

## **EXD249(HPAI)(E)**

Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

Animal Health Act 1981

Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (England) (No.2) Order 2006

### **General licence for the movement of poultry meat from poultry originating in a Protection Zone or originating from an area that subsequently becomes a Protection Zone**

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I, being a veterinary inspector appointed by the Secretary of State for the purposes of the Animal Health Act 1981, grant the following licence under Article 63(2) and paragraph 14 of Schedule 4 of the Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (England) (No.2) Order 2006 ("the Order").

#### **Licence**

This licence permits, subject to the conditions set out in the Schedule of Conditions attached, the movement of the following types of poultry meat from any premises to any premises, including movements into, within or out of the Protection Zone:

1. poultry meat produced from poultry originating in a Protection Zone;
2. poultry meat produced from poultry from an area which subsequent to such production becomes a Protection Zone, and which does **not** meet the requirements of article 63(3)(b) of the Order

This licence does not permit the movement of the meat listed above to other Member States or third countries.

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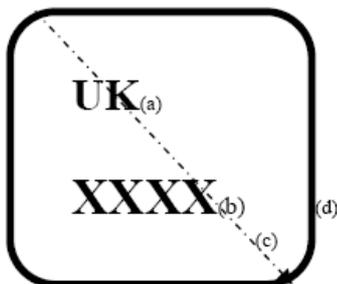
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## Schedule - General Licence Conditions

- i) Before leaving a slaughterhouse in the protection zone or the surveillance zone, the licensee must ensure that the exterior of the vehicle are free of any visible contamination with mud, slurry, animal faeces, excretions or any other similar matter.
- ii) The licensee must ensure that the vehicle's wheels and wheel arches are cleansed and disinfected after loading and before leaving the slaughterhouse. 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. Disinfection must be in accordance with article 66(5) of the Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (England) (No.2) Order 2006.
- iii) Where unpackaged meat, carcasses or undressed carcasses moved under this licence are transported, the interior of the vehicle and all containers used for transportation must be thoroughly cleansed and disinfected, in accordance with article 66(5) of the Order, after unloading. Disinfection must be in accordance with relevant hygiene EC Regulation 853/2004 laying down specific hygiene rules for food of animal origin.

### NOTES

1. *Poultry meat from poultry originating in a protection zone described under point 1 or 2 of this licence (or its packaging) must bear the mark approved by the Secretary of State under article 63(2) of the Order (reproduced below). This meat cannot be exported.*



Where:

- (a) UK – letters 8 mm high;
- (b) XXXX (where XXXX is the approval number of the premises, as referred to in point 7 of Part B of Section I of Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004) – Numbers 11 mm high;
- (c) diameter (to outer edge of border) - not less than 30 mm;
- (d) thickness of border - 3 mm.

2. *Article 63(3)(b) of the Order stipulates that meat produced from poultry from an area which subsequent to such production becomes a protection zone can move without a licence if:*
  - (i) *it was produced at least 21 days before the date a veterinary inspector estimates as the date of earliest infection at premises in the protection zone (**the date of earliest infection is published on the Defra website**); and*
  - (ii) *it has been obtained, cut, transported and stored separately from meat produced after that date.*

3. *Poultry meat under this licence must not leave a slaughterhouse unless the requirements of Article 63(2) of the Order are met, namely is obtained, cut, transported, and stored separately from poultry meat from outside of the zone, and bears the approved mark which has been applied in accordance with normal hygiene rules.*
4. *Poultry meat bearing the special mark, including such meat moved under this licence, is restricted to the domestic market and cannot enter intra-community or international trade.*
5. *All poultry meat moving under this licence must satisfy the separation requirements in the Order – see article 63(2) of the Order.*
6. *For the purpose of this licence “poultry meat” means poultry meat and any product containing it which has not been heat treated at a minimum temperature of 70°C, reached throughout the entire meat or product. Poultry meat or poultry meat products that have been treated to a minimum temperature of 70°C reached throughout the meat or product can be moved without a licence.*
7. *Movement records must be retained as required by the order for at least 6 weeks from the date the movement was completed*
8. *A person moving anything under the authority of a general licence granted under the Order must carry with him, at all times during the licensed movement, a consignment note which contains details of what is moved, including its quantity; the date of the movement; the name of the consignor; the address of the premises from which the movement started; the name of the consignee; and the address of the premises of destination. On demand by a veterinary inspector or other officer of the Secretary of State or by an inspector, the person moving anything under authority of a general licence must produce the consignment note and allow a copy or extract to be taken, and on such demand must provide his name and address.*

**Failure to observe the measures required in this licence is an offence under Section 73 of the Animal Health Act 1981. The penalty on conviction of an offence under this section is a maximum of six months imprisonment and/or a £5,000 fine.**