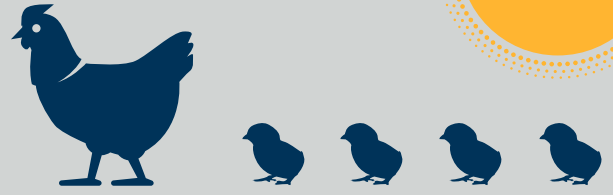


POULTRY CLASSIFICATIONS

Poultry class definitions are based on the sex and age of the bird when harvested.



Cornish Game Hen

Immature chicken less than five weeks old, of either sex, with a ready-to-cook carcass weight of two pounds or less.

Broiler or Fryer

Chicken less than 13 weeks old, of either sex, that is tender-meated with soft, pliable, smooth-textured skin and flexible breastbone cartilage.

Roaster or Roasting

Young chicken less than 12 weeks old, of either sex, with a ready-to-cook carcass weight of 5.5 pounds or more, that is tender-meated with soft, pliable, smooth-textured skin and breastbone cartilage that is somewhat less flexible than that of a broiler or fryer.

Capon

A surgically neutered male chicken younger than 8 months old that is tender-meated with soft, pliable, smooth-textured skin.

Fryer-Roasting Turkey

Immature turkey younger than 16 weeks old of either sex, that is tender-meated with soft, pliable, smooth-textured skin, and flexible breastbone cartilage.

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