General licence for the movement of mammals from or to premises in the Protection or Surveillance Zone where poultry or other captive birds are kept

1. This general licence is issued in accordance with paragraph 8 of Schedule 4 and paragraph 6 of Schedule 5 of the Order.

2. This licence permits, subject to the conditions set out in the Schedule of Conditions attached, the movement of mammals from or to premises in the Protection Zone or Surveillance Zone, in England and Wales, where poultry and other captive birds are kept.

This licence is valid from 17:05 on 05 January 2021

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Veterinary Inspector
Date: [17:05] 05 January 2021
Schedule of Conditions

1. The movement of mammals permitted by this licence shall be directly to the premises of destination.

2. Before entering or leaving the premises where the animals are loaded the licensee must make sure that:
   - the bedding used for transportation must be fresh, clean, free of any visible contamination with mud, slurry, animal faeces, excretions or any other similar matter, and not have come into contact with captive birds or poultry;
   - the exterior of the vehicle must be free of any visible contamination with mud, slurry, animal faeces, excretions or any other similar matter;
   - the vehicle’s wheels, wheel arches and mud flaps must be cleansed and disinfected after loading and before leaving the 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.

3. After unloading at the premises of destination the licensee must ensure that:
   - the parts of the vehicle and any equipment used to transport anything which might be contaminated with mud, slurry, poultry faeces, excretions, feathers or any other similar matter must be cleansed and disinfected on site;
   - the vehicle’s wheels and wheel arches must be cleansed and disinfected after unloading and before leaving the destination premises.

4. All persons who seek to rely on this general licence must:
   - not enter or leave premises wearing clothing or footwear which is visibly soiled with mud, animal or bird faeces or any similar matter;
   - wear disposable clothing or cleanse and disinfect any clothing, and footwear, before entering or leaving a premises; and
   - take all other reasonable precautions to avoid the transfer of contamination between premises.

5. Cleansing and disinfection must be carried out in accordance with article 66 of Order.

Notes:


2. A record of the movement as required by Article 74 of the Order must also be made as soon as is reasonably practicable after the movement and retained for at least 6 weeks after the movement is completed.

3. When moving anything under the authority of this licence, a person must carry with him a consignment note. The consignment note must include -
   (a) what is moved, including its quantity,
   (b) the date of the movement,
   (c) the name of the consignor,
   (d) the address of the premises from which the movement started,
   (e) the name of the consignee, and
   (f) the address of the premises of destination.
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, give their name and address, produce the consignment note and allow copies or an extract to be taken.

5. Where the use of a disinfectant is required under this licence, the disinfectant must be approved under the Diseases of Animals (Approved Disinfectants) (England) Order 2007 in England, the Diseases of Animals (Approved Disinfectants) (Scotland) Order 2008 in Scotland or the Diseases of Animals (Approved Disinfectants) (Wales) Order 2007 in Wales. It must be used at the correct concentration and allow adequate contact time.

6. The licence does not apply to the movement of non-livestock pet animals which:
   - only have access to that part of the premises where people live
   - have no contact with poultry or other captive birds on the premises and have no access to any cages or areas on the premises where poultry or other captive birds are kept

7. If you suspect notifiable disease you must report this immediately to your nearest APHA office.

8. 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 https://www.gov.uk/guidance/avian-influenza-bird-flu

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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.