

#### **NOTICE TO OWNERS OF FARMED BIRDS**

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza Virus H5N1 in Québec

## HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA H5N1 HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED IN WILD AND FARMED BIRDS IN QUÉBEC.



#### MONITOR YOUR BIRDS FOR THE FOLLOWING CLINICAL SIGNS:

- Lack of energy and appetite
- Decreased egg production or soft shelled or shell less eggs
- Swollen head, eyelids, comb, wattles and shanks
- Cough, sneezing and neurological signs
- Diarrhea
- Lack of coordination
- Sudden death

In the event of unusual mortality or other signs of illness, see a veterinarian. If you are unable to find a veterinarian, call the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA)'s sick bird reporting line at 450 768 6763 or the Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l'Alimentation du Québec's (MAPAQ's) reporting line at 1 844 ANIMAUX.

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### AVOID CONTACT BETWEEN YOUR BIRDS AND WILD BIRDS.

Important information about preventing contact is available, visit <u>Québec.ca</u>.

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#### **COMPLY WITH REGULATION.**

Abide by the <u>Regulation respecting the sanitary</u> conditions applicable to places where birds are kept in captivity.



AVOID CONTACT BETWEEN SMALL FLOCKS AND COMMERCIAL FLOCKS.



# STRICTLY FOLLOW PREVENTION AND BIOSECURITY MEASURES FOR YOUR FLOCKS.

For more information, visit the <u>Équipe québécoise de</u> <u>contrôle des maladies avicoles</u> website (in French only).

To prevent the spread of avian influenza, **PRIMARY CONTROL ZONES (PCZS)** have been established around flocks that have tested positive for the disease.

In these zones, the movement of birds, their products and by products, as well as things exposed to birds, is restricted. Some types of movement are prohibited, while others require a permit.

- Check whether you live in a PCZ by visiting the <u>Highly</u> pathogenic avian influenza zones page on the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) website.
- Use the interactive tool on the CFIA's website for information on the required permits along with conditions for the transportation of birds and by products in PCZs.
- For more information and assistance with permits and movement control permissions in PCZs, small-flock and farmed bird owners can email the MAPAQ at permisZCPdeplacement@mapaq.gouv.qc.ca.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT AVIAN INFLUENZA, VISIT QUÉBEC.CA/AVIAN-INFLUENZA.







