

Marquette Food Co-op

EGG SOURCING GUIDE

We do our best to offer an array of options with special consideration for local sourcing, USDA Organic, and the more ethical treatment of the animals. Federal law mandates that chickens, turkeys, and ducks, whether raised for meat or for eggs, are not to be treated regularly with antibiotics or given added artificial growth hormones. Our policy extends further as we only sell products from “cage-free or better” farms. In many cases, there are no legal, USDA standards for industry terms, so we go by the standards laid out by Certified Humane, a nationally recognized nonprofit certification organization.

Here are some quick definitions of these sometimes-controversial terms:

CAGE-FREE: raised indoors without cages, minimum 1.5 sq. ft/ bird, other requirements for air cleanliness, feeder space, drinker space, all animal byproducts prohibited.

FREE-RANGE: raised outdoors, weather permitting (in some areas of the country, seasonal) for a minimum of 6 hours per outdoors day, minimum of 2 sq. ft/bird, plus all cage-free standards.

PASTURE-RAISED: Outdoors year-round, weather permitting, with mobile or fixed housing for refuge from weather and predators, fields must be rotated, and minimum 108 sq. ft/bird, plus all free range standards.

SUPPLIER	BSB FARMS	CLOVERLAND FARM	LARRY SCHULTZ	ORGANIC VALLEY	PHIL'S	VITAL FARMS	CLOVERLAND FARM
PRODUCT	Chicken Eggs	Chicken Eggs	Chicken Eggs	Chicken Eggs	Chicken Eggs	Chicken Eggs	Duck Eggs
LOCATION	Skandia, MI	Marquette, MI	Owatonna, MN	Wisconsin	Illinois	South Eastern U.S. Farms	Marquette, MI
CERTIFICATION			USDA Organic	USDA Organic	Certified Humane	Certified Humane	
CAGE-FREE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
FREE-RANGE	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
PASTURE-RAISED	✓			✓		✓	✓
ORGANIC FEED			✓	✓			



502 W. Washington St.
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In-store Hours **9am - 9pm**
At-risk Population Hours **8 - 9am**
Grocery Pickup **10am - 7pm**

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