

# IOWA POULTRY ASSOCIATION

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## Potential NPIP Participants:

Thank you for your interest in the National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP) program. To better serve customers, and to ensure poultry health, the poultry industry created the NPIP. This is a national program supervised by state coordinators. Membership is voluntary, but members must agree to meet standards set by the NPIP.

Some of the advantages to joining the NPIP:

1. No extra testing required. Only the testing required by Iowa rules.
2. Healthier Poultry – NPIP has eliminated several poultry diseases.
3. Exporting to other states is easier.

Eligible commercial production flocks and testing requirements are as follows:

- **Table-egg layers of 10,000 birds or more** must test 11 birds per flock (barn) for Avian Influenza at the following intervals:
  - 11 samples (AI) per flock within 30 days prior to pullet movement;
    - If you are not growing your own pullets, this test would be performed by the pullet grower. Be sure you are aware of the date of this preceding test.
    - Please note that to maintain NPIP compliance, you must purchase chicks and/or pullets from a NPIP participant that is currently H5/H7 AI Monitored
  - 11 samples per flock within a 12-month period.
  - 11 samples per flock within 30 days prior to disposal.
- **Meat-type broiler chicken flocks of 10,000 or more** must test 11 birds per flock (barn) for Avian Influenza within 21 days of being processed.
- **Meat-type turkey flocks of 1,000 or more** must test 6 birds per flock (barn) for Avian Influenza within 21 days of being processed.

AI testing should be performed with the assistance of your local veterinarian. Please call Dr. Yuko Sato, Poultry Extension Veterinarian at the Iowa State University's Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory, for more information at (515) 294-0710 or via email at [ysato@iastate.edu](mailto:ysato@iastate.edu) .

Please read through the following application carefully, completing all information (one application per premise), include your flock's size and premise identification number. All incomplete applications will be returned. On the application, each Subpart (flock type) has a link to the appropriate [Code of Federal Regulations](#), which you must follow. All participants must also follow applicable [NPIP Program Standards](#). Please read before applying, especially Standard E, Biosecurity Principles. **All participating flocks must meet these minimum requirements and those of an eligible size will have their Biosecurity Plan audited once every other year.** You may find further links and resources here: [www.poultryimprovement.org](http://www.poultryimprovement.org)

Please return your application, along with your most current Avian Influenza testing results, to our office. Once your application is received and processed, an NPIP approval number will be assigned. A participation ID and a signed copy of your Memorandum of Agreement will be sent to you. VS Form 9-3 (Report of Sales) online access will be sent shortly thereafter, if applicable (table-egg pullet flocks only). Please call with questions.

Sincerely,

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