

**OFFICIAL OWNER ENDORSED POULTRY CERTIFICATE FOR ALL  
EXHIBITION POULTRY, WATERFOWL, UPLAND GAME BIRDS, RATITES, AND PIGEONS**

A completed owner-endorsed health certificate must accompany all poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, ratites, and pigeons to an exhibition. The certificate must be presented to exhibition management prior to cooping of the birds. This certificate *must* be endorsed with the bird owner's signature.

The following information is required:

**1. Exhibition Information:**

- a. Name of exhibition: **Westmoreland Ag Fair**  
b. Address of exhibition: **123 Blue Ribbon Lane  
Greensburg, PA 15601**

**2. Owner Information:**

- a. Owner name: \_\_\_\_\_  
b. Owner address: \_\_\_\_\_  
c. Owner telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Owner email address: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Verification of Testing for PENNSYLVANIA BIRDS:**

- a. Avian Influenza: The most recent AI test report or certificate of program status must accompany poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and ratites to the exhibition.
- i. All poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and ratites, (pigeons excluded) for exhibition must originate from a flock in good standing in the Pennsylvania Avian Influenza Monitored Flock Program, the NPIP U.S. AI Clean Program; **OR**
  - ii. Thirty (30) birds, three (3) weeks of age or older, were tested negative for avian influenza (serology, virus isolation, or real-time reverse-transcriptase polymerase chain reaction (RRT-PCR)) within the 6 months (180 days) prior to opening date of the exhibition and the birds are accompanied by the test report. If there are fewer than 30 birds in the flock, test all birds (RRT-PCR, virus isolation, or serology). *For waterfowl, cloacal swab samples must be collected for testing, and the swabs must be tested using virus isolation techniques. Serology and PCR may not be used for waterfowl testing.*
- b. Pullorum: The most recent pullorum test report or certificate of program status must accompany poultry, upland game birds, and ratites to the exhibition.
- i. All poultry, upland game birds, and ratites (pigeons and waterfowl excluded) must come from NPIP U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flocks or PA Pullorum Equivalent Program flocks; **OR**
  - ii. Individual birds for exhibition must have had a negative pullorum-typhoid test within the 90 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition. The following age restrictions apply to comply with NPIP standards:
    - ♦ Chickens shall be tested at 4 months of age or older.
    - ♦ Turkeys shall be tested at 12 weeks of age or older.
    - ♦ Game birds shall be tested at 4 months of age or older, or upon sexual maturity, whichever comes first.
    - ♦ Ratites shall be tested at 12 months of age or older.
    - ♦ All birds not meeting these age restrictions must come from a flock in which all of the birds in the flock have been test negative within the 90 days prior to the exhibition.

**No untested birds may be added to the tested flock after samples are collected for AI and pullorum testing.**

**4. Verification of Testing for OUT OF STATE BIRDS:**

- a. Avian Influenza: The most recent AI test report or certificate of program status must accompany poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and ratites to the exhibition. Poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and ratites (pigeons excluded) shall only be allowed into the Commonwealth and the exhibition after meeting one of the following requirements:
- i. The birds originate from a flock that participates in the current version of the National Poultry Improvement Plan and Auxiliary Provisions "U.S. Avian Influenza Clean" program and the shipment is accompanied by a USDA form 9-3 or other NPIP form; **OR**
  - ii. The birds originate from a flock that participates in a state, foreign nation, or foreign provincial-sponsored avian influenza monitoring program and the shipment is accompanied by a document from the state, nation, or province of origin indicating participation; **OR**
  - iii. The birds originate from a flock in which a minimum of thirty (30) birds, three (3) weeks of age or older, were tested negative for avian influenza (serology, virus isolation, or real-time reverse-transcriptase polymerase chain reaction (RRT-PCR)) within the 30 days prior to opening date of the exhibition and the birds are accompanied by the test report. If there are fewer than 30 birds in the flock, test all birds (RRT-PCR, virus isolation, or serology). *For waterfowl, cloacal swab samples must be collected for testing, and the swabs must be tested using virus isolation techniques. Serology and PCR may not be used for waterfowl testing; OR*
  - iv. The birds originate from a flock that participates in an equivalent testing/surveillance program, as approved by the Pennsylvania State Veterinarian.
- b. Pullorum: The most recent pullorum test report or certificate of program status must accompany poultry, upland game birds, and ratites to the exhibition.
- i. All poultry, upland game birds, and ratites (*pigeons and waterfowl excluded*) must come from NPIP U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flocks; **OR**
  - ii. Individual birds (*pigeons and waterfowl excluded*) for exhibition must have had a negative pullorum-typhoid test within the 90 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition. The following age restrictions apply to comply with NPIP standards:
    - ♦ Chickens shall be tested at 4 months of age or older.
    - ♦ Turkeys shall be tested at 12 weeks of age or older.
    - ♦ Game birds shall be tested at 4 months of age or older, or upon sexual maturity, whichever comes first.
    - ♦ Ratites shall be tested at 12 months of age or older.
    - ♦ All birds not meeting these age restrictions must come from a flock in which all of the birds in the flock have been test negative within the 90 days prior to the exhibition.

**No untested birds may be added to the tested flock after samples are collected for AI and pullorum testing.**

- 5. Bird identification:** All poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and pigeons entering an exhibition must bear an individual identification leg band. Ratites must be identified with a neck band or an electronic implant device (the exhibitor must supply a reader).

**6. Verification of flock health status:**

All poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, ratites, and pigeons for exhibit or display are part of a flock which is free from evidence of contagious diseases.

**7. Verification of pigeons:**

Description of pigeons (number, age, color, gender):

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**8. Owner Endorsement:**

I certify that the above information represents a true and accurate statement regarding my bird(s) and their home flock(s).

Owner Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**To report illness or mortality in your flock, call the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture at 717-772-2852.**

Additional health certificates are available from the nearest Department of Agriculture regional office or on the internet at <http://www.agriculture.state.pa.us>.