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## Biosecurity at AFMA events during an Avian Influenza disease challenge

Due to the recent outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) on various poultry farms in South Africa, the AFMA BOD have imposed additional biosecurity measures on all members attending AFMA industry meetings and events until further notice. This is to further reduce the risk and potential spread of infection and should not be viewed as a 100% guarantee. Members are encouraged to act responsibly as feed manufacturers and input suppliers during the disease challenge and maintain all biosecurity measures applicable for on-site poultry producers and poultry feed manufacturers.

The following biosecurity measures are applicable to ALL members who attend AFMA industry meetings and events and who are in close contact with live poultry:

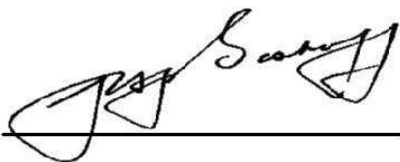
1. Refrain from coming in contact with live poultry **72 hrs before and -after** an AFMA meeting/event.
2. Ensure that all **shoes & clothing** worn to AFMA meetings/events are clean and free from soil/manure particles.
3. Personal **vehicles** used to visit live poultry sites, must be cleaned and disinfected BEFORE parking at the AFMA meeting/event.

A **biosecurity register** will be held at each AFMA meeting whereby attendees will be requested to acknowledge adherence to the above AFMA biosecurity measures.

The actions of people are fundamental in applying biosecurity and you are kindly requested to co-operate in this regard and adhere to all biosecurity measures at live poultry establishments, feed mills, suppliers and industry events.

For further reference on biosecurity for HPAI, you can refer to the FAO Manual uploaded to the AFMA website: <http://www.afma.co.za/fao-biosecurity-for-hpai/>.

Kind regards,



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