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(79/542/EEC) ◀

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► M1 Commission Decision 79/560/EEC of 4 May 1979	L 147	49	15.6.1979
► M2 Commission Decision 84/134/EEC of 2 March 1984	L 70	18	13.3.1984
► M3 Commission Decision 85/473/EEC of 2 October 1985	L 278	35	18.10.1985
► M4 Commission Decision 85/488/EEC of 17 October 1985	L 293	17	5.11.1985
► M5 Council Decision 85/575/EEC of 19 December 1985	L 372	28	31.12.1985
► M6 Commission Decision 86/425/EEC of 29 July 1986	L 243	34	28.8.1986
► M7 Commission Decision 89/8/EEC of 14 December 1988	L 7	27	10.1.1989
► M8 Commission Decision 90/390/EEC of 16 July 1990	L 193	36	25.7.1990
► M9 Commission Decision 90/485/EEC of 27 September 1990	L 267	46	29.9.1990
► M10 Commission Decision 91/361/EEC of 14 June 1991	L 195	43	18.7.1991
► M11 Commission Decision 92/14/EEC of 17 December 1991	L 8	12	14.1.1992
► M12 Commission Decision 92/160/EEC of 5 March 1992	L 71	27	18.3.1992
► M13 amended by Commission Decision 92/161/EEC of 9 March 1992	L 71	29	18.3.1992
► M14 Commission Decision 92/162/EEC of 9 March 1992	L 71	30	18.3.1992
► M15 Commission Decision 92/245/EEC of 14 April 1992	L 124	42	9.5.1992
► M16 Commission decision 92/376/EEC of 2 July 1992	L 197	70	16.7.1992
► M17 Commission Decision 93/99/EEC of 22 December 1992	L 40	17	17.2.1993
► M18 Commission Decision 93/100/EEC of 19 January 1993	L 40	23	17.2.1993
► M19 Commission Decision 93/237/EEC of 6 April 1993	L 108	129	1.5.1993
► M20 Commission Decision 93/344/EEC of 17 May 1993	L 138	11	9.6.1993
► M21 Commission Decision 93/435/EEC of 27 July 1993	L 201	28	11.8.1993
► M22 Commission Decision 94/59/EC of 26 January 1994	L 27	53	1.2.1994
► M23 Commission Decision 94/310/EC of 18 May 1994	L 137	72	1.6.1994
► M24 Commission Decision 94/453/EC of 29 June 1994	L 187	11	22.7.1994
► M25 Commission Decision 94/561/EC of 27 July 1994	L 214	17	19.8.1994
► M26 Commission Decision 95/288/EC of 18 July 1995	L 181	42	1.8.1995
► M27 Commission Decision 95/322/EC of 25 July 1995	L 190	9	11.8.1995
► M28 Commission Decision 95/323/EC of 25 July 1995	L 190	11	11.8.1995
► M29 Commission Decision 96/132/EC of 26 January 1996	L 30	52	8.2.1996

► <u>M30</u> Commission Decision 96/279/EC of 26 February 1996	L 107	1	30.4.1996
► <u>M31</u> Commission Decision 96/605/EC of 11 October 1996	L 267	29	19.10.1996
► <u>M32</u> Commission Decision 96/624/EC of 17 October 1996	L 279	33	31.10.1996

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► <u>A1</u> Act of Accession of Austria, Sweden and Finland	C 241	21	29.8.1994
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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 72/462/EEC of 12 December 1972 on health and veterinary inspection problems upon importation of bovine animals and swine and fresh meat from third countries ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Directive 77/98/EEC ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 3 (1) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas the system laid down in Directive 72/462/EEC is based on the establishment of a list of the third countries or parts of third countries from which the Member States authorize imports of bovine animals and swine and of fresh meat of bovine animals, swine, sheep, goats and domestic solipeds, or of one or more of these categories of animals or categories of fresh meat;

Whereas in order to decide in respect both of the animals and of fresh meat whether a country or part of a country may be included in the list, particular account is taken of the criteria set out in Article 3 (2) of the abovementioned Directive;

Whereas the countries listed in the Annex to this Decision which traditionally supply the Member States may be considered to satisfy these criteria;

Whereas, however, this list is drawn up subject to such amendments or additions as may be made to it in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30 of Directive 72/462/EEC; whereas it may prove necessary in the light of further information to limit or extend the authorizations for importing certain categories of animals and fresh meat; whereas, it may also be necessary in certain cases in respect both of the animals and of fresh meat to specify the parts of countries from which imports will be authorized;

Whereas, although the list of third countries forms one of the bases of the Community arrangements applicable to imports from third countries laid down in Directive 72/462/EEC other measures, particularly concerning hygiene and veterinary inspection, will have to be taken in order to define these arrangements; whereas, consequently, it is important to facilitate the coordinated implementation of all these measures,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

1. Without prejudice to Directive 72/462/EEC and in particular any measures which may have to be taken under the procedure provided for in Article 29, and subject to any amendments or additions made to the list in the Annex to this Decision under the procedure provided for in Article 30, particularly for the purpose of limiting or extending authorizations for importing certain categories of animals and fresh meat, or for specifying, both for animals and for fresh meat, the parts of coun-

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 302, 31. 12. 1972, p. 28.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 26, 31. 1. 1977, p. 81.

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tries from which imports will be authorized, the Member States shall authorize imports of animals and fresh meat in accordance with the said list.

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2. Without prejudice to paragraph 1, Member States shall import certain meat products from all domestic species coming from third countries appearing in the Annex.

In the case of imports of fresh meat coming from certain third countries or parts thereof not authorized in accordance with paragraph 1, Member States may, however, import meat products made from such fresh meat provided the meat products have undergone a special treatment as laid down in the Annex.

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3. (a) Without prejudice to Decision 92/160/EEC, Member States shall authorize, from the third countries or parts of third countries appearing in Part 1 of the Annex, the import into the Community of equidae, the temporary admission into the Community of registered horses and the re-entry into the Community of registered horses which have been temporarily exported to a third country or part of a third country appearing in Part 1 of the Annex;
- (b) Without prejudice to Decision 92/160/EEC, Member States shall authorize, from the third countries or parts of third countries appearing in Part 2 of the Annex, the import into the Community of registered horses, the temporary admission into the Community of registered horses and the re-entry into the Community of registered horses which have been temporarily exported to a third country or part of a third country appearing in Part 2 of the Annex.

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4. Member States shall authorize imports of live animals, in particular equidae for slaughter, meat and meat products only from those third countries or parts of those third countries which appear on the list in Part 1 of the Annex and conform to the guarantees regarding residues.

▼B*Article 2*

The list contained in the Annex shall be published in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*, at the same time as the amendments and additions referred to in Article 1 above.

Article 3

Member States shall adopt the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Decision within two years of the publication referred to in Article 2 above and shall forthwith inform the Commission thereof.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

ANNEX

This is a list in principle, imports shall fulfil the appropriate animal and public health requirements

PART 1

LIVE ANIMALS, FRESH MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS

ISO country code	Country	Fresh meat and meat products 'Domestic'				Fresh meat 'Wild'		Live animals				Animal health			Public health
		B	S/G	P	E	CH	E	B	S/G	P	E	Fresh meat	Meat products	Live animals	Residues
AL	Albania	0	X	X	X	0	X	0	0	0	0				0
AR	Argentina	X	X	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		(¹)		XR
AU	Australia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR
BG	Bulgaria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(¹)			XR
BH	Bahrain	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		(³) (⁴)		0
BR	Brazil	X	X	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	X		(¹)	(⁵)	XR
BW	Botswana	X	X	0	X	X	X	0	0	0	0	(¹) (²)	(¹)		XR
BY	Belarus	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(¹)			(⁶)
BZ	Belize	X	0	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0				0
	Bosnia-Herzegovina	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	0	X	X	(¹)			0
CA	Canada	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR (⁴)
CH	Switzerland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR
CL	Chile	X	X	0	X	X	X	0	X	0	X	(¹)	(³)		XR
CN	People's Republic of China	0	0	X	X	X	X	0	0	0	0	(¹)	(³)		0
CO	Colombia	X	0	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0		(¹)		0
CR	Costa Rica	X	0	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0				0

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		B	S/G	P	E	CH	E	B	S/G	P	E	Fresh meat	Meat products	Live animals	Residues
CU	Cuba	X	0	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0				0
CY	Cyprus	X	X	X	X	X	X	0	0	X	X				XR
CZ	Czech Republic	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR
DZ	Algeria	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	X				0
EE	Estonia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(1)			(4)
ET	Ethiopia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1)			0
GL	Greenland	X	X	0	X	X	X	0	0	0	X	(1)			XR
GT	Guatemala	X	0	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0				0
HK	Hong Kong	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		(3)		0
HN	Honduras	X	0	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0				0
HR	Croatia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(1)			XR
HU	Hungary	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR
IL	Israel	0	0	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	X		(3)		0
IN	India	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		(3)		0
IS	Iceland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR
KE	Kenya	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		(3)		0
LJ	Lithuania	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(1)			(4)
LV	Latvia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(1)			0
MA	Morocco	0	0	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	X		(3)		XR
MG	Madagascar	X	X	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0		(3)		XR
MK	Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	X				XR
MT	Malta	X	0	X	X	0	X	X	X	X	X		(3)		XR
MU	Mauritius	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		(3)		0
MX	Mexico	X	0	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	X				XR

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		B	S/G	P	E	CH	E	B	S/G	P	E	B	S/G	P	E	Fresh meat	Meat products	Live animals	Residues
NA	Namibia	X	X	0	X	X	X	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1) (2)	(3)		XR
NI	Nicaragua	X	0	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0
NO	Norway		X						X										XR
NZ	New Zealand	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR
PA	Panama	X	0	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0
PL	Poland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(1)			XR
PY	Paraguay	X	X	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	X	0	0	0	X		(3)		XR
RO	Romania	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(1)			XR
RU	Russia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(1) (2)		(5)	(6)
SG	Singapore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		(3)		0
SI	Slovenia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(1)			XR
SK	Slovak Republic	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(1)			XR
SV	El Salvador	X	X	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0
SZ	Swaziland	X	0	0	X	X	X	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1) (2)	(3)		XR
TH	Thailand	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		(3)		0
TN	Tunisia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	X		(3) (4)		(6)
TR	Turkey	0	0	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0
UA	Ukraine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	X				(6)
US	United States of America	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR (b)
UY	Uruguay	X	X	0	X	X	X	0	0	0	X	0	0	0	X		(3)		XR
ZA	South Africa	X	X	X	X	X	X	0	0	0	X	0	0	0	X	(1) (2)	(3)	(6)	XR
ZW	Zimbabwe	X	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		(3)		XR

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Special remarks

- (¹) Excluding meat of wild swine.
 (²) Excluding bone-in meat and offal.
 (³) Notwithstanding the restrictions in the above list, meat products which have undergone heat treatment in a hermetically sealed container to an F₀ value of 3 or more are authorized.
 (⁴) Notwithstanding the restrictions in the above list, meat products which have been heat treated to a centre temperature of at least 80 °C are authorized.
 (⁵) Member States shall only import equidae in accordance with Commission Decision 92/160/EEC establishing regionalization.
 (⁶) Until specific provisions under Article 13 (2) of Council Directive 90/426/EEC have been adopted, Member States shall not import equidae from this country.

B = bovine animals, (including buffalo and bison)
 S/G = Sheep/goats
 P = pigs
 E = equidae
 CH = cloven-hoofed animals
 x = authorized
 o = unauthorized

Additional notes

XR The plan on residues in animals and fresh meat for substances having a thyrostatic, androgenic, oestrogenic or gestagenic effect and for substances other than those having a hormonal effect has been approved by the Commission.

Equidae other than equidae for slaughter shall be imported without the third country concerned being obliged to submit a plan.

- (⁷) Imports of live bovine animals are restricted to animals intended for reproduction and to veal calves aged under two weeks intended for fattening.
 (⁸) Imports of beef and veal for human consumption are restricted to:
 (i) meat from cows which have been used exclusively for dairy production, or
 (ii) meat:
 — complying with the conditions agreed between the United States of America and the European Economic Community, and
 — which has been obtained from fresh meat establishments supplied with slaughter animals from holdings approved by the Commission. The names of these establishments are the subject of a specific communication from the Commission to the Member States.
 (⁹) As regards imports of live horses for slaughter sufficient guarantees have been received to allow importation.

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PART 2

SPECIAL COLUMN FOR REGISTERED HORSES

ISO country code	Country	Registered horses	Special remarks
AE	United Arab Emirates	x	
BB	Barbados	x	
BH	Bahrain	x	
BM	Bermuda	x	
BO	Bolivia	x	
CO	Colombia	x	(¹)
CR	Costa Rica	x	(¹)
CU	Cuba	x	
EC	Ecuador	x	(¹)
EG	Egypt	x	(¹)
HK	Hong Kong	x	
JM	Jamaica	x	
JO	Jordan	x	
JP	Japan	x	
KW	Kuwait	x	
LY	Libya	x	
MO	Macao	x	
MY	Malaysia (Peninsula)	x	
OM	Oman	x	
PE	Peru	x	(¹)
QA	Qatar	x	
SG	Singapore	x	
SY	Syria	x	
TR	Turkey	x	(¹)
VE	Venezuela	x	(¹)

x = authorized

(¹) Member States shall import equidae only in accordance with Commission Decision 92/160/EEC establishing the regionalization of certain third countries for imports of equidae.