

NOW IS THE TIME TO PROTECT YOUR FLOCK AGAINST AVIAN FLU

The highly contagious and deadly avian influenza (HPAI) has been confirmed in Lancaster and Berks Counties, Pa. Immediate actions are required by the Pa. Dept of Agriculture to stem the spread of this disease.

HPAI Test Sample Submission Instructions

WHO

Poultry companies operating in the control and surveillance zones should have biological samples collected by:

1. Company certified poultry technician OR
2. Personal certified poultry technician OR
3. Trained HPAI samplers OR
4. Veterinarian-acquired samples

ACTION REQUIRED

If you are in the **Control Zone**, permits are required to move poultry, poultry products (including eggs), manure, feed, and other related items into, out of, within, or between Control Zones.

Farms are required to test in this zone (see chart below).

If you are in the **Surveillance Zone**, farms are required to test weekly in this zone.

REQUIRED TESTING FREQUENCY FOR ALL OPERATIONS

Location	Operation Type	Submit
Control Zone (10km)	Weekly (Testing for permitted movements can be used to meet weekly surveillance testing requirement)	Call Permitting Hotline at 717-772-2852 Option 1 followed by Option 4
Surveillance Zone (20km)	Weekly	No pre-movement testing or permit required unless moving poultry or poultry products into a Control Zone

WHERE/WHEN

Take your samples to any one of the following sites.

Approved collectors are CPT, Vet & HPAI sampler.

Location	Address	Hours
Lancaster County	Landisville Research Farm 1446 Auction Road Manheim, PA	Monday-Friday 8 am – 10 am For same day testing
Lancaster County	Lloyd H. Fuhrman Memorial Park 110 Rock Point Road Marietta, PA	Monday-Friday 8 am – 10 am For same day testing
Lancaster County	Columbia Crossing River Trail Center 41 Walnut Street, Columbia, PA	7 days a week 8 am – 10 am For same day testing
Berks County	PA State Police Barracks (Near Cabela's) 90 Industrial Drive, Hamburg, PA (Exit 29 from I-78 and take 61 N)	7 days a week 8 am – 10 am For same day testing
Berks County	Sara Kerr Zook Building Parking Lot 27 Rehrersburg Road Bethel, PA	Monday-Friday 8 am – 10 am For same day testing

*If you cannot make it to a site by the cutoff time, you can contact any of the 3 PADLS labs to make a bio-secure drop-off. Failing that, refrigerate your samples for the next drop-off period.

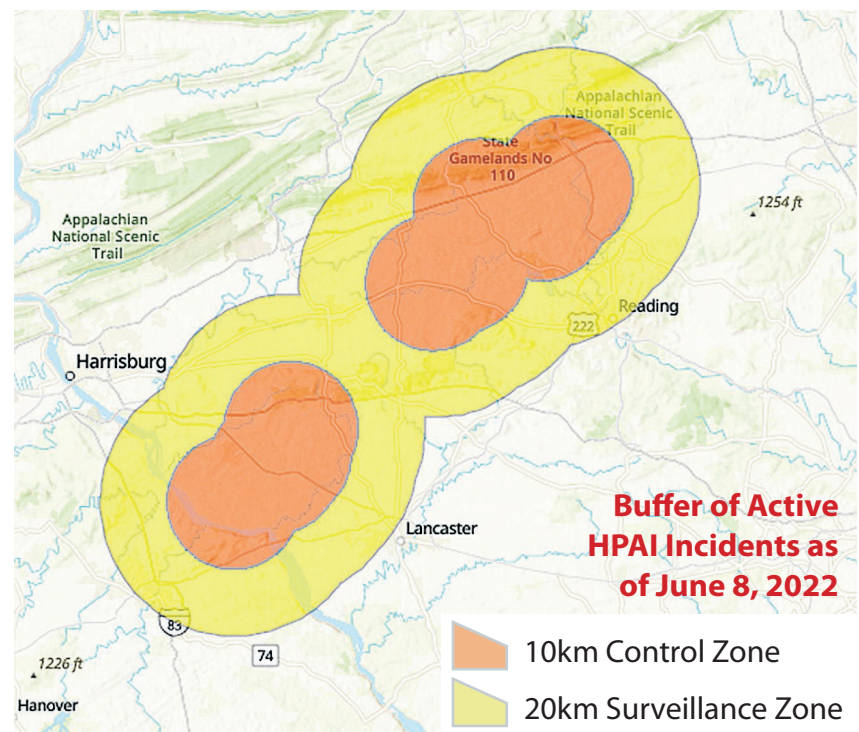
Call the Sick Bird Hotline at 717-772-2852 and press option 1 prior to submitting samples or whole birds to the PADLS Laboratory System. The on-call Foreign Animal Disease Diagnostician will provide quick guidance on whether a sample needs to be submitted. It is not appropriate to bring whole animals into the laboratory without calling first.

To report sick WILD birds, call the PA Game Commission at 717-787-4250.

What does it mean when a Control Area is released?

A Control Area is established when HPAI is detected in poultry and is released when certain conditions are met.

Information on the areas that have been released and those that remain active can be found on the APHIS HPAI 2022 Confirmed Detections map. You can check the Control Zone Address Checker on the map to determine if a particular address is still subject to restrictions.



This map is updated regularly. Scan this QR code or go to bit.ly/HPAI-map for the most recent information.

DO YOU NEED TO MOVE YOUR POULTRY OR POULTRY PRODUCTS?

You may need a movement permit from the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture. If you do not have access to the online permitting Gateway, call:

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza PERMITTING HOTLINE

717-772-2852 (Dial option 1 followed by option 4)

The quickest way to get a permit is still the online Gateway. Instructions on how to access it padls.agriculture.pa.gov.



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

Stay informed



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. Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture (PDA) emergency number 717-772-2852 (press option 1 to reach the veterinarian on call).