Animal Diseases (Exotic Disease Quarantine Area) Declaration 2024 (No 4)

Disallowable instrument DI2024-294

made under the

Animal Diseases Act 2005, s 19 (Exotic disease quarantine area)

1 Name of instrument

This instrument is the *Animal Diseases (Exotic Disease Quarantine Area) Declaration 2024 (No 4).*

2 Commencement

This instrument commences on the day after its notification day.

3 Declaration

I declare those parts of the District of Belconnen Blocks 853, 856, 857, 858, 1329, 859, 860, 993, 1329, 1333, 1540, 1586 and 1621, and those parts of the District of Belconnen Blocks 1440, 1443, 1442, 1620 and 1622 in the Australian Capital Territory indicated in the map at schedule 1 to be an exotic disease quarantine area. (the *restricted quarantine area*).

4 Animals to which the declaration applies

This declaration applies to any animal of the avian species (*bird*).

5 Disease to which declaration relates

This declaration is made in relation to avian influenza (highly pathogenic) disease.

Restrictions on entry to, leaving and movement within the restricted quarantine area

- 1. The movement of declared animals within, into, or out of the restricted quarantine area is prohibited.
- 2. The movement of declared animal products within, into or out of the restricted quarantine area is prohibited.
- 3. The movement of equipment used in the care of birds within, into or out of the restricted quarantine area is prohibited.

- 4. The movement of feed, that has been in contact with declared animals, out of the restricted quarantine area is prohibited.
- 5. The movement of new feed from feed mills into the restricted quarantine area is permitted on the following conditions:
 - a. The feed mill must not be co-located with another poultry facility,
 - b. the transport truck has no previous direct contact with poultry,
 - c. the truck does not enter the production area, and
 - d. the truck is decontaminated upon leaving the farm.

7 Restrictions on sale

No restrictions apply to the sale in the ACT of a declared animal, declared animal product, or equipment used in the care of birds that is not subject to a movement restriction.

8 Authorisations

The Chief Veterinary Officer may authorise movement of a declared animal, declared animal product or equipment used in the care of birds which would otherwise be unauthorised if the Chief Veterinary Officer is satisfied that the authorisation is necessary for animal welfare or other reasons.

9 Definitions

In this instrument:

bird carcass includes the whole body of a bird either destroyed or that died in the field.

declared animal includes:

- (a) a bird;
- (b) an egg, embryo, ovum or sperm, or other product, of a bird from which another bird could be produced; and
- (c) a bird carcass other than a bird carcass purchased or obtained from a wholesaler or retail outlet.

declared animal product includes:

- (a) feathers or skin of a bird:
- (b) any meat, fat, or other food derived from a bird;
- (c) any part of the viscera of a bird; and
- (d) any manure, urine, blood, or bone, or secretion, or any other substance derived from a bird;

but does not include:

- (a) eggs purchased or obtained from a wholesaler or retail outlet where the eggs have been disinfected at a grading facility;
- (b) animal product purchased from a wholesaler and transported to a retailer for sale; or
- (c) animal product purchased from a retailer (e.g. supermarket, grocer) and transported to a residence or business premises.

equipment used in the care of birds includes:

- (a) live bird transport vehicles,
- (b) machinery and vehicles used directly in husbandry of live birds,
- (c) used coops, cages, crates,
- (d) water and feed bowls,
- (e) litter, and
- (f) egg trays and fillers used for eggs

but does not include new coops, cages, crates, water and feed bowls, litter, or egg trays and fillers purchased from a retailer.

9 Revocation

This instrument revokes the *Animal Diseases (Exotic Disease Quarantine Area) Declaration 2024 (No 1)* (DI2024-206).

10 Expiry

This instrument expires on 27 December 2024.

Dr Kyeelee Driver Delegate of the Minister for the Environment, Parks and Land Management 19 September 2024

Schedule 1 – Map of Restricted quarantine area

