

1. Title of the certificate ¹

**Δίπλωμα Επαγγελματικής Ειδικότητας Εκπαίδευσης και Κατάρτισης Επιπέδου 5 Ειδικότητα Ι.Ε.Κ.:
ΤΕΧΝΙΚΟΣ ΠΤΗΝΟΤΡΟΦΙΑΣ**

2. Translated title of the certificate ²

**Vocational Training Diploma Initial Vocational Training (I.E.K.) Level 5 Specialty of I.E.K.:
POULTRY REARING TECHNICIAN**

3. Profile of skills and competences

LEARNING OUTCOMES (KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, COMPETENCES). A typical holder of the certificate is able to:

KNOWLEDGE

- Identify the main races and hybrids of breeding hens and properly classifies the characteristics of hens used for laying eggs, meat, and intermediate type.
- Describe the basic elements of anatomy and physiology for birds.
- Specify the method for the formulation of the egg, its composition, and the main major anomalies that could appear.
- Discern the factors affecting the quality of eggs.
- State the criteria for standardizing eggs and the criteria for standardizing carcasses.
- State the basic details for rearing other birds (apart from hens).
- Describe the dimensions and the proper method for manufacturing a rearing station (walls, floors, roof, and windows).
- Match the amount of hens per square meter to the chamber type.

SKILLS

- Apply the necessary measures for the preventive hygiene with regard to the equipment, the chambers that are going to accept the chicks, the chambers for the young hens, in the egg laying chamber and in the chicken brooding house.
- Regulate the conditions (temperature, relative humidity, ventilation) in the chick chamber, in the hatching - brooding area.
- Take the necessary measures to avoid the infection of eggs during their laying, the preservation and storage thereof.
- Perform the selection of the chicks, separate the sex, and perform the beak trimming and the vaccination of chicks.
- Proceed to the packaging and safe transport of chicks.
- Effectively operate the basic mechanical equipment of the rearing station.
- Apply the necessary measures of preventive health and cleanliness in the rearing station.
- Apply the technique of slaughtering, manager, standardise and package the carcass, preserve and market the carcass.
- Formulate a programme for managing the excrements in the rearing station.
- Manage all necessary files for the operation of a poultry rearing business.
- Calculate the costs, the expenses, and the profits of rearing business.
- Recognise the symptoms of the main diseases of chicks and hens.
- Recognise the major problems that can appear in carcasses.
- Safely set the proper ration for each period of hen growth.

COMPETENCES

- Consider whether or not the measures taken for preventing accidents and occupational diseases in a rearing station and in a slaughter house are sufficient.
- Follow the instructions of the veterinary and sufficiently deal with the usual diseases.
- Understand the importance of following the regulations and legislation on quality, safety, and health of food and work areas.

4. Range of occupations accessible to the holder of the certificate ³

The holder of this diploma can be employed in agricultural avicultural cooperatives that run poultry abattoirs, hatcheries, fodder production units and other relevant activities.

The Vocational Training Diploma is recognised as a qualification for appointment in the public sector falling in the category S.E. (Secondary Education) according to the Presidential Decree no.50/2001 (Greek Official Gazette 39/Vol.A/5-3-2001).

¹ In the original language. | ² If applicable. This translation has no legal status. | ³ If applicable.

5. Official basis of the certificate

Body awarding the certificate

E.O.P.P.E.P.
(National Organisation for the Certification of Qualifications and Vocational Guidance)
Ethnikis Antistaseos 41 Avenue, 142 34 N. Ionia
<https://www.eoppep.gr/>

Level of the certificate (national or European) ¹

Level 5 National and European Qualifications Framework

Access to next level of education / training ¹

Yes

Legal basis

Law 2009/1992 on the National System of Vocational Education and Training
Law 4186/2013 on the Restructure of Secondary Education
Law 4763/2020 on National System of Vocational Education, Training and Lifelong Learning

Authority providing accreditation / recognition of the certificate

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Grading scale / Pass requirements

a) acquisition of the Vocational Training Certificate (V.E.K.) after successful completion of study at the Vocational Training Institute (I.E.K.)
b) acquisition of the Vocational Training Diploma after:
1. success in the theoretical part of Initial Vocational Training certification examinations (Grading scale = 1-20, Pass = 10) and
2. success in the practical part of the Initial Vocational Training certification examinations (Pass/Fail)

International agreements on recognition of qualifications ¹

No

6. Officially recognised ways of acquiring the certificate

Total duration of the education / training leading to the certificate
Success in the the Initial Vocational Training certification examinations
4 semesters (until law 4186/2013) / 5 semesters (after law 4186/2013)

7. Additional information

Entry requirements ¹

Certificate of Upper Secondary School. Qualification of Level 4 (NQF/EQF) // Certificate Vocational Training School (SEK) – Qualification of Level 3 (NQF/EQF)
Following the voting of L. 4763/2020, only by an Upper Secondary Education certificate or an equivalent title of studies (Qualification of Level 4 NQF/EQF)

Indicative subjects taught:

Poultry Farming for Meat, Poultry Farming for Eggs (Breeding Layers), Poultry Farming for Breeding Hens, Poultry Farming Installations – Equipment, Special Zootechnical Operations, Poultry Anatomy – Physiology, Poultry Farming of other Fowls, Agricultural Economy – Agricultural Policy, Work Hygiene and Safety – Protection of the Environment, Trade (Products and Fodder), English, Computing.

More information

National Qualifications Framework : <https://nqf.gov.gr/> and <https://proson.eoppep.gr/en>

National Europass Centre: **EL/NEC - E.O.P.P.E.P.** National Organisation for the Certification of Qualifications and Vocational Guidance, Ethnikis Antistaseos 41 Avenue, 142 34 N. Ionia, Greece. T.0030 2102709000 europass@eoppep.gr
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