



IMPORTS AND EU POLICY TEAM

OVS Note 2015/08

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HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA IN CANADA

Purpose

1. To advise you of the latest situation in respect of outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in Canada.

Background

2. OVS note 2014/36 advised of an outbreak of HPAI in Canada. The Canadian competent authorities put in place measures to control the spread of disease and suspend exports to the EU of certain commodities from the affected area.
3. A proposal to amend the Annex I of Regulation (EC) No 798/2008 (live poultry, meat and eggs) and Annex II to Commission Decision 2007/777/EC (meat products) was agreed in Brussels in December and Member States were asked to adopt its provisions prior to formal publication.
4. [Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) No 2015/198](#) and [Commission Implementing Decision \(EU\) No 2015/204](#) amending the above legislation have now been published.
5. The Annex below provides a summary of current restrictions.

Action for OVSS

6. To note the content of this OVS note.

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Annex

Specified pathogen free eggs, eggs (class B), egg products	Permitted from whole country
Breeding/productive/slaughter poultry and ratites Day old chicks of poultry and ratites Hatching eggs of poultry and ratites	Permitted from CA-1 (zone in Canada not affected by HPAI) Not permitted from CA-2
Poultry meat, ratite meat, wild game meat	Permitted from CA 1 Permitted from CA 2 (affected zone) if produced before the closing date of 4 December 2014 and imported within 90 days –see the footnote in column 6A)