

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR FARMERS & INDUSTRY IN PRIMARY CONTROL ZONES

June 21, 2022

More than one month has passed since the last confirmed case of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) in Ontario.

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) has informed the Feather Board Command Centre (FBCC) that significant recovery milestones are being achieved by infected premises in all Primary Control Zones (PCZ).

Many of the PCZs are now entering the **Post Outbreak Surveillance (POS)** stage. To meet the POS requirements, all commercial producers (more than 300 birds) in the PCZs **must submit weekly Flock Health Questionnaires (FHQ)** for the Zone to become revoked.

Post-outbreak surveillance in the PCZ is required for a minimum of 28 days after primary decontamination is complete. This means the CFIA needs to receive FHQs weekly for at least four weeks after the PCZ has entered post-outbreak surveillance. FHQs must be completed each day and submitted every week, and on-time.

This process has started for some zones as early as May 31st. **We request that all producers send in weekly flock health questionnaires from June 1st on to minimize risk of delaying release of the PCZ you are in.**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FARMERS IN A PCZ:

- Complete your Flock Health Questionnaires (FHQ) accurately
- Submit your FHQs each week
- A copy of the FHQ can be downloaded by [CLICKING HERE](#)
 - [CLICK HERE](#) to access an instruction sheet
 - [CLICK HERE](#) to access a sample completed flock health questionnaire
- Once filled out, please submit to CFIA via email at: CFIA.OntFlockhealthsheets-Dossiersantedelevages.ACIA@inspection.gc.ca
 - You may also fax your FHQs to CFIA at 226-217-8494
 - You may also reach out to your industry representative or a CFIA agent at 519-953-6658 for further assistance

A reminder that until the PCZ has been revoked, you are also required to continue to meet all aspects of the current movement control rules. Specific permits may not be issued unless all current requirements are met including pre-movement testing and submission of FHQs.

Completing the FHQs is essential to the eventual release of the PCZ, benefiting yourself - and your neighbours. Once the primary control zone is revoked, FHQs and permits in many cases, will no longer be required.



For assistance with permits and movement control permissions in the PCZ call 519-953-6658, 8 am to 6 pm (EST), or email cfia.ontmovementlicandpermits-deplacementlicenceetpermis.acia@inspection.gc.ca.

Additional information about the AI situation, PCZs, permit application and other things may be found at www.inspection.gc.ca.

