



ANIMAL CARE PROGRAM ANIMAL CONFINEMENT¹: IMPORTANT DATES

UPCOMING DATE

JANUARY 1, 2024

Producers² required to have a valid Certificate of Compliance³.
Distributors⁴ required to have a valid Certificate of Compliance for new registrations and for the purposes of renewal.

PAST DATES

January 1, 2020

Final confinement standards went into effect for calves⁵

January 1, 2022

Final confinement standards went into effect for egg-laying hens⁶ and breeding pigs⁷

September 1, 2022

Animal Confinement Regulations Effective

Shipping documents⁸ accompanying covered product⁹ transported into or within California must have required markings for the respective covered product.

January 1, 2023

**Distributors required to be registered with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA).
CDFA will continue to accept applications for distributor registration into 2023.**

¹ Animal Confinement laws include [HSC §§ 25990-25994](#) and [3 CCR §§ 1320-1327.3](#).

² Producers includes egg producer, veal producer, and pork producer as defined in 3 CCR §§ [1320\(m\)](#), [1321\(dd\)](#), and [1322\(u\)](#), respectively. Certification requirement for producers described in 3 CCR §§ [1320.1](#), [1321.1](#) and [1322.1](#).

³ Certificate of Compliance as described in 3 CCR § [1326\(d\)](#) and used throughout Animal Confinement regulations.

⁴ Distributors includes egg distributor, veal distributor, and pork distributor as defined in 3 CCR §§ [1320\(k\)](#), [1321\(cc\)](#), and [1322\(t\)](#).

⁵ Certificate of Compliance as described in 3 CCR §§ [1320.2](#), [1321.2](#), and [1322.2](#).

⁶ Calf as defined in 3 CCR §§ [1321\(c\)](#) and [\(s\)](#).

⁷ Egg-laying hen as defined in 3 CCR § [1320\(l\)](#).

⁸ Breeding pig as defined in 3 CCR § [1322\(c\)](#).

⁹ Shipping documents include documents of title, shipping invoices, bills of lading, and shipping manifests as described in 3 CCR §§ [1320.4](#), [1321.4](#), and [1322.4](#).

⁹ Covered product as defined in 3 CCR § [1326\(l\)](#).

