

DO YOU KEEP POULTRY OR CAPTIVE BIRDS?

YES———

By law you must comply with the minimum biosecurity measures set out by government in the Avian Influenza Prevention Zone (AIPZ)

Remember to check if you are in a disease control zone by using Defra's interactive map as there may be additional restrictions you must adhere to such as housing your birds

Protecting your bird's welfare:

- Ducks and geese should not be kept together with other poultry species
- Fence off access to ponds, standing water and water logged areas
- Control parasites such as red mite, ask your local vet for advice
- All outdoor areas your birds have access to must be fenced

To reduce the risk of infection from the environment all bird keepers must follow these steps:

- Store feed, water and bedding supplies
- Provide food and water under cover and prevent wild bird access
- Ensure there is effective vermin control
- All walkways and paths which your birds or wild birds have access to must be regularly cleaned and disinfected
- Regularly inspect the outdoor area to ensure it is not contaminated with feathers, carcasses and faecal matter from wild bird
- Proactive measures should be in place to discourage wild birds from the outdoor area
- Minimise movements in and out of any areas your birds have access to
- Clean footwear before and after entering the enclosure

DO YOU KEEP 50 BIRDS OR MORE?

YES

NO

It is mandatory that you need to register your flock of birds:

This can be done by visiting www.gov.uk and searching 'poultry registration rules and forms'. This will sign you up to alerts on the latest information and situation.

DO YOU KEEP 500 BIRDS OR MORE?

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Flocks with over 500 birds will need to take additional biosecurity measures. These include:

- Operate effective barrier hygiene including clothing and footwear changing before entering housing
- Restrict the number of persons and vehicles visiting the site
- Regularly inspect structural integrity of housing for holes and leaks.

Further guidance and a full list of extra biosecurity measures for bird keepers with more than 500 birds can be found by searching 'Avian Influenza' on www.gov.uk You can voluntarily register your flock and receive updates from the APHA – the NFU recommends all bird keepers to do this:

- Voluntarily sign up to the APHA poultry register to get the latest information by searching 'poultry registration rules and forms' on www.gov.uk
- If you are not signed up to the register you can still sign up to text and email alerts on the current situation by searching 'APHA animal disease alert subscription service' on www.gov.uk

More information on Avian Influenza can be found at **NFUONLINE.COM/AIHUB**



