



## HPAI Biosecurity Checklist for Farm Owners

<b>Farm Name:</b>			
<b>Owner's Name:</b>			
<b>Address:</b>			
<b>Phone Number:</b>			
<b>Email Address:</b>			
<b>Date:</b>		<b>In-person or virtual/phone site visit:</b>	
<b>HCHD Staff Name:</b>			
<b>Farm Information</b>			
Number of barns:			
Number of birds in each barn:		Total number of birds:	
Species of birds:			
Type of flock (turkey, chicken, layer, breeder, backyard, etc.):			
Types of other animals:		Total number of other animals:	
Number of employees:			
Number of employees with direct flock exposure:			
<b>Avian Influenza Biosafety Checklist</b>			<b>Yes</b>
			<b>No</b>
<b>1</b>	All employees been trained on biosecurity upon hire and annually after that		
<b>2</b>	Biosecurity training records up to date		
<b>3</b>	Poultry under roof and house doors locked		
<b>4</b>	Restrict access to poultry by posting "restricted access" signage securing the area with a locked gate or both		
<b>5</b>	Keep pets away from egg room, chicken houses and egg processing area		
<b>6</b>	Ensure that contaminated materials on the ground are not transported into the poultry growing house or area.		
<b>7</b>	Workers provided with appropriate PPE based on the results of the hazard assessment. PPE may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Disposable gloves or gloves capable of being disinfected</li> <li>▪ Protective clothing (e.g., long-sleeved coveralls with a waterproof apron)</li> <li>▪ Disposable shoe covers or shoe covers that can be disinfected</li> <li>▪ Safety goggles</li> <li>▪ Respiratory protection</li> </ul>		
<b>8</b>	Feed covered and secured to prevent wild birds, rodents, or other animals from accessing it		
<b>9</b>	Ensure wild birds and rodents cannot access water supplies for drinker and cool cells		

<b>10</b>	Provide the following items to anyone entering or leaving any area where poultry are kept: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• foot baths and foot mats with disinfectant</li> <li>• boot washing and disinfectant station</li> <li>• foot change or foot cover</li> </ul>		
<b>11</b>	Cover and properly contain used litter, or other disease-containing organic materials to prevent wild birds, rodents, or other animals from accessing them, and keep them from being blown around by the wind		
<b>12</b>	Clean and disinfect any off-farm tools or equipment before use and again before leaving the farm		
<b>13</b>	Handwashing/sanitizing stations available at each poultry house entrance		
<b>14</b>	Keep a visitor's logbook that records, visitor's name, company affiliation, time of entry, statement confirming no contact with other birds or poultry during the preceding 3 days, departure time and contact telephone#		
<b>15</b>	Do not let visitors enter the farm or chicken houses unless necessary		
<b>16</b>	Clean and disinfect chicken transport equipment (carts, loaders, ramps) before use, unless removing all poultry from the premises		
<b>17</b>	Promote seasonal influenza vaccination for all employees		
<b>18</b>	Allow MDA and Health Department to enter the premises during normal working hours to inspect your biosecurity and sanitation practices. Maintain a log of those who access poultry house		
<b>19</b>	Report any unusual or sudden increases in sick birds and death to the MDA Animal Health Program at 410-841-5810 and Howard County Health Department at 410-313-1412		

For additional information on avian influenza, please visit the websites listed below:

[MDA Poultry Information](#)

[MDA Avian Flu](#)

[Avian Influenza in Birds | Avian Influenza \(Flu\) \(cdc.gov\)](#)

[Maryland Sick Bird Reporting for Back Yard Flocks](#)

[USDA HPAI Biosecurity Checklist](#)