

Requirements for compartments

The purpose is to separate animal populations through biosecurity management, which must be specific to the disease or pest to be addressed.

Currently in Mexico, poultry production units located in low prevalence zones are considered as compartments free of notifiable avian influenza. The procedure can be requested by those production units that comply with the following requirements:

1. To have a registration folio as a poultry production unit before the Secretariat of Agriculture.
2. Request the Recognition as a Compartment free of notifiable avian influenza by means of Annex 3, contained in the *"Agreement on The Campaign and Animal Health Measures to Be Applied for The Diagnosis, Prevention, Control and Eradication of Notifiable Avian Influenza, in the Areas Where This Disease Is Present in the Territory of The United Mexican States"*, which must be endorsed by an authorized veterinarian in the Area.
3. Present the Certificate of compliance with minimum biosecurity measures against notifiable avian influenza, which is issued by the Director of the United States-Mexico Commission for the Prevention of Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Other Exotic Animal Diseases.
4. Present the Certificate of satisfactory compliance with the evaluation of Good Animal Husbandry Practices, issued by a Certification Body authorized by Senasica.

5. Present negative results for notifiable avian influenza, which must be issued by an official laboratory. In this regard, Senasica has designated the National Center for Diagnostic Services in Animal Health (CENASA) as the official laboratory in charge of the diagnosis of notifiable avian influenza, for the recognition and maintenance of free compartments. Sampling must be carried out in accordance with Article 24 of the aforementioned Agreement, which states that 30 samples of live birds or organs, or cloacal or tracheal swabs and 30 blood sera must be sent for a total of 60 samples per production unit.

These requirements may be evaluated by Senasica to assess compliance.

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