

**301—3.1(184) Nominations.**

**3.1(1)** Not later than five months prior to election, council members will determine classifications for small, medium, and large production. Iowa egg council assessment records for four consecutive and recent quarters will be used to determine number of layer-type chickens for each producer. Producers and numbers of layer-type chickens will be listed from small to large numbers. The council will review the list and equitably determine classifications of small, medium, and large producers. Classifications will be approved by the council.

**3.1(2)** Not later than 60 days prior to the end of each council member's term of office, the council shall cause to be published a notice to the electorate about vacancies on the council and the nominations of the nominating committee of the Iowa egg council. Such notice shall be on a form and shall contain information required to be contained in Exhibit 1, set out at the end of these rules and made a part hereof by reference. In addition, the council shall mail to each eligible voter appearing on council records a copy of said written notice at the address of such voter as contained in the records of the council.

**3.1(3)** Each notice shall contain a form for petition for nomination of producer candidates which shall conform to Exhibit 2, set out at the end of these rules and made a part hereof by reference.

**3.1(4)** The period for nomination by petition shall commence 60 days prior to the election date and end 30 days prior to the election date, not counting the day of election itself.

**3.1(5)** Nominating petitions shall be filed with the council at its address as indicated on the notice of nominations no later than 4 p.m. on the thirtieth day preceding the election, not counting the day of election itself.

**3.1(6)** All eligible nominees nominated by valid petition signed by three producers shall be included on the ballot and shall be eligible for election to the council.

**3.1(7)** All nominating petitions shall be reviewed by the council for propriety, and the ballot shall be prepared to include all procedures properly nominated.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 184.8.

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