is produced by cutting a bone-in whole breast with ribs and wings (0602) into two approximately equal portions along the centre of the sternum. A split breast with ribs and wing consists of one-half of a whole breast with the attached rib meat, wing, tenderloin, and bones.

0704 BONELESS SPLIT BREAST WITHOUT RIB MEAT

A "boneless split breast without rib meat" is produced by cutting a bone-in whole breast with ribs and tenderloins (0601) into two approximately equal portions along the centre of the sternum. The rib meat and bones are removed. A boneless split breast without rib meat consists of one-half of a whole breast. The tenderloin may or may not be present.

0705 PARTIALLY BONELESS SPLIT BREAST WITH RIB MEAT AND FIRST SEGMENT WING (AIRLINE BREAST OR FRENCH CUT)

A "partially boneless split breast with rib meat and first segment wing" is produced by cutting a bone-in whole breast with ribs and wings (0602) into two approximately equal portions along the centre of the sternum, and removing the second and third wing segments and the breast bones. A partially boneless split breast with rib meat and first segment wing consists of one-half of a whole breast with rib meat and the first segment of the wing (with humerus bone). The tenderloin may or may not be present.

0801 TENDERLOIN (INNER FILLET, TENDER, SMALL FILLET)

A "tenderloin" is produced by separating the inner pectoral muscle from the breast and the sternum. The inner fillet consists of a single intact muscle with the embedded tendon.

0802 TENDERLOIN (INNER FILLET, TENDER, SMALL FILLET) WITH TENDON TIP OFF

A "tenderloin with tendon tip off" is produced by separating the inner pectoral muscle from the breast and the sternum. The protruding portion of the tendon is removed. The inner fillet with tendon tip off consists of a single intact muscle.

0901 LEG WITH BACK PORTION (LEG QUARTER)

A "leg with back portion" is produced by cutting a back half (0401) along the centre of the backbone into two approximately equal parts. The leg with back portion consists of an intact part that includes the drumstick, thigh with adjoining portion of the back, abdominal fat, and tail.

0902 LEG WITH BACK PORTION, WITHOUT TAIL (LEG QUARTER WITHOUT TAIL)

A “leg with back portion, without tail” is produced by cutting a back half without tail (0402) along the centre of the backbone into two approximately equal parts. The leg with back portion, without tail consists of an intact part that includes the drumstick, thigh with adjoining portion of the back, and abdominal fat.

0903 LEG WITH BACK PORTION, WITHOUT TAIL AND ABDOMINAL FAT (LEG QUARTER WITHOUT TAIL AND ABDOMINAL FAT)

A “leg quarter without tail and abdominal fat” is produced by cutting a back half without tail (0402) along the centre of the backbone into two approximately equal parts and removing the abdominal fat. The leg quarter without tail and abdominal fat consists of an intact part that includes the drumstick and thigh with adjoining portion of the back.

0904 LONG-CUT DRUMSTICK AND THIGH PORTION WITH BACK (LONG-CUT DRUM AND THIGH PORTION)

A “long-cut drumstick and thigh portion with back” is produced by cutting a leg quarter without tail (0902) through the thigh nearly parallel with the plane of the backbone just above the condyle. The long-cut drumstick and thigh portion with back consists of two parts: a drumstick with a portion of the thigh attached and the remaining thigh with the back portion and abdominal fat attached.

1001 WHOLE LEG (SHORT-CUT LEG)

A “whole leg” is produced by separating a leg from a back half (0401) between the junction of the femur and pelvic bone. The abdominal fat and back are removed. Skin may or may not be trimmed. The whole leg consists of the thigh and drumstick.

1002 WHOLE LEG WITH ABDOMINAL FAT (HALF SADDLE WITHOUT BACK)

A “whole leg with abdominal fat” is produced by separating a leg from a back half (0401) between the junction of the femur and pelvic bone and removing the back. The whole leg with abdominal fat consists of the drumstick and thigh with associated skin and abdominal fat.

1003 WHOLE LEG, LONG-CUT (LONG-CUT LEG)

A “whole long-cut leg” is produced by cutting a whole bird without giblets, with long-cut drumsticks (0104) perpendicular to the backbone at the ilium just above the femur and downward to the tip of the metasternum, and then separating a leg between the junction of the femur and pelvic bone. The back and a portion of the foot just below the spur are removed. The long-cut leg consists of thigh, drumstick, and a portion of the shank.

1004 WHOLE LEG, WITH THIGH/DRUMSTICK INCISION (SHORT-CUT SUJIIRE)

A “whole leg with thigh/drumstick incision” is produced by separating a leg from a back half (0401) between the junction of the femur and pelvic bone and removing the back. The skin is trimmed. An incision is made through the muscle along the thigh and drumstick bones. The whole leg with thigh/drumstick incision consists of the thigh and drumstick.

1005 WHOLE LEG, LONG-CUT WITH THIGH/DRUMSTICK INCISION (LONG-CUT SUJIIRE)

A “whole long-cut leg with thigh/drumstick incision” is produced by separating a leg from a back half (0401) between the junction of the femur and pelvic bone. The back and a portion of the foot just below the spur are removed and an incision is made through the muscle along the thigh and drumstick bones. The long-cut leg with thigh/drumstick incision consists of thigh, drumstick, and a portion of the shank.

1101 THIGH

A “thigh” is produced by cutting a whole leg (1001) at the joint between the tibia and the femur. The drumstick and patella are removed. The thigh consists of the thigh and associated fat. Meat adjacent to the ilium (oyster meat) may or may not be present.

1102 BONE-IN THIGH WITH BACK PORTION (THIGH QUARTER)

A “thigh with back portion” is produced by cutting a leg quarter (0901) at the joint between the tibia and the femur. The drumstick, patella, and abdominal fat are removed. The thigh with back portion consists of the thigh, attached back portion, and associated fat. The oil gland, tail, and meat adjacent to the ilium (oyster meat) may or may not be present.

1103 BONELESS THIGH, TRIMMED

A “boneless trimmed thigh” is produced by cutting a whole leg (1001) at the joint between the tibia and the femur. The drumstick, patella, femur bone, and nearly all visible fat are removed. The boneless trimmed thigh consists of the thigh meat. The meat adjacent to the ilium (oyster meat) may or may not be present.

1104 BONELESS THIGH, SQUARED

A “boneless squared thigh” is produced by cutting a whole leg (1001) at the joint between the tibia and the femur. The drumstick, patella, femur bone, and meat adjacent to the ilium (oyster meat) are removed. The boneless squared thigh consists of the thigh meat cut to a squared appearance.

1105 BONELESS THIGH, TRIMMED AND SQUARED

A “boneless trimmed and squared thigh” is produced by cutting a whole leg (1001) at the joint between the tibia and the femur. The drumstick, patella, femur bone, nearly all visible fat, and the meat adjacent to the ilium (oyster meat) are removed. The boneless trimmed and squared thigh consists of the thigh meat cut to a squared appearance.

1201 DRUMSTICK (DRUM)

A “drumstick” is produced by cutting a whole leg (1001) through the joint between the tibia and femur. The thigh is removed. The drumstick consists of the tibia, fibula, patella and associated muscles.

1202 SLANT-CUT DRUMSTICK (DRUM PORTION)

A “slant-cut drumstick” is produced by cutting a whole leg (1001) along the tibia of the drumstick and through the joint between the tibia and femur. The thigh and a portion of the meat on one side of the drumstick are removed.

The slant-cut drumstick consists of a portion of the tibia, fibula, patella and associated muscles.

1301 WHOLE WING

A “whole wing” is produced by cutting the wing from a whole bird without giblets (0102) at the joint between the humerus and the backbone. The wing consists of: the first segment (drummette) containing the humerus that attaches the wing to the body, second segment (flat) containing the ulna and radius, and the third segment (tip) containing the metacarpals and phalanges.

1302 FIRST AND SECOND SEGMENT WING (V-WING)

A “first and second segment wing” is produced by cutting a whole wing (1301) between the second and third wing segment. The third segment (tip) is removed. The first and second segment wing consists of: the segment containing the humerus that attaches the wing to the body (drummette), and the segment containing the ulna and radius (flat).

1303 SECOND AND THIRD SEGMENT WING (2-JOINT WING, WING PORTION)

A “second and third segment wing” is produced by cutting a whole wing (1301) between the first and second wing segment. The first segment (drummette) is removed. The second and third segment wing consists of the segment containing the ulna and radius (flat), and the segment containing the metacarpals and phalanges (tip).

1304 FIRST SEGMENT WING (WING DRUMMETTE)

A “first segment wing” is produced by cutting a whole wing (1301) between the first and second segments. The second and third segments (flat and tip) are removed. The first segment wing consists of the first segment containing the humerus that attaches the wing to the body.

1305 SECOND SEGMENT WING (WING FLAT, MID-JOINT)

A “second segment wing” is produced by cutting a whole wing (1301) between the first and second segments and the second and third segments. The first and third segments (drummette and tip) are removed. The second segment wing consists of the second segment containing the ulna and radius.

1306 THIRD SEGMENT WING (WING TIP, FLIPPER)

A “third segment wing” is produced by cutting a whole wing (1301) between the second and third segments. The first and second segments (drummette and flat) are removed. The third segment wing consists of the third segment containing the metacarpals and phalanges.

1307 FIRST SEGMENT AND SECOND SEGMENT WINGS (DISJOINTED WINGS)

“First segment and second segment wings” are produced by cutting a whole wing (1301) between the second and third segments. The third segment (tip) is removed. The joint between the first and second segments is then cut to separate the first and second segments (drummette and flat). First segment and second segment wings consists of approximate equal numbers of first and second segments packaged together.

1308 WINGS WITH BACK ATTACHED, WHOLE (PIPISTRELLI-CUT)

A “whole wings with back attached” is produced by separating the whole wings with back from the breast and back half of a whole bird without giblets (0102) and the mid backbone region. The whole wings with back attached consists of: 2 wings consisting of the humerus (drummette), ulna and radius (flat), and the metacarpals and phalanges (tip), and a portion of the upper backbone attached.

1401 STRIPPED LOWER BACK

A “stripped lower back” is produced by cutting along the pelvic bones to separate the legs from the back half (0401). The stripped lower back consists of the lower backbone, ilium, and pelvic bones with most, if not all, of the meat and skin removed. The tail, abdominal fat, and portions of the kidneys and testes may or may not be present.

1402 LOWER BACK

A “lower back” is produced by cutting a back half (0401) through the joint between the femur the pelvic bone to remove each of the legs. The lower back consists of the lower backbone, ilium, and pelvic bones with attached meat and skin. The tail, abdominal fat, and portions of the kidneys and testes may or may not be present.

1403 UPPER BACK

An “upper back” is produced by cutting a front half without wings (0302) along each side of the backbone to remove the breast and vertebral ribs. The upper back consists of the upper backbone (approximately 1.6 cm (5/8 inch) in width) with attached meat and skin.

1404 WHOLE BACK

A “whole back” is produced by cutting a whole bird without giblets (0102) perpendicular to the backbone at the junction of the neck. A cut is then made parallel along each side of the backbone through the vertebral ribs down to the base of the ilium, and along the outer edge of the pelvic bones. The whole back consists of the entire backbone, ilium, and pelvic bones with attached meat and skin. The tail, abdominal fat, and portions of the kidneys and testes may or may not be present.

1501 TAIL

The “tail” is produced by cutting the carcass through the backbones and the base of the ilium, and removing the carcass. The tail consists of the tailbones with attached meat and skin.

1601 NECK

The “neck” is produced by cutting the neck from the carcass at the shoulder joint and removing the head. The neck consists of the neck bones with attached meat.

1701 HEAD

The “head” is produced by cutting the carcass at the upper neck and removing the carcass. The head consists of the skull bones and contents with attached beak, meat, and skin.

1801 PROCESSED PAWS

A “processed paw” is produced by cutting a carcass leg through the metatarsus approximately at the metatarsal spur. The nail sheaths, thin yellow epidermal skin covering the paw, and carcass are removed. A processed paw consists of a portion of the metatarsus and four digits (phalanges) with attached meat and skin.

1802 PROCESSED FEET

A “processed foot” is produced by cutting a carcass leg at the joints between the metatarsus and the tibia. The carcass is removed. The nail sheaths and thin yellow epidermal skin covering the foot are removed. A processed foot consists of the metatarsus and four digits (phalanges) with attached meat and skin.

1803 UNPROCESSED PAWS

An “unprocessed paw” is produced by cutting a carcass leg at the joint between the metatarsus approximately at the metatarsal spur. The carcass is removed. A paw consists of a portion of the metatarsus and four digits (phalanges), with attached meat and skin. The nail sheaths and thin yellow epidermal skin covering the foot are not removed.

1804 UNPROCESSED FEET

An “unprocessed foot” is produced by cutting a carcass leg at the joint between the metatarsus and the tibia. The carcass is removed. A foot consists of the metatarsus and four digits (phalanges) with attached meat and skin. The nail sheaths and thin yellow epidermal skin covering the foot are not removed.

1901 GIZZARDS, PROCESSED

The “gizzard” is removed from a carcass body cavity. Gizzards are mechanically cut and processed by removing the inner lining and contents. Fat and other adhering organs are removed. The gizzard consists of one or more irregularly shaped pieces of the enlarged muscular portion of the digestive canal.

1902 GIZZARDS, BUTTERFLY-CUT

The “butterfly-cut gizzard” is removed from a carcass body cavity. Gizzards are mechanically cut open horizontally and processed by removing the inner lining and contents. Fat and other adhering organs are removed. The butterfly-cut gizzard consists of one slightly irregularly shaped, muscular portion of the digestive canal.

1903 GIZZARDS, V-STYLE CUT (V-STYLE GIZZARDS)

The “v-style gizzard” is removed from a carcass body cavity. Gizzards are mechanically cut open vertically and processed by removing the inner lining and contents. Fat and other adhering organs are removed. The gizzard consists of one slightly irregularly shaped, muscular portion of the digestive canal.

2001 LIVERS

The “liver” is removed from a carcass body cavity. The bile sac (gall bladder) is removed. The liver consists of a smooth brownish to reddish coloured organ with one or more lobes that is irregular in shape and size.

2101 HEARTS, CAP-OFF

The “cap-off heart” is removed from a carcass body cavity. Fat attached to the heart, the pericardial sac, and the aortal cap are removed. The cap-off heart consists of a muscular organ that circulates blood.

2102 HEARTS, CAP-ON

The “cap-on heart” is removed from a carcass body cavity. Fat attached to the heart, the pericardial sac, and the aortal cap are not removed. The cap-on heart consists of a single muscular piece that circulates blood with associated heart tissue.

2201 TESTES (FRIES, TESTICLES)

“Testes” are removed from a carcass body cavity. Testes consist of membrane-covered, bean-shaped bodies that are the male chicken reproductive organs.

2301 BREAST SKIN

“Breast skin” consists of the exterior layer of tissue that encloses the breast area from a carcass, whole breast, or split breast. The neck skin is not present.

2302 THIGH/LEG SKIN

“Thigh/leg skin” consists of the exterior layer of tissue that encloses the thigh or leg area of a carcass, back half, or leg.

2303 BODY SKIN

“Body skin” consists of the exterior layer of tissue that encloses the entire carcass, excluding the neck area.

2401 ABDOMINAL FAT (LEAF FAT)

Chicken “abdominal fat” consists of a mass of adipose tissue located in the abdominal cavity adjacent to the pelvic bones.

4001 TWO-PRODUCT COMBINATIONS (2-PRODUCT COMBO)

A “two-product combination” consists of two chicken parts (e.g. drumsticks and thighs) or products (e.g. gizzards and livers) that are packaged together or packed in the same package or shipping container.

When placing an order, indicate in writing the product/part code for each product to be delivered, and include the product ratio (e.g. 2 drumsticks per 1 thigh, or equal proportions (1:1) of gizzards and livers).

4002 THREE-PRODUCT COMBINATIONS (3-PRODUCT COMBO)

A “three-product combination” consists of three chicken parts (e.g. drumsticks, thighs, and wings) or products (e.g. necks, gizzards, and livers) that are packaged together or packed in the same package or shipping container.

When placing an order, indicate in writing the product/part code for each product to be delivered, and include the product ratio (e.g. 2 drumsticks and 2 wings, per 1 thigh, or equal proportions (1:1:1) of necks, gizzards, and livers).

4003 FOUR-PRODUCT COMBINATIONS (4-PRODUCT COMBO)

A “four-product combination” consists of four chicken parts (e.g. breast, drumsticks, thighs, and wings) or products (e.g., necks, gizzards, livers, and hearts) that are packaged together or packed in the same package or shipping container.

When placing an order, indicate in writing the product/part code for each product to be delivered, and include the product ratio (e.g. equal proportions (1:1:1:1) of breasts, drumsticks, thighs, and wings).
