ENTRY OF AVIAN SPECIES INTO THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

(a) Every shipment of poultry and hatching eggs entering this State shall be accompanied by a certificate or label showing the name and address of the shipper and the National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP) Disease Program Status of the flock of origin. The certificate or label must be approved by the duly authorized agency of the state of origin.

(b) Hatching Eggs, Chicks, or Poults, and any poultry under 16 weeks of age shall:
   (1) Originate from a Pullorum-Typhoid (PT) clean flock and be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) or VS 9-3 NPIP form from the state of origin; and
   (2) Originate from a flock certified NPIP US H5/H7 Avian Influenza (AI) Clean or US AI Clean. Source hatcheries must handle only eggs from NPIP US AI Clean or US H5/H7 AI Clean parent flocks.

(c) Poultry and Ratites, 16 weeks of age and older, shall:
   (1) Originate from a P-T clean flock and have CVI or VS 9-3 NPIP form from state of origin, or negative P-T test within 30 days prior to entry; and
   (2) Originate from flock certified NPIP H5/H7 AI Clean or US AI Clean, with CVI (issued within 5 days of entry) or VS 9-3 NPIP form from state of origin, or be accompanied by records of a negative antigen detection AI test within 21 days prior to entering the state. (If the flock has more than 500 birds in number and is being tested for AI prior to entry, the owner or his agent must test 30 samples per flock and at least 10 per house, with all pens and houses represented.) Ratites shall also have a permit number from the NC State Veterinarians Office.

(d) Poultry entering NC for slaughter must be compliant with NPIP pre-slaughter guidelines for AI testing within 21 days of entry (11 samples per flock for chickens, and six samples per flock for turkeys). Pre-slaughter AI test records must accompany the flock on an official NPIP-approved laboratory form.

(e) Pigeons, doves, birds of prey, psitticines, and song birds shall:
   (1) have a permit number from the NC State Veterinarian's office; and
   (2) be accompanied by a CVI issued within five days of entry.

(f) No hatching eggs, chicks, poults or adult domestic poultry or ratites may enter NC if they originate in counties or areas under quarantine for H5/H7 Avian Influenza. Entry is not allowed for six weeks following last AI positive test.

(g) For conveyances or containers that have been in AI-infected counties:
   (1) No person, firm, or corporation shall re-use for transporting live poultry, any coop, crate, or other container that has been used previously for live poultry, unless said coop, crate, or other container has been cleaned and disinfected. No person, firm, or corporation shall transport on the public highways of this state any empty coop, crate, or other container that has been used previously for live poultry, except to transport such coop, crate, or other container to a designated point for cleaning and disinfecting.
   (2) Any truck, trailer, or other conveyance used in transporting live poultry shall be cleaned and disinfected after the hauling of each lot of live poultry.
   (3) Disinfectants acceptable for use under this Rule are limited to the chemicals listed in 9 CFR 71.10, 71.11 and 71.12.

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