

## **Poultry Testing Class Offered**

November 4<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> 2017

## Maryland Authorized Poultry Testing Agent Classes Offered

October 2017

ANNAPOLIS, MD -

The Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA) Animal Health has tentatively scheduled our next set of Maryland Authorized Poultry Testing Agent classroom trainings for:

**Saturday, November 4, 2017** at 10 AM at the Maryland Mosquito Control, 20772 Nanticoke Road, Salisbury, MD

**Tuesday, November 7, 2017** at 5:30 PM at MDA Headquarters, 50 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, MD 21401

**Saturday November 18, 2017** at 10 AM at the Frederick Animal Health Laboratory at 1840 Rosemont Ave, Frederick, MD 21702

Please apply to the class with the application posted on our poultry page.

We will need to have applications and payments returned by October 31, 2017. Checks or money orders only please. We cannot accept cash. Please do not show up at the door unless you receive a confirmatory email that you are in the class. You will be turned away if you do not have a confirmation.

Please contact NPIP Coordinator Dr. Marilyn White or Poultry Testing Agent Coordinator Melissa Foster at **410-841-5810** or at the email **MDAPoultry.Testers@maryland.gov** for more information.

## More About the Class

The authorized poultry testing class will allow you to test your own and other Maryland poultry for NPIP, interstate shipments and fairs and shows. The certification lasts 3 years.

This is the first part of a 2-part class. Class will last approximately 2.5 hours. The second part is the wet lab section of the class which will be scheduled with you individually. The cost for both sections of class is \$25 paid in advance with your application.

Class size is limited to the first 10 applicants in each section due to space limitations in the classrooms. These will be the last classroom trainings this year so be sure to you get your application and payment in early.

We are selling starter kits needed for the wet lab section of the class. The kit includes everything needed to test up to 80 birds. If you prepay for the kit when you send in your application and class payment, you will receive a 10% discount (\$80). If you purchase the day of class the kit will cost \$89 but we cannot guarantee we will have kits the day of class. If you wait and order the same supplies from the Salisbury Laboratory at a later date, the charge will be \$109 so we encourage you to preorder and pay in advance of class.



