

Bird Carcass Management

Are birds domestic?	Who has lead authority at this point?	Is this a normal farming operation?	Is death suspected or known to be due to disease?	Has the disease been identified?	Is it zoonotic (If yes, assume it is biomedical waste; if no, assume it is not biomedical waste)?	Who has lead authority at this point?	Is there an Emergency Declaration for the "kill" situation that allows rules to be waived?	What are management options? (Apply DEP mass carcass disposal guidance to all situations.)			
No	FWC	N/A (These are wild birds, so options are the same if carcasses are located on a farm or not.)	Yes	Yes	Yes	DOACS, DOH & FWC	Yes	On site mgmt (burial, compost, ACI)			
							No	Off-site at permitted SW, rendering, approved incinerator, or biomedical waste treatment facility.			
				No	No	FWC (DOACS has supporting lead if disease CAN affect domestic animal industry.)	Yes	Off-site in compliance with Biomedical Waste requirements in Chapters 64E-16 and 62-701, F.A.C.			
							No	On site mgmt (burial, compost, ACI)			
							No	Off-site at permitted SW, approved incinerator, or rendering facility			
			No	N/A	N/A (No disease)	Unk	FWC	No (Assume emergency will not be declared until the specific disease is identified)	Yes	Off-site at permitted SW, approved incinerator, or rendering facility	
									No	On site mgmt (burial, compost, ACI)	
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Yes	DOACS	Yes (Disposal of dead poultry and hatchery waste is addressed in Section 583.181(2), F.S.)	Yes	Yes	Yes	DOH & DOACS	Yes	On site mgmt (burial, compost, ACI)			
							No	Off-site at permitted SW, rendering, approved incinerator, or biomedical waste treatment facility; or heat-treated swine feed			
				No	No	DOACS	Yes	On site mgmt (per 583.181(2) by burial, compost, ACI)			
							No	Off-site in compliance with Biomedical Waste requirements in Chapters 64E-16 and 62-701, F.A.C.			
							No	Off-site at permitted SW, approved incinerator, or rendering facility			
			No	N/A	N/A (No disease)	Unk	DOACS	No (Assume emergency will not be declared until the specific disease is identified)	Yes	On site mgmt (burial, compost, ACI)	
									No	Off-site at permitted SW, approved incinerator, or rendering facility; or heat-treated swine feed	
									No	On site mgmt (per 583.181(2) by burial, compost, ACI)	
									No	Off-site at permitted SW, approved incinerator, or rendering facility; or heat-treated swine feed	
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		No	Yes (Disposal of domestic animals that died due to disease is addressed in Section 823.041(1), F.S.)	Yes	Yes	Yes	DOH & DOACS	Yes	On site mgmt (burial, compost, ACI)		
								No	Off-site at permitted SW, rendering, or biomedical waste treatment facility.		
					No	No	DOACS	Yes	On site mgmt (per 823.041(1) by burial or burning)		
								No	Off-site in compliance with Biomedical Waste requirements in Chapters 64E-16 and 62-701, F.A.C.		
								No	Off-site at permitted SW, approved incinerator, or rendering facility		
				No	N/A	N/A (No disease)	Unk	DOACS	No (Assume emergency will not be declared until the specific disease is identified)	Yes	On site mgmt (burial, compost, ACI)
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Reader should follow the answers to the various questions from left to right.

Note that whether a disease can or cannot affect the domestic animal industry did not make a difference in the available management options, and therefore is not included in this document.

While approved incinerator is an option for many off-site situations, it will be difficult to locate an incineration facility willing to accept large quantities of dead birds.