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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>PHILIPPINES</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Department of Agriculture - Bureau of Animal Industry
<b>3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- 01.05 Live poultry, that is to say, fowls of the species, Gallus domesticus, ducks, geese, turkeys and, guinea fowls</li><li>- 01.06.20 - Birds of prey</li><li>- 01.06.32 --- Psittaciformes</li><li>- 01.06.33 --- Ostriches, emus</li><li>- 02.07 Meat and edible offal, of the poultry of heading 01.05, fresh, chilled or frozen</li><li>- 04.07 Birds' eggs, in shell, fresh, (except for preserved or cooked)</li></ul>
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <b>[X] All trading partners</b> DA-Accredited Countries <b>[ ] Specific regions or countries:</b>
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Department of Agriculture Administrative Circular No. 09, Series of 2025, Guidelines on the Bilateral Recognition on Regionalization of High Pathogenicity Avian Influenza (HPAI) from Accredited Countries for Export of Live Birds (Poultry and Non-Poultry), its Products and By-Products. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 6 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/PHL/26_00364_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/PHL/26_00364_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The DA Administrative Circular No. 9, series of 2025, Guidelines on the Bilateral Recognition on Regionalization of High Pathogenicity Avian Influenza (HPAI) from Accredited Countries for Export of Live Birds (Poultry and Non-Poultry), its Products and By-Products, provides guidance for applicant countries to implement zoning or regionalization.  This circular, like the one for ASF, is a major shift from a country-wide import ban to a science-based regionalization approach.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <b>[X] food safety, [X] animal health, [ ] plant protection, [ ] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] protect territory from other damage from pests.</b>
<b>8. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action:</b> The Circular has completed its publication in the general circulation and now being currently implemented.

9.	<p><b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> Chapter 10.4.; Chapter 10.9.; Chapter 5.10.; Chapter 6.5. ; and Chapter 7.3</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
10.	<p><b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p>
11.	<p><b>Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable):</b> 27 November 2025</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
12.	<p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Office of the Director Policy Research Service Department of Agriculture Elliptical Road, Diliman, Quezon City Tel: +(632) 8 926 7439 Fax: +(632) 8 928 0590 E-mail: <a href="mailto:spspilipinas@da.gov.ph">spspilipinas@da.gov.ph</a> <a href="mailto:spspilipinas@gmail.com">spspilipinas@gmail.com</a></p>
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