



Commodity Movement Guidance

UPLAND GAME BIRD DAY-OLD CHICKS

Product Description

Upland game bird day-old chicks are newly hatched chicks from commercially raised types of upland game birds within a couple of days after hatching at a hatchery with no breeder birds onsite. Upland game bird day-old chicks may be used for the purposes of release in game preserves for birds such as pheasant, bobwhite quail, and chukar.

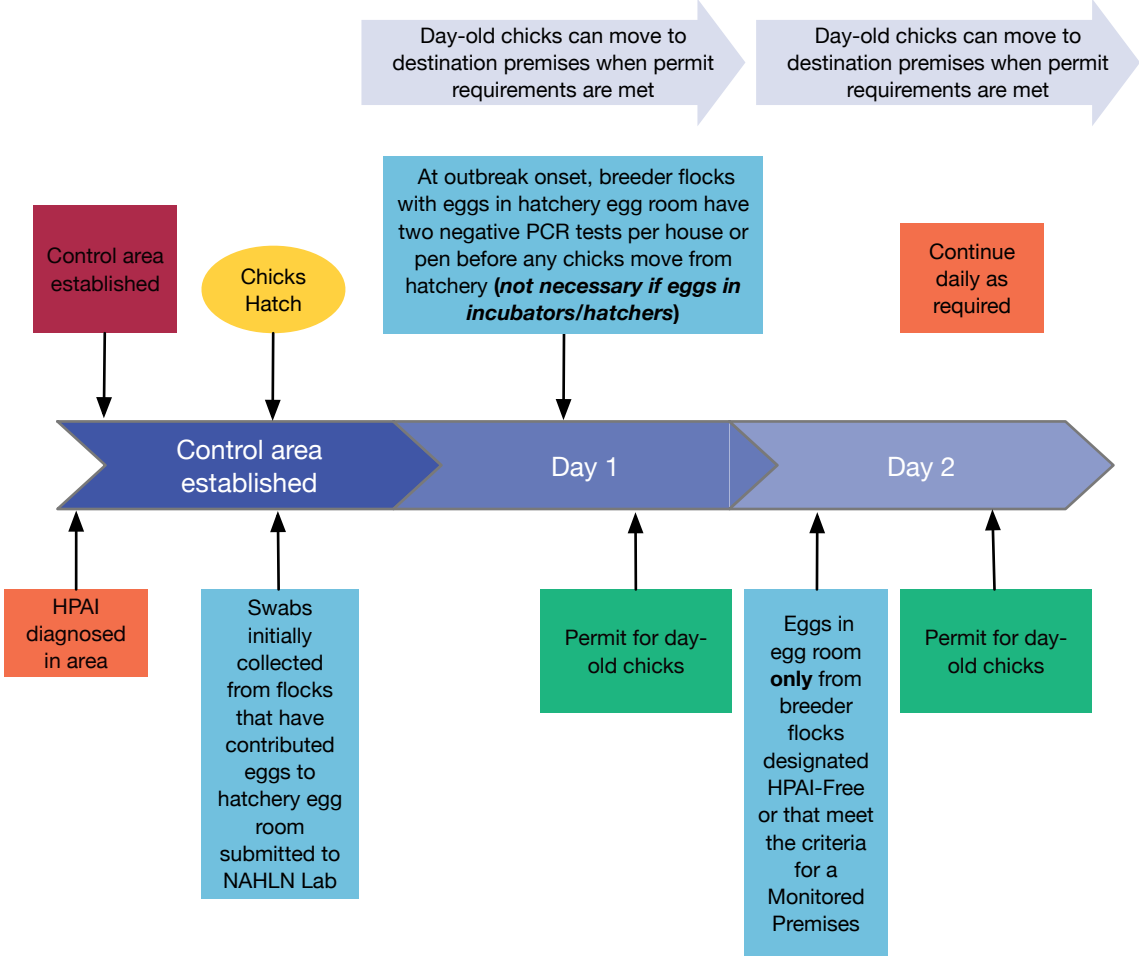
Requirements to be Met Prior to Movement

- Chicks are moving from a hatchery that has a national premises identification number (PIN) and that receives eggs from breeder premises that are designated highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI)-free or that meet the criteria for a Monitored Premises designation (not an Infected Premises, Contact Premises, or Suspect Premises).
- Truck & driver biosecurity is implemented.
- Product-specific biosecurity as described in the appropriate Secure Poultry Supply Permit Guidance document (see sub-bullet) is implemented and acceptable to Responsible Regulatory Officials.
 - [Movement of upland game bird day-old chicks from a hatchery to an upland game bird farm¹](#) (low risk)
- Before any chicks move, at onset of outbreak, initial testing of all breeder flocks located in the Control Area with eggs in hatchery egg room (*but not necessary if eggs in incubators/hatchers*) should have two negative PCR tests per house or pen.
- When the Control Area is first established, if hatching eggs from breeder flocks of undetermined HPAI infection status in the Control Area are present in the hatchery, the hatchery connecting passages and receiving storage areas should be cleaned and disinfected with an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) registered disinfectant.
- Once Control Area and breeder flock testing is established, thereafter only chicks from breeder flocks designated HPAI-free or that meet the criteria for a Monitored Premises designation may be moved from a hatchery within the Control Area.

¹ https://securepoultrysupply.umn.edu/sites/securepoultrysupply.umn.edu/files/2022-06/suqs_permit_guidance_uq_dayold_chicks_3_30_22.pdf

Commodity Requirements Flowchart

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Upland game bird day-old chicks may move by permit from a hatchery to an upland game bird farm, provided permit requirements have been met. Requirements include appropriate premises designations, biosecurity, and rRT-PCR testing. Before any chicks move, at onset of an outbreak, initial testing of all breeder flocks located in a Control Area with eggs in a hatchery egg room (but not necessary if eggs in incubators/hatchers) should have two negative PCR tests per house or pen. Once the Control Area and breeder flock testing is established, hatching eggs from flocks inside the Control Area must come from flocks designated HPAI-free or that meet the criteria for a Monitored Premises designation.