

EXD 314(HPAI)(E)

Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (England) (No.2) Order 2006

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 Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (England) (No.2).
2. This licence permits subject to the attached Schedule of Conditions the movement of samples for Salmonella 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 14:30 on 12 November 2020.



Daniel Jeronimo

Veterinary Inspector **appointed by Secretary of State**

Date: 14:30 on 12 November 2020

Schedule - General Licence 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 for salmonella testing 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:
 - a. inform the receiving laboratory that the samples are from an Avian Influenza Surveillance or Protection Zone (as appropriate); and
 - b. 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. All persons who seek to rely on this general licence must:
 - a. not enter or leave premises wearing clothing or footwear which is visibly soiled with mud, animal or bird faeces or any similar matter;
 - b. cleanse and disinfect their footwear on leaving premises within the controlled zone;
 - c. ensure their vehicle is free of any visible contamination with mud, slurry, animal faeces, excretions or any similar material;
 - d. cleanse and disinfect the vehicle’s wheels and wheel arches after sampling and before leaving poultry premises. The cleansing and disinfection must take place at a point beyond which no contamination with poultry feathers, faeces, litter, egg shell or any similar matter can take place and
 - e. take all other reasonable precautions to avoid the transfer of contamination between premises.
8. Cleansing and disinfection must be carried out in accordance with Article 66 of the Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (England) (No 2) Order 2006.
9. A record of the movement 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 Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (England) (No.2).

Notes

1. 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, give their name and address, produce the consignment note and allow copies or an extract to be taken.
2. 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 the <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/avian-influenza-bird-flu>.

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 an unlimited fine