INDIRECT-GRILLING POULTRY Remove skin if desired. Sprinkle with salt and black pepper. For a charcoal or gas grill, prepare grill for indirect heat using a drip pan. Place poultry, skin side(s) down, over drip pan (for whole poultry, place, breast side up, and do not stuff). Grill, covered, over indirect medium heat for the time given below or until poultry is done and the proper temperature is reached. Or, if desired, place whole birds on rack in a roasting pan and omit the drip pan. Doneness should be determined using an instant-read thermometer. For whole birds, insert the thermometer into the center of the inside thigh muscle, away from bone. Poultry sizes vary; use the times below as a general guide.

TYPE OF BIRD	THICKNESS/ WEIGHT	GRILLING TEMPERATURE	DIRECT-GRILLING TIME*	DONENESS
CHICKEN				
CHICKEN, BROILER-FRYER, half	1 ½ to 1 ¾ lb.	Medium	1 to 1 ¼ hours	170°F
CHICKEN, BROILER-FRYER, quarters	12 to 14 oz. each	Medium	50 to 60 minutes	175°F
PATTIES turkey and chicken	½ inch thick	Medium	10 to 13 minutes	165°F
	¾ inch thick	Medium	14 to 18 minutes	165°F
CHICKEN, whole	2 ½ to 3 lb.	Medium	l to 1 ¼ hours	170°F
	3 ½ to 4 lb.	Medium	1¼ to 1¾ hours	170°F
	4 ½ to 5 lb.	Medium	1¾ to 2 hours	170°F
MEATY CHICKEN THIGHS breast halves, thighs, and drumsticks	2 ½ to 3 lb. total	Medium	50 to 60 minutes	170°F (breast halves) 175°F (thighs and drumsticks)
GAME				
CORNISH GAME HEN, halved lengthwise	10 to 12 oz. each	Medium	40 to 50 minutes	175°F
CORNISH GAME HEN, whole	1 ¼ on 1 ½ lb.	Medium	50 to 60 minutes	175°F
PHEASANT, quarters	8 to 12 oz.	Medium	50 to 60 minutes	180°F
PHEASANT, whole	2 to 3 lb.	Medium	l to 1½ hours	180°F
QUAIL, semiboneless	3 to 4 oz.	Medium	15 to 20 minutes	180°F
TURKEY				
TURKEY BREAST, half	2 to 2 ½ lb.	Medium	1 ¼ to 2 hours	170°F
TURKEY BREAST, whole	4 to 6 lb.	Medium	1 ¾ to 2 ¼ hours	170°F
	6 to 8 lb.	Medium	2½ to 3½ hours	170°F
TURKEY BREAST TENDERLOIN	8 to 10 oz. (or ¾ to 1 inch thick)	Medium	25 to 30 minutes	165°F
TURKEY BREAST TENDERLOIN STEAK to make ½-inch steaks, cut turkey tenderloin in half horizontally	4 to 6 oz.	Medium	15 to 18 minutes	165°F
TURKEY DRUMSTICK	8 to 16 oz.	Medium	¾ to 1 ¼ hours	175°F
TURKEY THIGH	1 to 1 ½ lb.	Medium	50 to 60 minutes	175°F
TURKEY, whole	6 to 8 lb.	Medium	1 ¾ to 2 ¼ hours	175°F
	8 to 12 lb.	Medium	2½ to 3½ hours	175°F
	12 to 16 lb.	Medium	3 to 4 hours	175°F

 $^{{}^{\}star} All\ grilling\ times\ are\ based\ on\ poultry\ removed\ directly\ from\ refrigerator$

