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Department of Agriculture
BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY
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GaBAIsa Pag-unlad ng Paghahayupan

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

No. <u>38</u> Series of 2020

TO

ALL CONCERNED

FROM

OFFICER-IN-CHARGE, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT

TRANSITORY REGULATIONSFOR THE LOCAL MOVEMENT OF LIVE

DOMESTIC POULTRY AND THEIR PRODUCTS (POULTRY MEAT, DAY OLD CHICKS, EGGS, MANURE) INCLUDING LIVE SWINE DURING THE 90-DAY AVIAN

INFLUENZA SURVEILLANCE PERIOD

DATE

30 JULY 2020

In view of the recent confirmation of Avian Influenza(AI) H5N6 detection and reemergence in San Luis, Pampanga and to prevent the inadvertent introduction and spread to disease free areas while complying with the 90-day prescribed surveillance period,in accordance with Chapter 10.4 of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2019), necessary to regain the country's Avian Influenza freedom status, the following provisions pursuant to the updated edition of Avian Influenza Preparedness Plan (AIPP) are hereby prescribed:

- Movement of harvestable broiler chickens may be allowed, from AI Quarantine Area (1km radius from Infected Premises)to any destination within Luzon, PROVIDED:
 - a.1 They tested negative within Five (5) days from time of harvest;
 - a.2 The transport carrier shall be sealed with a BAI approved seal before leaving the farm. The seal shall be provided by the farm in accordance with the specifications approved by BAI. The seal shall remain intact and may only be opened upon arrival at the destination.
 - a.3 The chickens shall be transported directly to poultry dressing plants/wet markets. There shall only be one source farm and one destination.
- b. Movement of Ready to Lay Pullets and Spent Layer and Breeder Hens from AI Quarantine Area may be allowed, provided there shall be a Negative AI Test Result with samples collected within seven (7) days prior to transport.
- Movement of chicken dung from AI Quarantine Area to any destination in the country is strictly prohibited.
- d. Transport of embryonated and table eggs (including quail eggs) from farms within the AI Quarantine area will be allowed but must be subjected to disinfection which shall be supervised by the LGU Veterinarian;
 - d.1 Embryonated eggs must be disinfected by the shipper prior to loading with acetic acid/vinegar at 1:10 dilution or any food grade disinfectant to be supervised by the Veterinary Quarantine Officer;
 - d.2 Table eggs must be disinfected with the use of Ultraviolet and Ozone gas Device.

d.3 A Certificate of Disinfection shall be issued by the LGU Veterinarian and Veterinary Quarantine Officer once the process has been completed. This will be validated by the Veterinary Quarantine Officer at the port of destination.

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- e. Any non-essential activity involving the gathering of any poultry/bird species in the AI Quarantine Area and Surveillance Area (7-km radius from Quarantine Area)shall be prohibited during the period of stamping out and restocking of the Infected Premises. This shall include cockfighting, sale of live birds in public market or in any road network, trade fair or show of poultry, etc.
- f. Movement OUT of Live Swine from the AI Quarantine Area and Surveillance Area is permitted provided it is sourced from accredited farm and tested negative for Swine Influenza (H5 and H6).
- g. The temporary prohibition on Pigeon Racing, Flying, Training and Other Related Activities as per BAI Memorandum Circular No. 02 s.2020 shall remain enforced, with the movement ban to include breeding purposes.
- h. All other provisions of **DA Administrative Order No.5** for the transport of Live Poultry and poultry products, as far as applicable, shall apply.

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately.

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