

When you suspect an exotic disease...

Suspect an exotic disease

Call a Vet

If vet is not available, contact the Exotic Pest and Disease hotline **0800 80 99 66**

Poultry Producers Responsibility

- Phone your vet, stock manager or 0800 80 99 66 hotline immediately if you suspect an exotic disease.
- Take extra care to clean your boots, overalls and any equipment that may have been used on or near your birds, especially if you leave the farm.

Exotic disease or pest ruled out?

YES NO

An incursion investigator

will phone the farmer or vet to see if an investigation is needed

Poultry Producers Responsibility

- Inform your neighbour only on the advice of the investigating vet.
- Commence lockdown procedures to stop the movement of people, vehicles and equipment to reduce the risk of spreading the disease.

Investigating vet dispatched to the suspected case.

YES

Exotic disease or pest ruled out?

NO

Poultry Producers Responsibility

- Continue lockdown procedures.
- Make sure cleaning and disinfection stations are set up.
- Check your response plan is up to date.
- Have all details ready for the incursion investigator.

Exotic disease or pest ruled out?

YES NO

Incursion investigator dispatched from MPI.

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- Ensure that the incursion investigator can inspect affected animals without delay.
- Ensure adequate lighting is available, especially when the inspection is done at night.

Samples collected to confirm or rule out disease.

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- MPI is likely to issue a Restricted Place (RP) Notice or letter informing you of your responsibilities
- Read the Restricted Place (RP) Notice or letter carefully. It explains the disease risk and what you must do.
- Ask questions about the letter – enquire about your responsibilities and rights.
- Report any further information that may be of use in the investigation to control the disease.
- Abide by your obligations within the letter.
- Keep a diary of events.

YES

Exotic disease or pest ruled out?

NO

Poultry Producers Responsibility

DEPOPULATION

DISPOSAL

DECONTAMINATION

Response to exotic disease.

Biosecurity NZ lift the Restricted Place (RP) Notice

Poultry Producers Responsibility

RECOVERY

Investigation stood down & lockdown lifted.