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DOMESTIC WATERFOWL AUCTIONS, SHOWS AND SWAP MEETS SUSPENDED THROUGH MAY DUE TO AVIAN INFLUENZA

What is Avian Influenza?

Avian Influenza (AI) is caused by an influenza type A virus which can infect poultry. Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) is a serious disease and requires rapid response because it is highly contagious and often fatal to poultry. The goal is to quickly contain and eradicate the disease, protecting our poultry industry, and in turn, the American consumer.

Why Waterfowl?

The suspension affects domestic waterfowl, specifically, because they are more likely to commingle with wild, migrating waterfowl that carry HPAI. Also, it is proven waterfowl are less likely to show signs of HPAI, which can lead to unintentional spreading of the virus.

Suspension Applies To:

- Live Waterfowl Auctions, Shows and Swap Meets
- Waterfowl Egg Sales at Auctions and Swap Meets
- **All poultry auctions, shows and swap meets** in counties containing HPAI control areas or surveillance zones

*The suspension does not apply to days-old duckling sales at feed stores.

*The suspension will be reevaluated at the end of May.

*Visit the site below for more information and HPAI updates in Missouri.



**Report Sick Birds To
The
Animal Health Division
(573) 751 - 3377**

Agriculture.Mo.Gov/Avian-Influenza.php