

Operation Directions for the Importation of Day-old Poultry and Fertilized Eggs from the Designated Establishments

1. The Operation Directions are enacted to add, suspend and regain the designation of the designated establishments (hereinafter referred to as DE(s)) by the Ministry of Agriculture (hereinafter referred to as the MOA), and pursuant to the Subparagraph 2 of Paragraph 2 of Article 4 of the “Regulations for the Importation of Objects Subject to Animal Quarantine”.
2. The government of the exporting country, the domestic associations or the importers apply to the MOA for adding and regaining the designation according to the Operation Directions. For the application of the DE(s) which is conducted assessment and approved by the MOA to ensure the DE(s) is able to prevent the risk of highly pathogenic avian influenza (hereinafter refer to as HPAI) from being introduced to this country, the DE(s) will be listed as qualified establishments (Table.1) or observed establishments (Table.2) according to Article 3 of the Operation Directions, and will be added to the list of the DE(s) for day-old poultry and fertilized eggs published on the website of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Agency (hereinafter referred to as APHIA).
- 3.1 The DE(s) will be added to the list after the MOA’s review, which comply with all of the following requirements:
 - 3.1.1 No cases of HPAI have been occurred in the past 6 months in the DE(s).
 - 3.1.2 The Department of Animal Industry of the MOA assesses that it is required by the domestic industry.
 - 3.1.3 The previous qualified importing record is confirmed by APHIA.

- 3.2 The DE(s) that have exported day-old poultry and fertilized eggs to this country with qualified importing records will be listed as qualified establishments (Table.1). The DE(s) that has no importing records will be listed as observed establishments (Table.2).
4. The MOA will immediately suspend the designation of the DE(s) from exporting day-old poultry or fertilized eggs when one of the following conditions are met:
- 4.1 The information from the World Animal Health Information System (WAHIS) of the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH), the website of the exporting country or other countries shows that there is an HPAI outbreak in the DE(s).
 - 4.2 This country received notification of HPAI outbreak in the DE(s) from the competent authority of the exporting country.
 - 4.3 Any non-compliance of the import quarantine requirements is found by APHIA.
 - 4.4 The exporting country does not cooperate in conducting the on-site audit for the DE(s).
5. The DE(s) will be regained their designation by complying with one of the following requirements:
- 5.1 The suspension of the DE(s) information of WAHIS, of the website of the exporting country, or the application of the exporting country has been reviewed and confirmed by APHIA demonstrating that after completing the culling, cleaning and disinfection for the last case, the DE(s) has been free from HPAI for at least 28 days (wild bird cases are not applicable).
 - 5.2 The on-site audit of the DE(s) has been completed and the result(s) demonstrates that the DE(s) complies with the relevant import quarantine requirements.

6. This country may conduct on-site audit of the DE(s) when one of the following conditions are met:
 - 6.1 There is suspicion about the HPAI outbreak or the biosecurity management in the DE(s).
 - 6.2 Due to the HPAI outbreak in the DE(s), the DE(s) has been suspended for exporting day-old poultry or fertilized eggs to this country in accordance with Article 4 of the Operation Directions, but intend to apply for regaining the designation.
 - 6.3 The DE(s) does not meet the relevant import quarantine requirements and has been suspended for exporting day-old poultry or fertilized eggs to this country in accordance with Article 4 of the Operation Directions, but intend to apply for regaining the designation.
 - 6.4 The DE(s) applies for listing as qualified establishments (Table.1) or observed establishments (Table.2).
7. During the period from the application for the quarantine inspection of importation of day-old poultry and fertilized eggs to the completion of post-entry quarantine, if HPAI outbreak is suspected in the DE(s), the sampling of 15 individuals for HPAI testing as enhanced quarantine measure shall be conducted.