



NEBRASKA CONTROLLED MOVEMENT ORDER

TO ALL AFFECTED PERSONS:

You are hereby notified that the Nebraska Department of Agriculture (Department) is establishing a Controlled Movement Order prohibiting bird events due to highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) pursuant to the Animal Health and Disease Control Act (Act), Neb. Rev. Stat. §§54-2901 to 2957.

Section 54-2939 of the Act states that it is the policy of this state that animal health and disease control are essential to the livestock industry and the health of the economy of Nebraska. The purpose of the Act is to further the best interests of Nebraska's livestock industry and to grow Nebraska agriculture. In carrying out its duty to protect the health of Nebraska's poultry (domesticated birds that are a source of eggs or meat and includes, but is not limited to, chickens, turkeys, ducks, and geese). Section 54-2940 provides that in carrying out its duties to prevent, suppress, control, and eradicate dangerous diseases the Department has the authority to regulate or prohibit animal or regulated article movement into, within, or through the state through controlled movement orders deemed necessary by the State Veterinarian.

This Order prohibits birds of any type at events including but not limited to fairs, expositions, swap meets, exotic sales and live bird auctions. The Order does not apply to the selling of chicks, ducklings and goslings at farm stores which were hatched in National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP) flocks.

This Order is effectively immediately and will be in effect until May 1, 2022, at which time the order will be reevaluated.

Dated at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 26th day of March, 2022.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Roger Dudley, DVM

Nebraska State Veterinarian

Animal and Plant Health Protection