



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

DISEASES OF ANIMALS (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1981

DISEASES OF ANIMALS (IMPORTATION OF POULTRY) ORDER (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1965 (AS AMENDED)

GENERAL IMPORT LICENCE

Licence No: DARD/GEN/08/07

The Department of Agriculture and Rural Development in accordance with the terms of the above legislation, hereby authorizes the importation into Northern Ireland of:-

POULTRY AND HATCHING EGGS FROM GREAT BRITAIN

Subject to the following conditions:

1. All landings must be in accordance with the provisions of the Diseases of Animals (Importation of Poultry) Order (Northern Ireland) 1965 (as amended) and with the following provisions of this licence.
2. Each consignment of poultry and hatching eggs must be accompanied by a commercial document containing:
 - Full details of the consignment;
 - Description and quantities;
 - Name and addresses of importer and exporter;
 - Haulier vehicle registration number
 - Premises of destination (if different to above)
 - The date of issue;
 - Reference number (e.g. batch numbers, order numbers, lot numbers etc.); to enable the document to be batched to the consignment;
 - Approval/registration number of the premises, which produced the birds or eggs, to be marked by an official stamp.
3. **The commercial document must be presented to a DARD Portal Inspector at the Port/Airport of entry.**
4. A copy of the General Licence **must** accompany the consignment at the time of import and be presented to a DARD Portal Inspector upon landing in Northern Ireland.
5. The premises of origin must be free from Newcastle disease and Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza and must not be situated in an area subject to restrictions due to these diseases.

6. Following landing in Northern Ireland, the person responsible for the consignment at the time of importation must report to a DARD Portal Inspector at the Port/Airport of entry and follow the directions of any DARD authorised officer.
7. The consignment must be delivered without delay directly to the premises of destination as detailed on the commercial documentation.
8. In the case of birds imported from a Third Country, a quarantine period of at least 42 days, or at least 21 days after hatching in the case of hatching eggs, must have been completed in the holding to which they were first taken after entering the Community.
9. The birds must not, at the time of dispatch, show any obvious signs of disease.
10. Following importation, any signs or suspicion of disease in the imported birds must immediately be reported to the Divisional Veterinary Office responsible for the area to which they are consigned.

This licence is valid until further notice or unless revoked by the Department.

Signed: Michelle H. McIlvenna
Officer of the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development



NOTES

1. Poultry is defined in Council Directive 90/539/EEC as fowl, turkeys, guinea fowl, ducks, geese, quails, pigeons, pheasants, partridges and ratites reared or kept in captivity for breeding, the production of meat or eggs for consumption or re-stocking supplies of game.
2. Hatching eggs are defined as eggs for incubation laid by poultry as defined in Note 1 above.
3. In the event of any condition of this licence not being complied with, or in the case of suspicion of disease, the Department has powers under The Diseases of Animals (Importation of Poultry) Order (Northern Ireland) 1965 (as amended) to require the owner to quarantine, re-export or destroy the consignment at the owner's expense.