



# POULTRY WELFARE AUDITOR

education / training / certification **COURSE**

DATE: **July 14-16, 2020**

LOCATION: **Fayetteville, Arkansas**



Professional Animal Auditor  
Certification Organization



University of Arkansas  
Department of Poultry Science

## OVERVIEW

The Poultry Welfare Auditor Course conducted by the Professional Animal Auditor Certification Organization (PAACO) is the certification course for poultry 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.

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## COURSE GOAL

To train potential poultry welfare auditors using the welfare criteria and standards generally found and accepted in industry audits for broilers, layers, and turkeys.

## EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE

(Note the following are not a requirement to take the course, but are required for certification.)

- Master's, Ph.D., DVM with relevant livestock experience of 2 years within the past 5 years
- Associate or Bachelor's degree with relevant livestock experience of 3 years within the past 7 years
- High school diploma with relevant livestock experience of 5 years within the past 10 years.

## AUDITOR CERTIFICATION PROCESS

**#1** Participate in a 4-part Poultry 201 online course and 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 shadow audits in a poultry production setting under the supervision of a PAACO certified welfare poultry 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 and your information included in a public database of certified auditors.

## PARTICIPANT & AUDITOR QUALIFICATIONS

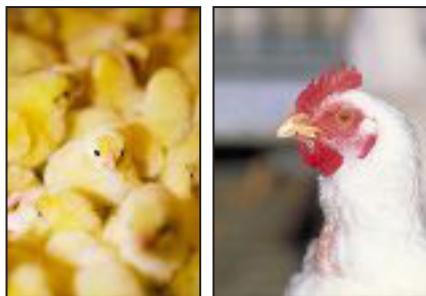
PAACO reserves the right to limit class size and registrations to qualified individuals. Therefore, prompt reservations are encouraged and honored on a first come, first served basis. Companies may be limited on number of participant registrations in one training.

Basic individual requirements and qualifications to attend the course and be certified are:

- Read, write and walk unassisted in a broiler production and processing plant environment
- Trainees must not have had contact with poultry, water fowl or pet birds for 72 hours prior to arriving.

## COURSE MATERIALS

Training will address and educate on factors contained in welfare audits utilized in the broiler, layer, and turkey industries. Detailed course materials will supplement the information provided by instructors.



**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT COURSE COORDINATOR:**

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## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

### LOCATION:

#### Instruction Site:

Center of Excellence for Poultry Science Center  
University of Arkansas  
1260 West Maple Street  
Fayetteville, AR 72701

#### Demonstration Sites:

Multiple sites and plants in the area

### FEES:

\$845 – Full registration includes the 4-part Poultry 201 online course, 3-day onsite course, classroom materials, travel to production sites and biosecurity uniform. Your registration acceptance will be emailed to you by PAACO along with pre-course information.

### LODGING:

Each attendee is responsible for their lodging. A PAACO block of rooms and group rate has been established.

#### Hilton Garden Inn Fayetteville

1325 N Palak Dr., Fayetteville, AR 72704  
Reservations: 479-856-6040  
Room Rate: \$114+ taxes (includes breakfast)  
Rate available until: 6/28/2020

#### Holiday Inn Express & Suites

1251 N Shiloh Dr., Fayetteville, AR 72704  
Reservations: 479-444-6006  
Room Rate: \$99+ taxes (includes breakfast)  
Rate available until: 7/25/2019

Book your hotel early by calling them directly and asking for the PAACO room block/rate.

### AIRPORT:

Fayetteville's airport is called Northwest Arkansas Regional Airport (XNA). Tulsa airport is approximately 100 miles from Fayetteville and Ft. Smith also has service. The hotels do not have free shuttle service and are located about 35 miles or 30 minutes from the airport. Cab service is approximately \$45.

### TRANSPORTATION:

Transportation from hotel to instruction site is not provided. Group transportation from the instruction site to the demonstration sites is provided. Parking information will be provided closer to training.

## TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

*specific times to be included in sequential agenda*

### PREREQUISITE: POULTRY 201

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Poultry 201 is a 4-part online and will be required as a Prerequisite. This will provide an understanding of industry and production structure as well as background of modern production methods and welfare programs. You must take the online trainings and pass the quizzes to attend onsite training. These trainings are included in the registration fee and located on your account page, My Online Trainings tab. They will be available once the onsite course is paid for.

### DAY 1

8:00 AM - 6:00 PM INSTRUCTION

### DAY 2

8:00 AM - 6:00 PM INSTRUCTION

### DAY 3

4:00 AM - 2:00 PM SITE VISITS & EXAM

**\*\* ATTENTION:** The last day of the PAACO poultry auditor training includes visits to hatcheries, farms and processing plants. However, due to biosecurity or poultry company restrictions these visits are subject to last-minute adjustments which may include video presentation. For this training, there will be a 72-hour no bird contact prior to the July 14, 2020. We consider these facility visits to be an important part of the overall training experience and appreciate your understanding of this situation.

After groups return from field, trainees will then have option of individual material review or begin testing. Test is closed book/notes. Trainees are free to leave at completion of test. Generally trainees take about one hour plus to complete the test.

### COURSE DEADLINES & CANCELLATION:

Registration deadline is **June 26, 2020**. Completed registration form, payment and resume are due at time of submission.

**Class size limited! Act now - Class will fill quickly!** Refunds will be made (less \$75) until **June 26, 2020**, unless class is full or participant does not qualify. No refunds after **June 26, 2020**.