General licence for the movement of poultry carcases for disposal from premises in a Protection Zone in England or Wales

Licence

In accordance with the relevant legislation listed above, this general licence permits the direct movement of poultry carcases from premises in a Protection Zone to other premises within or outside a zone within England or Wales, subject to the conditions set out in the Schedule.

This general licence is available until amended or revoked in accordance with article 4(2) of the Orders.

This licence comes into force at 10am on 6th January 2017

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Schedule - General Licence Conditions

i. Movement and disposal of poultry carcases must be as a Category 1 or Category 2 animal by-product (ABP) as required by the Animal By-Products (Enforcement) (England) Regulations 2013. The derogation in Article 18 of Regulation (EC) No.1069/2009 enabling the use of Category 2 ABPs in the feeding of reptiles & birds of prey does not apply to these carcases.

ii. Immediately prior to each movement/removal of poultry carcases the licensee must inspect the poultry on the premises to check that they show no clinical signs that could be associated with Avian Influenza.

iii. The licensee must notify APHA within 24 hours of the inspection to confirm that the inspection has been carried out and that the poultry on the premises showed no clinical signs that could be associated with Avian Influenza. The notification should include the consignor’s name and address, the destination disposal centre and the date and results of the inspection. The notification can be made by email to Outbreak.Licensing@apha.gsi.gov.uk or in writing to: The Licensing Team, APHA, Spur 10, Block C, Government Buildings, Whittington Road, Worcester, WR5 2LQ.

iv. The move must be direct to the disposal premises (within England).

v. The vehicle used to transport the carcases must be leak proof and covered. There must also be a spill kit available in the vehicle during transport in case of any spillage.

vi. The collection vehicle should not be taken onto the premises of origin (where possible) beyond the perimeter of the premises and should not pass over any surface that could possibly be contaminated with mud, slurry, poultry faeces, excretions, feathers, litter, egg shell or other similar matter liable to transmit disease. The transfer of the carcase/s should be at the perimeter of the premises.

vii. The vehicle’s wheels and wheel arches must be cleansed and disinfected before leaving any premises from which a carcase has been collected. The cleansing and disinfection after loading must take place at a point beyond which no contamination with mud, slurry, poultry faeces, feathers, litter, egg shell or any similar matter can take place.

viii. After unloading the poultry carcases at the premises of destination, the parts of the vehicle and any equipment used to transport anything which might be contaminated with mud, slurry, poultry faeces, excretions, feathers, litter, egg shell or any other similar matter must be cleansed and disinfected on site.

ix. All persons relying on this general licence to move poultry carcases must:
   a) not enter or leave premises wearing clothing or footwear which is visibly soiled with mud, poultry faeces or any similar matter;
   b) cleanse and disinfect their footwear on leaving premises within the controlled zone; and
   c) take all other reasonable precautions to avoid the transfer of contamination between premises.

x. 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 poultry carcases being moved,
b) the date of the movement,
c) the name of the consignor,
d) the address of the premises from which the carcases have been moved,
e) the registration of the collecting vehicle
f) the name of the consignee, and
g) the address of the premises of destination.

xi. A person moving poultry carcases under authority of this licence must, if asked to do so by an inspector, or other officer of the relevant Minister, give his/her name and address, produce the consignment note and allow copies or extract to be taken.

xii. A record of the movement as required by article 74 of the Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (England)(No.2) Order 2006 must be made as soon as is reasonably practicable after the movement and retained for at least 6 weeks after the movement is completed.

xiii. Disinfection must be in accordance with article 66(5) of the Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (England) (No.2.) Order 2006, article 66(4) of the Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (Wales) (No.2.) Order 2006 or article 65(4) of the Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (Scotland) Order 2006 as appropriate.

Notes

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

• The authority to move poultry carcases under this licence does not apply to premises under Notice as Infected, contact or Suspect Premises.

• A carcase may only be moved by a Collector registered under the requirements of Article 23 of Regulation (EC) No. 1069/2009 (Animal By Products legislation) unless operating from a premises approved under Article 24 of that Regulation. Any vehicle used to transport a carcase under this licence must comply with the relevant provisions of the Animal By-Products (England)(Enforcement) Regulations 2013 and their equivalent in Scotland and Wales.

• The destination premises must be approved in accordance with Article 24 of Regulation (EC) No.1069/2009.

• Further information is available:

  https://www.gov.uk/fallen-stock

• Contact your local Animal and Plant Health Office or Local Authority for further advice on biosecurity measures and any other legislation that may apply.