Poultry Euthanasia Decision Guide

A poultry euthanasia decision guide to help keepers decide when a bird should be humanely euthanized. Producers and hobby keepers use it to act promptly and humanely.

Farm / unit: _____ Date: _____ By: _____

1. Observe the bird and note its condition
2. Check for pain, inability to eat or drink
3. Review whether treatment is realistic
4. Ask your veterinarian for advice
5. Decide who will perform it and how
6. Choose an accepted humane method
7. Prepare a calm quiet space
8. Confirm death and dispose of the bird properly

YOUR NOTES

TIP Ask your veterinarian to show you an accepted humane method before you ever need it.