

Quality Chekd Dairies Merger Announcement

More Benefits. More Resources. More Support.

As a member of Quality Chekd Dairies one of your greatest benefits has been our longstanding partnership with QCS Purchasing. Through this partnership you've had access to not only Quality & Food Safety resources and staff expertise, but programs and services offered for QCS members. As you may recall, last year the Membership overwhelmingly voted to merge Quality Chekd Dairies with QCS Purchasing, Allied Purchasing and SECO to form a new company as of January 2021: QCS Purchasing Cooperative. For a brief overview of this exciting venture, view our [short video](#) that describes some of the additional benefits for all members. We are sure you may have additional questions; therefore, we've also created the following FAQ's.

What is QCS Purchasing Cooperative?

- A Member-owned and managed as not to make a profit buying group for companies engaged in food and beverage production who
- provides value added programs: consumer and marketing data, document management, engineering services, leadership and technical training, and quality and food safety consulting
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 - aggregates purchases of common supplies providing members with access to high-quality goods and services at the lowest possible total cost
 - delivers Supply Chain expertise in logistics/fleet, packaging, resin, ingredients, equipment, and plant operations and supplies

What Benefits come from this Merger?

- It expands our pool of members and buying power, resulting in added cost savings
- It provides access to additional staff support
- It delivers a wider variety of services, programs and resources
- It allows for more in-depth, targeted communications from us regarding your type of operation and the resources that are available via the QCS Newsletters and other media

What will Change?

- You will see a change in our staff email addresses and signatures
- The Quality Chekd website will merge with the QCS Purchasing Cooperative website

What will Remain the Same?

- You will continue to receive all of the Quality Chekd Dairies membership services and programs
- You will continue to have online access to all information related to the QC Compliance Program and the QC Lab Proficiency Performance Program
- Our existing support and resources will remain available
- Our partnership with Merieux in the management of our quality programs remains unchanged

What's Next?

- We will be seeking your input and feedback regarding how QCS Purchasing Cooperative can better serve your needs
- We will be developing an expanded suite of Quality and Food Safety services and providers that are committed to supporting your efficiencies as well as quality and food safety programs
- We will be enhancing communications related to regulatory issues, dairy and food industry trends and best practices, and strategies for successful 3rd party audits
- We will add participants to our existing programs to provide a broader benchmarking base and to promote the sharing of information amongst the members in each industry sector

Our organization's main mission remains the same: To empower Member Owners to become more competitive and successful!

