

**WAC 16-54-145 Poultry and game birds, including ratites—Importation and testing requirements. Import health requirements.**

(1) All poultry, excluding doves and pigeons, imported into Washington state must be accompanied by a:

(a) Certificate of veterinary inspection; or

(b) USDA NPIP VS form 9-3 (Report of Sales of Hatching Eggs, Chicks, and Poults); or

(c) USDA VS form 17-6 (Certificate for Poultry or Hatching Eggs for Export).

(2) The certificate of veterinary inspection and the USDA VS form 17-6 must include either the NPIP number or negative results of the required tests.

(3) Poultry or hatching eggs must originate from flocks or areas not under state or federal restriction.

(4) Each ratite entering Washington state must be permanently identified with official individual identification. The type of official individual identification must be listed on the certificate of veterinary inspection.

**Import test requirements.**

(5) Poultry, poults, and eggs, excluding doves and pigeons, that originate from flocks or hatcheries that have a pullorum-typhoid clean rating given by the state animal health official or are from an NPIP participant flock must meet the classification requirements stated in subsection (8) of this section.

(6) If poultry do not originate from an NPIP participant flock, they must test negative for the diseases listed in subsection (8) of this section thirty days before entry into the state of Washington.

(7) If hatching eggs are from non-NPIP participant flocks, then the parent breeder flock must be tested for the diseases in subsection (8) of this section within thirty days before the hatching eggs enter the state of Washington.

(8) Poultry, excluding doves and pigeons, must have a negative test for the following diseases:

Disease control classifications	Poultry type			
	Egg-type chickens	Meat-type chickens	Turkeys	Other <sup>1</sup>
<b>Pullorum-typhoid</b>	YES	YES	YES	YES <sup>2</sup>
<b>Avian influenza</b>	YES	YES	YES	YES
<i>Mycoplasma gallisepticum</i>	-	-	YES	-
<i>Mycoplasma synoviae</i>	-	-	YES	-
<i>Salmonella enteritidis</i>	YES (commercial) <sup>3</sup>	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup>Waterfowl, hobby, fancy, exhibition chickens, game birds, ratites, and backyard flocks.

<sup>2</sup>Excluding waterfowl.

<sup>3</sup>Commercial means producers with three thousand or more birds regardless of shipment size.

**Exemptions to import health requirements.**

(9) Doves, pigeons, waterfowl, game birds, and poultry destined for immediate slaughter are exempt from the certificate of veterinary inspection and testing requirements.

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