



## Thinking of breeding, hatching or exhibiting your chickens, turkeys, or game birds?

Make sure you follow appropriate regulations for poultry in Wisconsin to avoid a “foul” experience.

You must show proof of disease-free status to breed, hatch or exhibit your birds in Wisconsin.



### Where can I find more information?

**Enrollment forms** for the NPIP, Wisconsin Tested Flock and Wisconsin Associate Flock programs can be obtained by

- calling 608-224-4877
- or online at [datcp.wi.gov](http://datcp.wi.gov) and search “Poultry”

**Premises registration:** [wiid.org](http://wiid.org)

**For more Wisconsin information:**

Wisconsin Department of Agriculture,  
Trade & Consumer Protection  
[datcp.wi.gov](http://datcp.wi.gov)  
608-224-4874

**Additional resources on poultry diseases:**

- [www.aphis.usda.gov/animal\\_health/animal\\_dis\\_spec/poultry](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_health/animal_dis_spec/poultry)



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## Wisconsin Poultry Regulations



### Testing Poultry for Breeding, Hatching or Exhibiting

Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection

## Testing Requirements

- Birds must originate from a certified flock or be individually tested.
- You must test all sexually-mature birds for Salmonella pullorum-fowl typhoid (turkeys must also test negative for Mycoplasma gallisepticum).
- You may not test sexually immature chickens. Sexually mature chickens are older than 4 months; turkeys are older than 6 months.
- Tests must be performed by a certified pullorum tester authorized by DATCP.



## Show/Fair/Exhibition/Breeding Hatching Requirements

- Any birds that don't originate from a certified flock or are NOT individually tested may not be presented for show, fair or exhibition and may not be used for breeding and hatching.
- Although sexually immature birds cannot be tested, they may be presented for show, fair or exhibition if they come from a certified flock.
- For a member of a Youth Agricultural Organization at a county fair only, written notice by the leader of the organization must certify that no other poultry are on the premises other than those acquired directly from a certified flock.

## Follow **ONE** of these methods for proving that your birds are disease-free.

### Certified Flocks

#### General Requirements

- Enrollment forms for the NPIP, Wisconsin Tested and Wisconsin Associate Flock programs can be obtained by calling 608-224-4877 or online at [datcp.wi.gov](http://datcp.wi.gov) and search "Poultry."
- Prior to enrollment in any certified flock, you must register your premises with the Wisconsin Livestock Identification Consortium (WLIC) free of charge at [wiid.org](http://wiid.org).

#### Enroll in the National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP)

- Test birds initially and annually thereafter as noted under "Testing Requirements."
- Submit VS Form 9-2, NPIP enrollment form, annual fee and other information to Division of Animal Health (DAH).
- DAH may conduct a hatchery inspection.
- Participant will receive a NPIP Certificate with NPIP number. The certification expires June 30 of the following calendar year.

#### OR the NPIP Affiliate Flocks (For Dealers)

- Submit NPIP Enrollment form, annual fee AND proof of purchase that all birds are purchased from an NPIP flock (invoice or VS Form 9-3) to DAH.
- Applicant will receive a NPIP Affiliate Certificate with NPIP number. The certification expires June 30 of the following calendar year.

#### OR the Wisconsin Tested Flock Program

- Test birds as noted under "Testing Requirements" each year.
- Submit Wisconsin Tested Flock Enrollment Application free of charge to DAH within the calendar year of enrollment.
- Applicant will receive a Wisconsin Tested Flock Certificate with Wisconsin Tested Flock number. The certification expires June 30 of the following calendar year.

#### OR the Wisconsin Associate Flock program

- Purchase birds from a NPIP flock, NPIP Affiliate flock, Wisconsin Associate flock or Wisconsin Tested flock.
- Keep only the purchased birds on your premises.
- Submit Wisconsin Associate Flock Enrollment Application free of charge and proof of purchase that all birds are purchased from an NPIP, NPIP Affiliate, Wisconsin Associate or Wisconsin Tested flock to DAH.
- Applicant will receive a Wisconsin Associate Flock Certificate with Wisconsin Associate Flock number. The certification expires June 30 of the following calendar year.

### Individual Testing

- If your flock is not certified, birds must be tested individually as noted under "Testing Requirements."
- No birds from the flock of origin have tested positive for pullorum, fowl typhoid or Mycoplasma gallisepticum.
- Must be identified with either a numbered wing band or leg band.
- Test is valid for 90 days and ownership may not change.

