



NEBRASKA IMPORTATION ORDER

TO ALL AFFECTED PERSONS:

You are hereby notified that the Nebraska Department of Agriculture (Department) is establishing an Importation Order prohibiting all breeding female dairy cattle from entering the state of Nebraska without a Permit issued by the Department due to highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) pursuant to the Animal Health and Disease Control Act (Act), Neb. Rev. Stat. §§54-2901 to 2957.

Section 54-2939 of the Act states that it is the policy of this state that animal health and disease control are essential to the livestock industry and the health of the economy of Nebraska. The purpose of the Act is to further the best interests of Nebraska's livestock industry and to grow Nebraska agriculture. Section 54-2940 provides that in carrying out its duties to prevent, suppress, control, and eradicate dangerous diseases the Department has the authority to regulate or prohibit animal or regulated article movement into, within, or through the state through importation orders deemed necessary by the State Veterinarian.

To obtain a Permit under this Importation Order, contact the Department. Permits will not be required under this Importation Order for dairy cattle going directly to slaughter.

This Order is effective immediately, through 11:59 pm on April 30, 2024.

Dated at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 1st day of April, 2024.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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Animal and Plant Health Protection