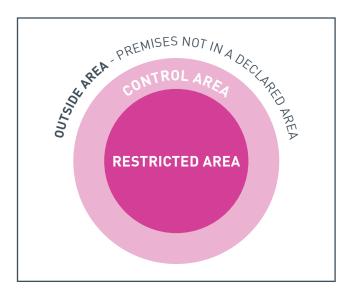


# CONTROL MEASURES AVIAN INFLUENZA

Your state or territory government is responsible for managing emergency animal disease outbreaks in their jurisdictions. You can help them to control an avian influenza (AI) outbreak by complying with their instructions (you may face legal penalties if you don't).

#### **Declared areas**

The state/territory government will establish declared areas as part of their response to prevent the spread of Al. Depending on their proximity to the disease, premises will be located in a Restricted Area, Control Area or Outside Area. The category your property falls into will determine which disease control measures may apply.





**RESTRICTED AREA** - includes premises that are infected or believed to be infected or contaminated with AI, as well as premises close to infected properties.



CONTROL AREA - forms a buffer between a Restricted Area and areas considered to be free from Al. It includes premises in the area neighbouring a Restricted Area.

### Types of control measures



**MOVEMENT CONTROLS**: restrictions on movements - onto and off premises - of poultry, eggs, vehicles, equipment, poultry products and byproducts, wastes and other items that might be contaminated



#### **BIOSECURITY REQUIREMENTS FOR**

**PEOPLE**: such as requiring decontamination or changes of clothing and footwear when people move on or off premises



**TRACING:** reviewing movements of birds, people and things on and off infected premises to help identify where infection may have come from – and where it may now be



**SURVEILLANCE**: checking for signs of disease or contamination, investigating anything suspicious and taking samples for laboratory testing if needed



**DESTRUCTION**: culling of poultry that are infected or are a high disease risk; high risk things that can't be decontaminated might also be destroyed



**VALUATION AND COMPENSATION**: for birds that have died from Al and for birds or property destroyed as part of the official disease response – this is governed by state or territory legislation



**DISPOSAL**: biosecure disposal of carcasses and poultry products, by-products, wastes or things that are, or might be, contaminated



**DECONTAMINATION:** chemical or other treatment of premises, vehicles, equipment, clothing, footwear and other things that might be contaminated to inactivate any Al virus that may be present.

## Control measures that may apply to you

Different meaures may be applied depending on what type of premises you are and what declared area you're in. Premises can include farms, saleyards, processing facilities etc.

TYPE OF PREMISES	LOCATED IN	POTENTIAL DISEASE CONTROLS
Premises known or believed to be infected (infected premises)	Restricted Area	<ul> <li>Movement controls</li> <li>Biosecurity controls for people</li> <li>Tracing</li> <li>Surveillance</li> <li>Destruction of all poultry (with valuation and compensation)</li> <li>Disposal</li> <li>Decontamination</li> </ul>
Premises that require investigation (a suspect or trace premises)	Restricted Area	<ul><li>Movement controls</li><li>Biosecurity requirements for people</li><li>Surveillance</li></ul>
Premises highly likely to be infected or to contain contaminated items (dangerous contact premises/ processing facility)	Restricted Area	<ul> <li>Movement controls</li> <li>Biosecurity controls for people</li> <li>Surveillance</li> <li>Destruction of poultry at high risk of infection (with valuation and compensation)</li> <li>Disposal</li> <li>Decontamination</li> </ul>
Other premises with poultry in a legally declared area ("At risk premises" in a Restricted Area; "premises of relevance" in a Control Area)	N/A	<ul> <li>Movement controls may apply particularly to premises in a Restricted Area</li> <li>Surveillance</li> </ul>
Other premises with poultry that are not in a legally declared area	Outside Area	<ul> <li>Movement controls may still apply to some items (particularly for movements to or from premises in declared areas)</li> <li>Surveillance</li> </ul>
Processing facilities, saleyards, etc. that are not captured above	Outside Area	<ul> <li>May be affected by movement controls on some items (particularly for movements to or from premises in declared areas)</li> <li>Surveillance</li> </ul>

# **MORE INFORMATION**



- AUSVETPLAN Disease strategy manual: avian influenza www.animalhealthaustralia.com.au/our-publications/ausvetplan-manuals-and-documents
- · Implement on-farm biosecurity practices on your property using the manuals available at www.farmbiosecurity.com.au/toolkit/plans-manuals
- In a response, information about control measures will be available at www.outbreak.gov.au