A statewide quarantine HQ-220223-1Q (view online here) has been imposed on imports because live poultry, hatching eggs, & poultry products that may be infected with or exposed to Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) can devastate poultry in California.

All hatching eggs, live poultry, and certain poultry products that originated or passed through an out-of-state HPAI Control Area without obtaining an official movement permit WILL BE QUARANTINED and both the shipper and receiver may be issued a violation upon arrival at the destination.

Out-of-state HPAI Control Area restrictions ONLY apply if the origin of the movement is in a USDA/State HPAI Control Area OR if the origin premises is suspected of having HPAI.

For HPAI Control Areas that are inside California, all poultry premises within the Control Area will be under quarantine and ALL MOVEMENTS of poultry/poultry products will require permits to enter, leave, or move within the HPAI Control Area. There are currently no Control Areas in California.

What is a Control Area?
A geographic region designed to contain a foreign animal disease (FAD) outbreak such as HPAI. The control area consists of a central infected zone, surrounded by one or more buffer zones.

Out-Of-State Control Areas
Movement permits as required by the USDA or State authorities and permits required by California for:
1. Hatching or Embryonated Eggs
2. Nest-run Eggs
3. Poultry Products
4. Poultry Equipment (Ex. feed, etc.)
5. All Live Poultry Including:
   - All chickens
   - Doves
   - Ducks
   - Francolin
   - Gallinules
   - Geese
   - Grouse
   - Guinea fowl
   - Partridges
   - Peafowl
   - Pheasants
   - Pigeons
   - Quail
   - Swans
   - Tinamou
   - Turkeys
   - Ostriches & other ratites

There are currently no counties with control areas.
- The last domestic bird detection in California occurred February 2023
- The last wild bird detection in California occurred July 2023

Report any unusual or suspicious sick or dead domestic birds, to the Sick Bird Hotline at (866) 922-2473.

Questions and requests for animal movement permits e-mail the Animal Health Branch Permit Line at SFSPERmits@CDFA.CA.GOV.