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Report Highlights:

The Third Edition of the Philippine Department of Agriculture's Avian Influenza Protection Program (AIPP) Manual of Procedure was finalized in 2020. This manual provides guidance in preventing the entry of Avian Influenza (AI) in the Philippines, as well as disease response measures in the event of an incursion. This document also includes changes in definition of terms and the section on the recognition of AI-Free compartments or regions, as well the revisions in the coverage of quarantine and surveillance zones in case of a local detection of AI.

General Information:

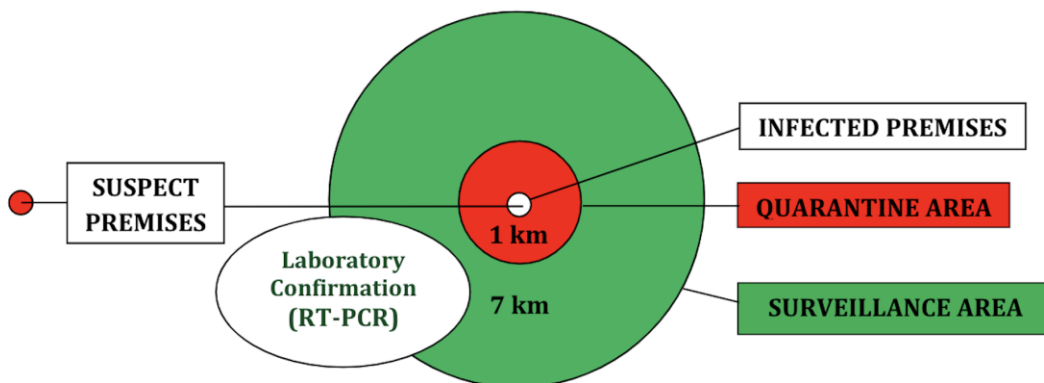
The 3rd Edition of the Philippine Department of Agriculture's Avian Influenza Protection Program Manual of Procedure (AIPP-MOP) was finalized in 2020. See [here](#) for the complete AIPP-MOP text. This Manual, which references the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code, provides guidance in preventing the entry of Avian Influenza (AI) in the Philippines, as well as states the disease response measures to be implemented in the event of an incursion. It also includes changes in the definition of terms, updates in the section on the recognition of AI-Free compartments or regions, as well revisions in the coverage of quarantine and surveillance zones in case of a local detection of AI.

Stage 1 focuses on preventing the entry of AI in the country. This section covers the regulatory protocols to prevent disease incursions from other countries (page 10). The prevention plans include bans on the importation of live poultry and their products from AI affected countries or zones. It allows the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) to immediately suspend processing and issuance of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Import Clearances (SPSICs) from a country or zone declared as AI affected. However, if the live poultry or poultry products comes from a country with AI-affected zone/s, a risk analysis will first be carried out by the BAI.

The AIPP-MOP recognizes the establishment of AI-Free Compartments or Zones (page 9). This section includes the criteria used for the establishment and recognition of the AI-free areas by the DA. A composite team from the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) and National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS) shall be created to conduct an audit of the applying compartments.

Stage 2 defines the procedures for the management of AI suspect and confirmed cases in the Philippines. This includes the declaration of quarantine areas (page 39) of 1 kilometer from the infected area and an addition 7 kilometers of surveillance areas after laboratory confirmation using RT-PCR. This also includes stamping out process and other intensified surveillance activities.

Illustration of Premises and Areas



Attachments:

No Attachments.