INTERIOR EGG QUALITY

Quality based on air cell depth

Measuring Air Cell Depth
Point from which to measure air cell depth

OFFICIAL EGG AIR CELL GAUGE

AA QUALITY 1/16 inch
A QUALITY 3/32 inch
Air cell depth

EXTERIOR EGGS
Exterior egg quality

- Cleanliness
- Egg shape
- Shell texture
- Shell thickness

Cleanliness

Grade A eggs must be clean.
Cleanliness

ONE SIDE OF AN EGG

Grade A: Clean

Grade B: Moderate localized stain covering less than 1/32 of the shell

Grade B: Moderate scattered stain but covering less than 1/16 of the shell
Cleanliness

*Dirty:* Scattered moderate stains covering more than 1/16 of the shell

*Dirty:* Localized moderate stain covering more than 1/32 of the shell

*Dirty:* Prominent stain

Cleanliness – adhering material
Egg shape

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Shell texture – calcium deposits
Shell texture – ridges

Shell texture – roughness
Shell texture – body checks

Shell thickness
Egg cartons

- **Critical factor**
  - Checked or cracked
  - Adhering material
  - Prominent stain

- **Major factor**
  - Body check
  - Mixed color
  - Uneven size

- **Minor factor**
  - Irregular shape
  - Calcium deposit
  - Definite ridges
  - Slight stain