POULTRY WELFARE AUDITOR COURSE

education / training / certification

October 7 - 9, 2019
Guelph, Ontario, Canada

Presented by:
Professional Animal Auditor Certification Organization
and the Poultry Industry Council

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COURSE GOAL
To train potential poultry welfare auditors using as a basis the welfare criteria and standards generally found and accepted in industry audits for broilers, turkeys and egg layers.

OVERVIEW
The Poultry Welfare Auditor Course conducted by the Professional Animal Auditor Certification Organization (PAACO) is the certification course for broiler, layer and turkey auditors. PAACO is an organization of eight professional animal organizations with extensive expertise on best management practices and current science in animal agriculture. The organization’s purpose is to promote the humane treatment of animals through education and certification of animal auditors as well as the review and/or certification of animal audit instruments, assessments and programs. The current organizations are:

- American Association of Avian Pathologists (AAAP)
- American Association of Bovine Practitioners (AABP)
- American Association of Swine Veterinarians (AASV)
- American Dairy Science Association (ADSA)
- American Registry of Professional Animal Scientists (ARPAS)
- American Society of Animal Science (ASAS)
- Poultry Science Association (PSA)
- American Meat Science Association (AMSA)

AUDITOR CERTIFICATION PROCESS / STEPS

#1
Participate in a 3-day education and instruction course including production site experience.

#2
Be tested at the end of the 3-day course and pass an examination. Successfully completing the course and test results in moving to a shadow phase of training.

#3
Conduct and complete two shadowed audits in a broiler, table egg or turkey production setting under the supervision of a PAACO poultry certified auditor of your choice within 12 months of the course.

#4
Upon the completion of satisfactory ratings by the certified auditor(s) in Step 3, an official endorsement as a PAACO “Certified Poultry Welfare Auditor” will be issued by PACCO and your information included in their data base of certified auditors.

CONTACT PAACO FOR INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS
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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

LOCATION:
Instruction Site:
Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Centre
601 Scottsdale Dr, Guelph, Ontario, N1G 3E7
Telephone: 1-519-836-0231

Audit Demonstration Sites:
Multiple hatcheries, farms and processing plants will be used for on-site audit demonstrations. Specific location information will be provided to trainees at a later date. Upon registration, trainees will rank their preference to be placed into either the broiler, layer or turkey group. Each trainee will only be placed into one species group.

COURSE MATERIALS:
This training is designed to affect the quality of auditing by individuals who perform poultry industry welfare audits. Training will address and educate on factors contained in welfare audits utilized in the broiler, layer and turkey industries.

FEES:
Three Day Course: $1225.00 CAD
Full registration includes 3-day course, 3 lunches, classroom materials, travel to production sites and biosecurity supplies. Your registration acceptance will be e-mailed to you by PIC along with the pre-course learning modules (apppx 5 hours), course agenda and information.

Continuing Education for PAACO Certified Auditors: $260.00 CAD
Certified PAACO poultry auditors can enroll for the first and/or second day of the training to contribute to their continuing education credit requirements.

Registration Deadline: September 23, 2019

LODGING:
Each attendee is responsible for their own lodging. Please read carefully!
A block of rooms has been reserved for the course at the Holiday Inn for the nights of October 6 - 9 at a rate of $125.00 plus HST. Telephone: 1-519-836-0231
Book your hotel early by calling them directly and asking for group code PIC room block/rate or visit the PACCO page on PIC’s website for the link to the Holiday Inn's on-line booking.

The deadline for reservations at the block rate is September 15th, 2019.

AIRPORT:
Toronto Pearson (YYZ) is Canada’s largest airport and is located 70 km east of the city of Guelph.
The Region of Waterloo International Airport (YKF) is located 20 km west of the city of Guelph.

TRANSPORTATION:
Group transportation to audit demonstration sites will be provided and is included in the course fee. However, transportation to the Holiday Inn for classroom instruction is the responsibility of each participant.

PARTICIPANT & AUDITOR QUALIFICATIONS:
PAACO reserves the right to limit class size and registrations to qualified individuals. Therefore, prompt registration is encouraged and honoured on a first come, first served basis.
Basic individual requirements and qualifications to attend the course and be certified are:
• Course instruction in English, understanding and reading English required. Test will be offered in both English and French.
• Walk unassisted in a poultry production and processing plant environment
• Trainees must not have had contact with poultry, water fowl or pet birds for 72 hours prior to 1st site visit (no contact after Oct 4th)

Education and experience:
Note: individuals who do not meet the requirements below are still eligible to participate in the course, but will not qualify for certification.
~ Master's, Ph.D, DVM Degrees - 2 years of relevant experience within the past 5 years
~ Associate or Bachelor's degree - 3 years of relevant experience within the past 7 years ~
High School Diploma - 5 years of relevant experience within the past 10 years

A resume must accompany each trainee’s registration to demonstrate their education and experience.

COURSE DEADLINE & CANCELLATION:
Registration deadline is September 23, 2019.
Completed registration, payment and resume are due at time of submission. Registration will be done online.
Refunds can be made (less a $75 cancellation fee) until September 23, 2019. If a participant fails to qualify for certification, no cancellation fee will be charged. No refunds will be granted after September 23, 2019.

REGISTRATION IS TO BE COMPLETED ONLINE:
Visit PIC's website for link to registration page at www.poultryindustrycouncil.ca