

EXD314(HPAI)(GB)

Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
Scottish Government
Welsh Government

Animal Health Act 1981 (as amended)
Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (England) (No.2) Order 2006
(as amended)
Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (Scotland) Order 2006(as
amended)
Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (Wales) (No. 2) Order 2006
(as amended)

General licence for the movement of samples for salmonella testing from premises in the Protection Zone or Surveillance Zone

1. This general licence is issued in accordance with:
 - paragraph 11 of Schedule 4 and paragraph 8 of Schedule 5 of the Order in England and Wales.
 - paragraph 11 of Schedule 4 and paragraph 9 of Schedule 5 of the Order 2006 in Scotland.
2. This licence permits subject to the attached Schedule of Conditions the movement of samples for testing from premises within the Protection or Surveillance Zone to an approved UK laboratory under the Salmonella National Control Programmes approved for testing of salmonella in chickens and turkeys.

This licence is valid from **11:00 on 3 March 2022** and the licence EXD314(HPAI)(GB) that came into force at 17:00 on 9 February 2022 is hereby revoked.

Caroline Conradi
Veterinary Inspector

Date: 3 March 2022 Time: 11:00

Veterinary Inspector appointed by Secretary of State, the Welsh Ministers and the Scottish Ministers.

Schedule of Conditions

1. Samples sent under this General Licence must only be sent to UK laboratories approved for testing of salmonella under the UK Salmonella National Control Programme.
2. Immediately prior to the taking the samples, the licensee must inspect the poultry on the premises to check that they show no clinical signs that could be associated with Avian Influenza.
3. The receiving laboratory must be informed of the submission before the samples are sent and the licensee must:
 - inform the receiving laboratory that the samples are from an Avian Influenza Surveillance or Protection Zone (as appropriate); and
 - ensure the laboratory is aware of the conditions of this licence and has agreed to accept the samples.
4. The outer packaging and sample submission form must be labelled to indicate the premises of origin and clearly state that these premises are within an Avian Influenza Protection or Surveillance Zone (as appropriate).
5. All samples must be packed in accordance with the Carriage of Dangerous Goods Regulations and ADR to meet UN3373 – P650 packaging requirements. Each package should be marked with “BIOLOGICAL SUBSTANCE CATEGORY B”. This must be in at least 6mm high letters and placed adjacent to the diamond UN3373 label.
6. All such samples must be sent via recorded delivery, courier or delivered directly to the approved laboratory.
7. The licensee must ensure that any person(s) involved in this movement:
 - does not enter or leave any poultry or captive bird premises wearing clothing or footwear which is visibly soiled with mud, poultry or bird faeces or any similar matter;
 - cleanses and disinfects their footwear before entering or leaving any premises or place where poultry or captive birds were present
 - removes any disposable clothing before leaving a poultry or captive bird premises and does not reuse it at further premises
 - ensures non disposable clothing is clean and free of all visible contamination before leaving a poultry or captive bird premises; and
 - takes all other reasonable precautions to avoid transferring mud, slurry, animal faeces, excretions, feathers or any other similar matter between poultry and captive bird premises.
8. Cleansing and disinfection must be carried out in accordance with article 66 of the Order in England and Wales, and article 65 of the Order in Scotland.
9. This licence does not apply to movements to or from any premises which has been served a restriction notice by a veterinary inspector.

Notes

1. “The Order” means the Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals

(England) (No. 2) Order 2006 in England (as amended), the Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (Wales) (No. 2) Order 2006 (as amended) in Wales and the Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (Scotland) Order 2006 (as amended) in Scotland.

2. A record of the movement, including the registration of any vehicle used must be made by the occupier of the source premises as soon as is reasonably practicable after the movement and retained for at least six weeks after the movement is completed, as required by Article 74 of the Order in England and Wales or by Article 73 of the Order in Scotland
3. When moving anything under the authority of this licence, a person must carry a consignment note. The consignment note must include:
 - a) the quantity of samples being moved,
 - b) the date of the movement,
 - c) the name of the consignor,
 - d) the address of the premises from which the samples has been moved,
 - e) the registration of the collecting vehicle
 - f) the name of the consignee, and
 - g) the address of the disposal premises.
4. A person moving anything under the authority of this licence must, if asked to do so by an inspector, or other officer of the Secretary of State or Scottish Ministers or the Welsh Ministers, give their name and address, produce the consignment note and allow copies or an extract to be taken.
5. This licence permits the movement of samples for Salmonella testing required for the National Control Programme, and sampling for Salmonella testing for assurance purposes, such as for meeting Lion Code requirements.
6. Contact APHA (<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/animal-and-plant-health-agency/about/access-and-opening>) or your Local Authority for further advice on biosecurity measures and any other legislation that may apply.

A copy of this general licence can be viewed at:

- England: [Avian influenza \(bird flu\): cases and disease control zones in England - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)
- Wales: <https://gov.wales/licencing-protection-and-surveillance-zones>
- Scotland: [Avian influenza \(bird flu\): how to spot and report the disease - gov.scot \(www.gov.scot\)](#)

Up-to-date Avian Influenza legislation can be found at:

- England: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/avian-influenza-bird-flu#legislation-on-avian-influenza>
- Wales: <https://gov.wales/avian-influenza-bird-flu>
- Scotland: <https://www.gov.scot/publications/avian-influenza-bird-flu/pages/legislation/>
- or legislation.gov.uk

Failure to observe the measures required in this licence is an offence under Section 73 of the Animal Health Act 1981. The penalty on conviction of an offence under this section is a maximum of six months imprisonment and/or a fine not exceeding Level 5 on the standard scale.