

Appendix 14 Possible Visitors to Poultry Farms

In an effort to categorise visitors to farms the following groupings have been devised. There may be overlap between some of these groups.

Delivery Services for the following:

- Day old/point of lay/brooded birds
- Animal feed
- Oil/ gas
- Shavings
- Farm equipment

Advisers:

- Feed company advisers
- Company advisers/selectors/management
- Teagasc
- Health and Safety Authority inspectors

Routine Animal Health Activities:

- Vaccinating team
- Beak trimming team
- Artificial inseminating team
- Private veterinary practitioner /lay assistant
- DAF staff (vets, poultry officers, egg marketing)
- Blood samplers (DAF or company)

Farm Maintenance Activities:

- Litter / slurry removal
- Fumigating personnel
- Rentokill
- Equipment Maintenance personnel
- Cleaning and disinfection of poultry houses or poultry transport

Miscellaneous Activities

- Other visitors (e.g. personnel from other companies, other farmers, relations, ESB, postman, Bord Gais etc)

In the case of the other categories of poultry and other birds specific human contacts will need to be assessed if the outbreak occurs involving wild birds or poultry in a geographical region.

Avian Category
Commercial poultry (supplying hatcheries, approved slaughter plants, packing centres)
Small poultry flocks supplying local markets, farm gate, local abattoirs
Back yard poultry (own consumption only)
Open farms (+ visitors)
Fancy fowl (pure bred species)
Game birds
Pigeon lofts
Zoos, game parks (+ visitors)
Quarantine premises (only 1 in Mayo)
Laboratory/research establishments
Pet shops (+ visitors)
Caged and aviary birds
Bird reserves, public parks etc (+ visitors)
Pets in dwelling houses