



The West Australian Poultry Association (Inc.)

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West Australian Poultry Association (Inc) Statement of Position on COVID-19 (as of March 17, 2020):

The West Australian Poultry Association (Inc.) recommends that all West Australian Poultry Club events scheduled between March and June 30th 2020 be cancelled or postponed.

This is due to the increased public health risk and to protect the health of all within our poultry community, during the current Covid-19 pandemic. The W.A.P.A will continue to monitor all government advice and will continue to update the WA poultry community regularly if recommendations change. Should clubs choose to continue with an event, the following recommendations should be taken into consideration;

COVID-19 Recommendations:

- 1) Currently, any individual that has returned to Australia from another country are required to self-isolate for 14 days (time period may change). However, the West Australian Poultry Association (Inc.) recommends that all WA poultry clubs should not accept entries from any exhibitor that has been outside of Western Australia 2 weeks prior to an event or by anyone exhibiting flu like symptoms on the day of the event.
- 2) Meetings should only be held in person if essential. Alternatives, such as teleconferences should be investigated as a feasible option.
- 3) Poultry clubs should implement social distancing. Ensuring that people are at least 1.5 metres apart, where possible.
- 4) Poultry clubs need to ensure good hygiene practices are being upheld. Having hand wash facilities and hand sanitiser freely accessible.
- 5) Poultry clubs should consider running strictly member events. This way clubs can keep a record of who attended their event, whilst screening attendees at the same time.

Please stay safe,
Reece Jerrett
President of the West Australian Poultry Association (Inc.)