

Feed Delivery Biosecurity for Control of Disease

The recent introduction of H5N2, a highly pathogenic strain of Avian Influenza into the United States presents a new challenge for the poultry industry. HPAI virus transfers via feces and survives in manure for extended periods of time. Contamination of trucks, equipment, and clothing or footwear with feces can spread the virus. Infection with HPAI is lethal to turkeys and chickens and can create tremendous financial losses to the farmer. It is important everyone do their part to prevent the spread of this disease.

1. Transport drivers arrive at work wearing clean clothes and footwear which hasn't been worn around livestock.



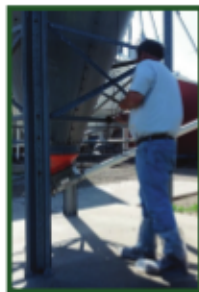
2. Carry cover-ups (clean, disinfected rubber boots or disposable boots) in a clean container in the truck cab. As exiting the truck, put on the cover-ups.



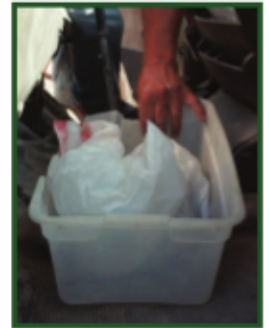
3. Stay as close to the truck as possible to minimize the areas you access.



4. To keep you on your side of the Line of Separation between you or your equipment and the production facilities. Whenever possible, communicate with the farm staff and ask them to open and close the bin lids.



5. Remove cover-ups when climbing back into the truck and contain and dispose of garbage in a separate bag or



6. Apply hand sanitizer to maintain a clean cab before touching surfaces.



7. Do not cross the Line of Separation that is between the production facilities and you or your equipment. This includes not entering the barn office or facilities. Invoices should be left in a designated area, such as mailboxes attached to the bin leg or outside of the office.



8. Bagged feed is dropped in a designated area, without crossing the Line of Separation that is between you and the production facilities.



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