



IMPORTS AND EU POLICY TEAM

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HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA IN THE USA

Purpose

1. To advise you of a new outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in the United States of America.

Background

2. On 15 January, the US competent authorities confirmed an outbreak of HPAI in one holding in the State of Indiana. The veterinary authorities immediately suspended issuing certificates for consignments of affected commodities for export to the EU. A stamping out policy has been implemented to control and limit its spread.
3. Annex I of [Regulation \(EC\) No 798/2008](#) has therefore been amended by [Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) No 2016/148](#).
4. This means that import of the following commodities from Indiana are not allowed:
 - Live poultry and ratites including day old chicks and hatching eggs and units of less than 20 poultry;
 - Poultry meat, ratite meat, wild game bird meat
 - Meat products derived from birds unless they have had a D treatment (70°C throughout the meat) ([Commission Decision 2007/777/EC](#) was amended last year to align with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 798/2008).



Action for OVSS

5. To note the above information.

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