



OFFICIAL OWNER-ENDORSED POULTRY HEALTH CERTIFICATE FOR ALL EXHIBITION POULTRY, WATERFOWL, UPLAND GAME BIRDS, RATITES, AND PIGEONS

A completed Owner-Endorsed Poultry Health Certificate must accompany all poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, ratites, and pigeons to an exhibition. The certificate must be presented to exhibition management prior to cooping of the birds. This certificate *must* be endorsed with the bird owner's signature.

The following information is required:

1. Exhibition Information:

a. Name of exhibition: CARBON COUNTY FAIR

b. Address of exhibition: 3285 Little Gap Road

Palmerton PA 18071
City State Zip

2. Owner Information:

a. Owner name: _____

b. Address: _____

City State Zip

c. Owner telephone number: (____) _____ - _____

d. Owner email address: _____



3. Testing Requirements: Owner verifies that birds shall not be comingled with untested or AI-positive birds after negative samples have been collected and before the show.

(a) Avian Influenza Testing and Verification (all samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or an Accredited Veterinarian):

- All poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds and ratites (pigeons/doves excluded) for exhibition must originate from a flock in good standing in the NPIP AI Clean Program or the NPIP H5/H7 AI Clean Program (the flock must be participating in the program – it is not considered to be a clean flock if only originating from a clean breeder flock or hatchery), and the birds must be accompanied by the most recent test report (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. The NPIP flock number must be noted on the report.

OR

- The birds must originate from a flock in which a random, representative sample of a minimum of 30 birds, 3 weeks of age or older, were tested for avian influenza within 30 days prior to opening date of the exhibition and the birds must be accompanied by the most recent test report (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. If there are fewer than 30 birds in the flock, test all birds. For ducks and geese, cloacal swab samples must be collected for testing, and the swabs may be tested using virus isolation (ducks and geese) or PCR (domestic ducks and geese) techniques. **Do not combine species in one tube for PCR testing.** Birds shall not be comingled with untested or AI-positive birds after negative samples have been collected and before the show.

(b) Pullorum-Typhoid Clean Testing and Verification (pigeons/doves and waterfowl excluded). (All samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or an Accredited Veterinarian):

- All poultry including upland game birds and ratites (pigeons/doves and waterfowl excluded), must originate from a flock in good standing in the NPIP Pullorum-Typhoid Clean Program (and there was no break in the chain of ownership by NPIP participants) or from a flock in good standing in the PA Pullorum Equivalent Program and the birds must be accompanied by the most recent test report (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. If the rapid whole-blood plate agglutination test was done, the most recent 9-2 or state equivalent form must accompany the birds (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. If birds are less than 1 year of age and originate from a NPIP Clean hatchery, they do not have to be tested for pullorum if they are accompanied by a 9-3 form from that hatchery and any additions to the flock were also from NPIP Clean sources. The NPIP number must be noted on the report for NPIP Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flocks.

OR

- All individual birds (pigeons/doves and waterfowl excluded) for exhibition (maximum of 300) must have had a pullorum-typhoid test within the 90 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition. The birds must be accompanied by the most recent test report or state equivalent form for the rapid test (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. The following age restrictions apply to comply with NPIP standards:

- Chickens shall be tested at 4 months of age or older.
- Turkeys shall be tested at 12 weeks of age or older.
- Game birds shall be tested at 4 months of age or older, or upon sexual maturity, whichever comes first.
- Ratites shall be tested at 12 months of age or older.
- All birds not meeting these age restrictions at the time of sampling are exempt from pullorum testing requirements.

(c) Vaccinations: No vaccinations of any kind shall be administered less than thirty (30) days before cooping day of the show.

4. Bird identification: All poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and pigeons entering an exhibition must bear a unique individual identification leg band.

5. Verification of flock health status: All poultry (including waterfowl), upland game birds, ratites, and pigeons for exhibit or display are part of a flock that is free from evidence of contagious diseases.

6. Verification of pigeons: Description of pigeons (number, age, color, gender): _____

7. Owner Endorsement:

I certify that the above information represents a true and accurate statement regarding my bird(s) and their home flock(s).

Owner Signature: _____ Date: _____

To report illness or mortality in your flock, call the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture at 717-772-2852.