

ANIMAL HEALTH (JERSEY) LAW 2016

ANIMAL HEALTH (BIRD DISEASES) (JERSEY) ORDER 2017

General Licence JSY/AI/22/***

General licence for the Spreading on Premises or movement of used poultry litter, poultry manure and poultry slurry originating from premises in a Protection or Surveillance Zone where poultry are kept

1. This general licence is issued in accordance with paragraph 8 of Schedule 4 and 6 of Schedule 5 of the Order.
2. This licence permits, subject to the conditions set out in the Schedule of Conditions attached, the spreading on premises and movement of litter, manure and slurry from premises in a Protection or Surveillance Zone where poultry are kept.
3. Used poultry litter, poultry manure and poultry slurry originating from premises in a Protection Zone cannot leave the zone. The exception being of small double-bagged quantities from pet chickens being placed out for collection by a waste disposal service, meaning a parish, which provides a collection service.

Signed;
States Veterinary Officer

Date:

Schedule of Conditions

1. The move must be direct to the destination where the used poultry litter, manure or slurry is to be **treated** (as described in condition 8 or 9 below) or disposed of (as described in condition 10 below).
2. Immediately prior to the movement of untreated or treated used poultry litter, manure or slurry the licensee must inspect the poultry on the premises of origin to confirm they show no clinical signs that could be associated with Avian Influenza.
3. Prior to removal and where large amounts of dust are likely to be produced during the handling process, appropriate additional biosecurity measures such as spraying the litter or manure with suitable virucidal disinfectants should be taken.
4. Before leaving the premises of origin:
 - the exterior of the vehicle must be free of any visible contamination with mud, slurry, animal faeces, excretions, poultry feathers, litter, egg shell or any other similar matter.

- the vehicle's wheels and wheel arches must be cleansed and disinfected after loading and before leaving the premises. The cleansing and disinfection must take place at a point beyond which no contamination with poultry feathers, faeces, litter, egg shell or any similar matter can take place.

5. The vehicle or container used to transport the materials must be leak proof. There must also be a spill kit available in the vehicle during transport in case of any spillage.

6. After unloading at the premises of destination:

- the parts of the vehicle and any equipment used to transport anything which might be contaminated with mud, slurry, poultry faeces, excretions, feathers or any other similar matter must be cleansed and disinfected on site.
- the vehicle's wheels and wheel arches must be cleansed and disinfected after unloading and before leaving the destination premises.

7. A copy of this licence must be provided to the operator of the destination premises.

8. Poultry litter, manure, and used bedding from a premises in the Protection or Surveillance Zones must not be applied to land or pasture in any way unless one of the following methods is employed:

- buried deep enough to prevent access by wild birds and animals,
- steam treated to a temperature of at least 70°C,
- sprayed with disinfectant (in line with condition 12 below) and as far as practicable covered with impervious sheeting to protected access from wild birds and other animals. It must be stacked and stored for a minimum of 42 days after the last addition of material at the premises, either at the premises of origin or the premises of destination

9. Slurry must be stored for a minimum of 60 days after the last addition of material either at the premises of origin or the premises of destination.

10. Poultry litter and/or manure from pet chickens can be double bagged and placed in a covered bin which cannot be accessed by wild birds or vermin for collection by the parish authorities.

11. After applying the treatments set out in conditions 8, or 9 the material is no longer under restriction and may be spread on the premises or moved to another premises for spreading subject to any restrictions on the premises where it is located.

The licensee must ensure that any person(s) involved in this movement:

- does not enter or leave any poultry or captive bird premises wearing clothing or footwear which is visibly soiled with mud, poultry or bird faeces or any similar matter;
- cleanses and disinfects their footwear before entering or leaving any premises or place where poultry or captive birds were present
- removes any disposable clothing before leaving a poultry or captive bird premises and does not reuse it at further premises
- ensures non disposable clothing is clean and free of all visible contamination before leaving a poultry or captive bird premises; and
- takes all other reasonable precautions to avoid transferring mud, slurry, animal faeces, excretions, feathers or any other similar matter between poultry and captive bird premises

12. Cleansing and disinfection must be in accordance with article 31 of the Order.

13. This licence does not apply to any premises which has been served a restriction notice by a veterinary inspector.

Notes

1. "The Order" means the **ANIMAL HEALTH (BIRD DISEASES) (JERSEY) ORDER 2017**

2. A record of the movement must also be made as soon as is reasonably practicable after the movement and retained for at least 6 months after the movement is completed.

3. Where the use of a disinfectant is required under this licence, the disinfectant must be approved under the Diseases of Animals (Approved Disinfectants) (England) Order 2007 in England or the Diseases of Animals (Approved Disinfectants) (Wales) Order 2007 in Wales. It must be used at the correct concentration and allow adequate contact time.

4. Where material is to be stacked or stored on premises this should be in line with relevant guidance to protect our water, soil and air.

5. If you suspect notifiable disease you must report this immediately to Natural Environment on 01534 441600.

A copy of this general licence can be viewed

<https://www.gov.je/Industry/FarmingFishing/FarmingLivestock/AnimalDisease/Pages/AvianFlu.aspx>

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You must also comply with Article 25 – (Requirements for General Licences)

- (1) Where a licence is granted under any relevant legislation it must be in writing and may be –
- (a) either of general application (a "**general licence**") or specific to any particular animal, bird, person, premises or any other thing or particular situation (a "specific licence");
 - (b) subject to conditions; and
 - (c) amended, suspended or revoked in writing at any time.
- (2) (This paragraph has been deleted as it refers to "specific licences")
- (3) A person moving an animal, bird or thing under the authority of a **general licence** must –
- (a) at all times during the movement, carry a document containing details of –
 - (i) what is being transported, including the quantity,
 - (ii) the date of the movement,
 - (iii) the names of the persons responsible for the animal, bird or thing being moved at the place of departure and the place of destination,
 - (iv) the addresses of the place of departure and the place of destination;
 - (b) when so demanded by an inspector, produce the document and allow a copy to be taken of it or details to be extracted from it; and state which general licence gives the authority for the movement; and
 - (c) retain the documentation relating to each movement for at least 6 months after the last movement made under its authority.

(4) If an animal, bird or thing has been moved to premises under a licence, an inspector may serve a notice on the occupier of those premises imposing such restrictions in relation to the premises as the inspector considers are necessary to reduce the risk of spreading disease.

(5) A person to whom a licence is granted under any relevant legislation must comply with any conditions of the licence.

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