



We go to extraordinary lengths





In 2012 the egg industry across the EU faced a difficult challenge in implementing the Welfare of Laying Hens Directive

This banned the use of battery cages and there was major disruption in the EU market

Good news – the short-term issue of availability has now dissipated, so operators can rest assured that they will be able to specify Lion eggs





New research commissioned by British Lion eggs shows that the eating out market, with its huge variety of outlets, is looking for greater reassurance

Catering operators know their diners and guests want the reassurance too.

But they expect their suppliers to take on the responsibility of quality and safety assurance.





# FRESHNESS is very important

#### IT MEANS QUALITY TO CATERING OPERATORS

#### **OUR RESPONSE**

'Best before' date and Lion Quality mark on shell
Lion Quality eggs must carry a 'best before' date and the
Lion mark on the shell and on the pack. All Lion eggs have
a best-before date of no more than 27 days from lay,
making them fresher than required by law. Most Lion
Quality eggs are packed within 48 hours of lay.



## They are aware of the Lion mark

Over 92% of operators have heard of the Lion mark.

This is twice as high as other marks like Red Tractor.



A simple explanation of the Lion mark standards and processes allows the benefits to be very quickly reinforced and understood.



## Summary of Lion Code key points 1

The British Lion Code covers the entire egg supply chain from the breeders to the end product and imposes strict rules to ensure that eggs are produced to the highest food safety standards.

#### **Traceability**

All hens have a passport to ensure complete traceability. All feed and eggs are fully traceable.

All British Lion eggs are marked on farm with the method of egg production and unique farm code.

A website – <u>www.lioneggfarms.co.uk</u> – allows operators to trace eggs back to the farm from the code on their eggs.

#### Salmonella vaccinations

Birds destined for Lion Quality egg-producing flocks are vaccinated against Salmonella.

## Summary of Lion Code key points 2

#### Time and temperature controls

Lion Quality eggs must be stored below 20°C in hygienic conditions on the farm and must be transported to the packing centre at least twice a week always being kept under that temperature.

#### Strict control of feed

To ensure there is no risk of contaminants or taint.

#### Independent auditing

All Lion Quality registered premises are audited and certified by an independent monitoring agency.

Any critical non-conformance results in immediate suspension pending appropriate action to address any problems.

The Lion code is accredited to the EN45011 standard.

## A strong link with meat and dairy categories

Our research was carried out just prior to the Horse meat scandal.

For Catering Operators FRESHNESS is still important for eggs but they are now more likely to require further reassurance of QUALITY or SAFETY as with categories like meat and dairy.

We can support your sales teams with information that explains your commitment to British Lion eggs and aligns with your other communications on product reassurance.

### The demand is there

Despite other food scares, the demand for eggs out of home is undiminished.

Our research showed that breakfast remains the focus of over half of the eggs served out of home and it's great news that catering operators – both chain and independent – are unlocking the breakfast opportunity more and more...



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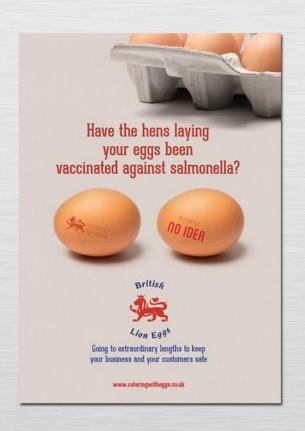
With the learnings taken from the fresh insight we have developed a campaign that will reach catering operators across the Pub, Hotel, Restaurant and Contract Catering markets.

Simple and engaging to generate cut through. Making the complicated area of quality reassurance simple to understand.



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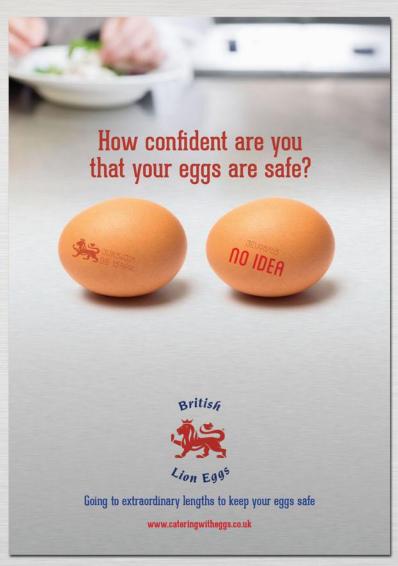


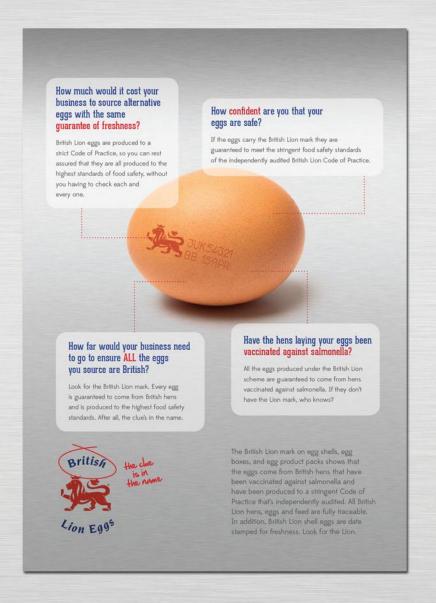


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