

DRAFT VETERINARY HEALTH CERTIFICATE FOR IMPORT OF LIVE POULTRY/ DAY OLD POULTRY/ HATCHING EGGS OF POULTRY INTO INDIA

I. General Information

1. Veterinary Health certificate No: Date:	2. Competent Authority 2.1 Ministry: 2.2 Department: 2.3 Contact Details and Email:				
3. Name of the product: 3.1 live poultry/ day old poultry/hatching eggs of poultry Mark/Egg mark: Number: Species: Breed: Date of Hatching (in case of hatching eggs):	4. Quantity/number with details: 4.1 Invoice No. and Date: 4.2 Type of packaging: 4.3 No. of packages: 4.4 Net weight: 4.5 Lot no./Batch No: 4.6 Seal No: 4.7 Identification of Container:				
5. Consignor / exporter Name: Address: Tel. no. and Email:					
6. Consignee /importer: Name: Address: Tel. no. and Email:					
7. Country of origin:	ISO Code:				
8. Place of loading:					
9. Country of Destination:	ISO Code:				
10. Declared Port of Entry					
11. Mode of Transport:					
12. Identification of the product as described below:					
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II. Sanitary Information (strike off whichever is not applicable)

The undersigned official veterinarian certifies that the product (Live Poultry/ Day Old Poultry/Hatching Eggs Of Poultry) described above satisfies the following requirements:

A. In case of day old live poultry/ live poultry (other than day old live poultry)

- i. The day old live poultry/live poultry originated and kept in Avian Influenza (HPAI and LPAI) and New Castle Disease (NDV) free country, zone or compartment since they were hatched and were derived from parent flocks which had been kept in Avian Influenza (HPAI and LPAI) and NDV free country, zone or compartment prior to and at the time of the collection of the eggs for hatching. *(The country freedom shall be as per WOAHA listing and the name with detail of the free zone or compartment shall be approved and listed under WOAHA)*

Note: In case of compartment/zone, the name, approval/registration number with validity shall be mentioned in the Official Veterinary Health Certificate (VHC) and the approval/registration certificate with surveillance and biosecurity protocol shall be attached with VHC.

- ii. The day old poultry/live poultry were derived from the compartment and/or hatcheries which are recognized as being free from fowl typhoid and pullorum disease, avian mycoplasmosis, ILT & IB and from Hatcheries which comply with the standards as recognized as being free from fowl typhoid and pullorum disease (as per WOAHA Article 10.7.3), avian mycoplasmosis (as per WOAHA Article 10.5.4), ILT & IB and from Hatcheries which comply with the standards as mentioned in Chapter 6.5 of the WOAHA Terrestrial Animal Health Code and regularly inspected by the Veterinary Authorities of the country of origin.
- iii. The day old poultry/live poultry have been vaccinated against Infectious Laryngo Tracheitis (ILT) and Infectious Bronchitis (IB) (provide nature of vaccine used and the date of vaccination) or have not been vaccinated;
- iv. The day old poultry/live poultry are the progeny of parent flocks which:
 - a) come from compartments/hatcheries which are recognized as being free from ILT and IB (based on serological results)
 - b) come from establishments in which vaccination against ILT and IB is not practiced on the parent stock; or come from establishments in which vaccination against ILT and IB is practiced on the parent stock.
 - c) originated from the officially approved compartments which did not show any clinical sign and symptoms of any infectious/contagious diseases related to the source bird species including Avian Influenza, NDV, Avian Chlamydiosis, Infectious bronchitis, Infectious Laryngotracheitis, Mycoplasmosis, Salmonellosis, Fowl Typhoid and Pullorum Disease, Infectious Bursal Disease.

- d) come from compartment and hatcheries which are officially recognized as being free from Avian Infectious Bronchitis (IB), Avian Infectious Laryngotracheitis (ILT), Infectious Bursal Disease based on the results of serological tests.
 - e) were subjected to a diagnostic test at the time of the collection of the eggs to demonstrate freedom from infection with NDV.
- v. If the parents of the G.P. Stock (day old poultry/live poultry) to be imported have been vaccinated against Avian Influenza, the same has to be indicated along with the name of the vaccine, manufacturer and date of manufacture and the date of vaccination.
- vi. The day old poultry/live poultry to be imported should not have been vaccinated against Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (H5 & H7 - subtypes). If any other vaccine, except the above is used, the same has to be indicated along with the type and name of vaccine and strain, name & address of the manufacturer, date of manufacture and history/schedule of vaccination.
- vii. The country of origin should have conducted a sero-surveillance within 45 days ahead of export in respect to country (when country freedom is certified) and within 30 days ahead of export in respect to zone or compartment (when country freedom is not certified) and the status in respect of Avian Influenza (H5 & H7 - subtypes) should be negative.
- viii. The day old poultry/live poultry to be imported had no contact with poultry not meeting the requirements laid down in this certificate or with wild birds or imported captive birds.
- ix. Adequate precautions were taken after collection, processing and during transit to avoid contact and contamination of product with any potential source of infection. The product is packed in new, fresh, clean packing material and the materials are not exposed to any products with potential source of infectious materials.

B. In case of Hatching eggs:

- i. The hatching eggs originated and kept in Avian Influenza and New Castle Disease (NDV) free country, zone or compartment since they were hatched and were derived from parent flocks which had been kept in Avian Influenza (HPAI and LPAI) and NDV free country, zone or compartment prior to and at the time of the collection of the eggs for hatching. *(The country freedom shall be as per WOAHP listing and the name with detail of the free zone or compartment shall be approved and listed under WOAHP)*

Note: In case of compartment/zone, the name, approval/registration number with validity shall be mentioned in the Official Veterinary Health Certificate (VHC) and the approval/registration certificate with surveillance and biosecurity protocol shall be attached with VHC.

- ii. The hatching eggs came from compartments and /or hatcheries which are recognized as being free from fowl typhoid and pullorum disease (as per WOAHA Article 10.7.4), avian mycoplasmosis (as per WOAHA Article 10.5.5), ILT & IB and from Hatcheries which comply with the standards as mentioned in Chapter 6.5 of the WOAHA Terrestrial Animal Health Code and regularly inspected by the Veterinary Authorities of the country of origin.

Note: In case of compartment/zone, the name, approval no. with validity shall be mentioned in the Official Veterinary Health Certificate (VHC).

- iii. The product is obtained from the live and officially certified healthy donor birds originated from the officially approved compartments which did not show any clinical sign and symptoms of any infectious/contagious diseases related to the source bird species including Avian Influenza, NDV, Avian Chlamydiosis, Infectious bronchitis, Infectious Laryngotracheitis, Mycoplasmosis, Salmonellosis, Fowl Typhoid and Pullorum Disease, Infectious Bursal Disease.
- iv. The parent flock birds were subjected to a diagnostic test seven days prior to and at the time of the collection of the eggs to demonstrate freedom from infection with NDV.
- v. The hatching eggs have been sanitized and disinfected in accordance with WOAHA Chapter 6.5 of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code.
- vi. Come from compartment and hatcheries which are officially recognized as being free from Avian Infectious Bronchitis (IB), Avian Infectious Laryngotracheitis (ILT), Infectious Bursal Disease based on the results of serological tests
- vii. If the source birds/poultry of the hatching eggs to be imported have been vaccinated against Avian Influenza, the same has to be indicated along with the name of the vaccine, manufacturer and date of manufacture and the date of vaccination.
- viii. Adequate precautions were taken after collection, processing and during transit to avoid contact and contamination of product with any potential source of infection. The product is packed in new, fresh, clean packing material and the materials are not exposed to any products with potential source of infectious materials.

Official stamp:

Signature _____

Official Veterinarian	
Name:	Designation:
Address, Telephone and Email:	
Date:	

Post import clearance requirements:

1. On arrival in India the consignment and the documents will be examined by Animal Quarantine and Certification Services, Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India.
2. The samples shall be taken for testing of Avian Influenza by ICAR-NIHSAD in case imported from Avian Influenza infected country.
3. In case the documents are not conforming to the requirements and the product is not as per protocol or tested positive for any disease, appropriate action shall be taken by the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India at the cost of importing agency as per the notification no. S.O. 2666 (E) dated 16.10.2014.
4. Day old poultry/live poultry/hatching eggs would be used for the intended purpose only.

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