POULTRY/POULTRY PRODUCTS REQUIRE PERMITS TO ENTER, LEAVE, OR MOVE WITHIN A HPAI CONTROL AREA (UPDATED: DECEMBER 27, 2022)

A statewide quarantine HQ-220223-1Q 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.

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

Exempt
Processed poultry products (including eggs for consumption) from out-of-state free areas going to licensed distribution or retail facilities inside California that do not have poultry on property or on adjacent property.

Not Exempt
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Affected numbers from 2022 HPAI:
# of States affected: 47
# of birds affected: 57.77 M
# of commercial flocks: 304
# of backyard flocks: 407
# of States with active cases: 29
# of States with Control Areas: 15
# of Counties with Control Areas: 27

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 SFSPERMIT@CDFA.CA.GOV.