

# NOW IS THE TIME TO PROTECT YOUR FLOCK AGAINST AVIAN FLU

## Manure Hauling Considerations

The highly contagious and deadly avian influenza (HPAI) is an immediate, high-level threat to poultry in Pennsylvania. To help safeguard the industry, strict standards for cleaning vehicles, containers and materials that transport poultry and related products have been enacted by the Pa. Dept of Agriculture.

### Cleaning and disinfecting are essential to avoid spread of avian flu

2015 Interstate and General Quarantine Order; Virus Control for Highly Pathogenic Avian Flu Vehicle, Container and Materials Standard is in effect.

- All vehicles, conveyances, containers, and materials that transport poultry and related products must be completely cleaned and disinfected using commercial truck washing equipment before entry onto a new premises.
- There must be no visible buildups of manure and feathers before entering the premises of a poultry operation to load or pick up poultry or poultry products.
- Written documentation of cleaning and disinfection must be maintained.

For details on the Order, go to



### Safeguard the poultry industry

IF YOU SUSPECT HPAI IN YOUR FLOCK call the PDA hotline immediately. Do not move the birds. There is no penalty for calling and testing for surveillance is free.

IF A PROBLEM ARISES WITH NON-COMPLIANCE to the conveyance standards, call the PDA hotline.

Contact Pa. Department of Agriculture (PDA) hotline at 717-722-2852 (press option 1 to reach the veterinarian on call)

Biosecurity isn't optional.  
**Do your part.**

Don't allow non-essential vehicles access to your farm.

To avoid spreading disease from farm to farm, be sure any trucks and trailers that enter your farm have been cleaned and disinfected.

Thoroughly clean and disinfect footwear, clothing, cages, crates, coops, equipment used to handle poultry manure, poultry waste, poultry feed, litter, or bedding.

Stay informed

For more information, resources, and the latest developments in the fight against HPAI, go to the Penn State Extension web page at [extension.psu.edu/avian-influenza](http://extension.psu.edu/avian-influenza)

