



H5N1 Bird Flu Affected Dairies Quarantine Release Requirements

When a dairy tests positive for H5N1 Bird Flu, it will be placed under a quarantine to reduce the risk of viral spread.

Quarantine release requirements must meet the following:

1. Sixty (60) days after diagnosis, and when clinical signs are gone, CDFA will begin testing infected dairies through creamery samples. No action is needed, as this process will occur automatically. *Clinical signs include fever, dehydration, lethargy, abnormal tacky or loose feces, sudden drop in milk production, and respiratory signs like clear nasal discharge.*
2. An infected dairy will need three (3) **consecutive** negative creamery samples with seven (7) days between tests. Infected dairies will be notified of positive results. Negative results will not be reported, but will be tracked for quarantine release. For questions, you may call the Quarantine Release Coordinator at: **909-301-3481**.
3. Once the dairy has three negative test results (see above), our Response team will contact the dairy to complete a quarantine release form (AHB 76-293).

Dairies released from quarantine will be placed on the surveillance list for weekly testing through creameries.

**Unless a special exemption is requested for earlier quarantine release testing due to an absence of clinical signs, a 60-day quarantine release testing will proceed.*



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RELEASE OF QUARANTINE

(Food and Agricultural Code, Section 9562 and Title 3, California Code of Regulations, Section 1301 *et seq.*)

Owner: _____

Address: _____

You are hereby notified that the population of animals or animal product described below that were placed under Quarantine on _____, Notice Number _____ is released from Quarantine.
(Date)

Description of Population of Animals or Animal Product: _____

Present Location: _____

Release issued by: _____ Title _____ Date: _____ Time: _____

Release served by: _____ Title _____ Date: _____ Time: _____

Release received by: _____ Title _____ Date: _____ Time: _____

Note: Other populations of animals or animal product not described above that are subject to the Quarantine remain subject to the Quarantine until you receive written notice releasing them from Quarantine.