



20 January 2023

Meat and Egg Traders

Dear Sir/Madam

H5N1 HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA (HPAI) IN SLAGELSE MUNICIPALITY, DENMARK

Denmark reported outbreak of H5N1 in a poultry holding with turkeys in Bøgelunde, Slagelse municipality, Denmark.

2 In view of the outbreak, the National Parks Board/Animal & Veterinary Service (NParks/AVS) has imposed a temporary restriction on the importation of poultry and poultry products from Slagelse municipality, Denmark, including the 10km surveillance zones established for the affected holdings should it extend beyond the municipality, with effect from 17 January 2023. Heat-treated poultry products which comply with the WOAHP guidelines for inactivation of Avian Influenza virus will not be subjected to the restriction.

3 Poultry consignments exported from Slagelse municipality, Denmark before 17 January 2023 and slaughtered before 3 January 2023 will continue to be accepted for import.

4 To facilitate the clearance of permits for other poultry and poultry products, the following additional attestations are required to be included in the veterinary health certificate accompanying the import of poultry and poultry products:

- (a) Highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) is a notifiable disease in Denmark.
- (b) The birds from which the meat was sourced were not vaccinated against avian influenza (AI).
- (c) The poultry meat and meat products were not derived from birds originating from the municipality of Slagelse, Lolland and Hedensted, including the 10km surveillance zones established for the affected holdings should it extend beyond the municipality.
- (d) The poultry from which the meat was derived were born, raised, and slaughtered in Denmark, or were legally imported as day old chicks from countries with equivalent poultry health status.



5 Please contact www.sfa.gov.sg/feedback should you have any enquiries on the import of poultry and poultry products.

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