

ANNEX VI

RESTRICTIONS ON THE MOVEMENT OF EQUIDAE

1. Minimum measures

Where at least one outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease has been confirmed in accordance with Article 10, Member States shall ensure that equidae are not dispatched to other Member States, unless accompanied in addition to the identification document provided for in Decisions 93/623/EEC or 2000/68/EC by an animal health certificate provided for in Annex C of Directive 90/426/EEC.

2. Recommended additional measures

2.1. Measures during the stand-still

In the case where the competent authorities apply a complete stand-still as provided for in Article 7(3), transport of equidae from holdings under restrictions laid down in Articles 4 and 10 may be authorised for equidae which need special veterinary treatment in premises without animals of susceptible species, if the following conditions are met:

- 2.1.1. the emergency must be documented by the veterinary surgeon on call 24 hours per day, 7 days per week;
- 2.1.2. the agreement of the clinic of destination must be producible;
- 2.1.3. the transport operation must be authorised by the competent authorities who must be reachable 24 hours per day, 7 days per week;
- 2.1.4. equidae must be accompanied during the transport by an identification document in accordance with Decisions 93/623/EEC or 2000/68/EC;
- 2.1.5. the on-call official veterinarian must be informed about the route prior to departure;
- 2.1.6. equidae must be groomed and treated with an effective disinfectant;
- 2.1.7. equidae must travel in dedicated equine transport which is recognisable as such and cleansed and disinfected prior to and after use.
- 2.2. Controls on equidae in relation to protection and surveillance zones
 - 2.2.1. Movement of equidae outside the protection and surveillance zones is not subject to conditions in excess of those resulting from Directive 90/426/EEC.
 - 2.2.2. Movement of equidae within the protection and surveillance zones established in accordance with Article 21 is subject to the following conditions:
 - 2.2.2.1. the use of equidae kept on holdings in the protection and surveillance zone not keeping animals of susceptible animals may be authorised in the protection zone, subject to appropriate cleansing and disinfection measures, and may not be restricted on premises situated in the surveillance zone;
 - 2.2.2.2. equidae may be transported without restrictions in dedicated equine transport to a holding not keeping animals of susceptible species;
 - 2.2.2.3. the competent authorities may in exceptional cases authorise the transport of equidae in dedicated or registered equine transport from a holding not keeping animals of susceptible species to another holding keeping animals of susceptible species situated

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in the protection zone, subject to cleansing and disinfection of the transport prior to loading of the animals and before leaving the holding of destination;

- 2.2.2.4. movement of equidae may be allowed on public roads, on pastures belonging to holdings not keeping animals of susceptible species and exercise premises.
- 2.2.3. The collection of equine semen, ova and embryos from donor animals on holdings not keeping animals of susceptible species in the protection and surveillance zone and the transport of equine semen, ova and embryos to recipient equine animals on holdings not keeping animals of susceptible species shall not be restricted.
- 2.2.4. Visits from owners of equidae, the veterinary surgeon, the inseminator and the farrier on holdings keeping animals of susceptible species in the surveillance zones but not subject to the restrictions provided for in Articles 4 and 10 shall be subject to the following conditions:
 - 2.2.4.1. equidae are kept separated from animals of susceptible species and access of the persons referred to above to animals of susceptible species is effectively prevented;
 - 2.2.4.2. all visitors must be registered;
 - 2.2.4.3. cleansing and disinfecting of means of transportation and of the boots of visitors.