

**COMMISSION DECISION****of 27 July 1999****laying down the model of the certificate referred to in Article 16(1) of Council Directive 91/67/EEC***(notified under document number C(1999) 2425)***(Text with EEA relevance)**

(1999/567/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 91/67/EEC of 28 January 1991 concerning the animal health conditions governing the placing on the market of aquatic animals and products <sup>(1)</sup>, as last amended by Directive 98/45/EC <sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Article 16(1) thereof,

- (1) Whereas aquaculture animals susceptible to infectious haematopoietic necrosis (IHN) and viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS) in intra-Community trade between non-approved zones may transfer diseases when coming from a farm where a disease prevails;
- (2) Whereas in order to avoid such transfer of diseases, it must be ensured that such aquaculture animals are accompanied by a certificate attesting that the animals come from a farm that is not infected with IHN and VHS;
- (3) Whereas, in accordance with Article 10(1) of Council Directive 93/53/EEC of 24 June 1993 introducing minimum Community measures for the control of certain fish diseases <sup>(3)</sup>, as amended by the Act of Accession of Austria, Finland and Sweden, movements of live fish or eggs and gametes from infected farms towards other farms infected with the same disease is allowed;
- (4) Whereas, in order to prevent the spreading of diseases carried by such fish, it is necessary to provide for a special certification;
- (5) Whereas the measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

Consignments of live farmed fish, their eggs or gametes in intra-Community trade between non-approved zones as regards the diseases referred to in list II of Annex A to Directive 91/67/EEC, must be accompanied by a certificate drawn up in accordance with the model laid down in Annex I.

*Article 2*

Consignments of live farmed fish, their eggs and gametes in intra-Community trade from a farm infected with a disease referred to in list II of Annex A to Directive 91/67/EEC towards other farms infected by the same disease, must be accompanied by a certificate drawn up in accordance with the model laid down in Annex II.

*Article 3*

The certificates referred to in Articles 1 and 2 must:

- be drawn up at least in the language or languages of the Member State of destination,
- accompany the fish, eggs or gametes in the original,
- consist of a single sheet of paper,
- be made out for a single consignee.

*Article 4*

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 27 July 1999.

*For the Commission*

Franz FISCHLER

*Member of the Commission*<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 46, 19.2.1991, p. 1.<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 189, 3.7.1998, p. 12.<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 175, 19.7.1993, p. 23.

## ANNEX I

## MODEL

## ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE

for live farmed fish susceptible to infectious haematopoietic necrosis and viral haemorrhagic septicaemia, their eggs and gametes in intra-Community trade between non-approved zones

Coded number <sup>(1)</sup>
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## I. Origin of the consignment

Member State of origin: .....

Farm of origin:

Name: .....

Address: .....

## II. Description of the consignment

	Live animals	Eggs	Gametes
Species:			
Common name			
Scientific name			
Quantity:			
Number			
Total weight			
Average weight			

## III. Destination of the consignment

Member State of destination: .....

Consignee:

Name: .....

Address: .....

Place of destination: .....

## IV. Means of transport

Nature: .....

Identification: .....

<sup>(1)</sup> Issued by the official service.

V. **Health attestation**

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the animals forming the present consignment:

- showed no clinical signs of disease on the day of loading,
- are not intended for destruction or slaughter under a scheme for the eradication of a disease listed in Annex A to Council Directive 91/67/EEC concerning animal health conditions governing the placing on the market of aquaculture animals and products,
- do not come from a farm which is subject to a prohibition for animal health reasons, and in particular from a farm which is infected by infectious haematopoietic necrosis and viral haemorrhagic septicaemia, and have not been in contact with animals from such a farm,

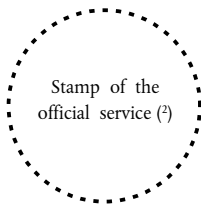
or that the eggs/gametes forming the present consignment have been obtained from animals satisfying these requirements.

Done at ..... , on .....

Name of the official service: .....

Name and function of the signing officer (name in capitals): .....

Signature <sup>(2)</sup>: .....



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<sup>(2)</sup> The signature and the stamp must be in a colour different to that of the printing.

## ANNEX II

## MODEL

## ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE

for the intra-Community transport of live farmed fish, their eggs and gametes from farms infected with infectious haematopoietic necrosis and viral haemorrhagic septicaemia towards another infected farm

Coded number <sup>(1)</sup>
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## I. Origin of the consignment

Member State of origin: .....

Farm of origin:

Name: .....

Address: .....

## II. Description of the consignment

	Live animals	Eggs	Gametes
Species:			
Common name			
Scientific name			
Quantity:			
Number			
Total weight			
Average weight			

## III. Destination of the consignment

Member State of destination: .....

Consignee:

Name: .....

Address: .....

Place of destination: .....

## IV. Means of transport

Nature: .....

Identification: .....

<sup>(1)</sup> Issued by the official service.

V. **Health attestation**

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that

- 1. the fish forming the present consignment <sup>(2)</sup>
  - (a) come from a farm infected with infectious haematopoietic necrosis and/or viral haemorrhagic septicaemia and are intended for another farm infected by the same disease(s);
  - (b) showed no clinical signs of disease on the day of loading;
  - (c) are transported in a means of transport that has been sealed after loading using a seal with the following identification: . . . . . ,

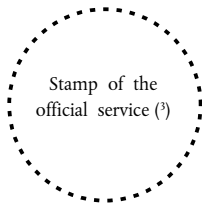
and that the carrier of the fish has taken measures to ensure that the fish can be transported in optimal survival conditions without renewal of the transport water.
- 2. The eggs/gametes forming the present consignment come from a farm infected with infectious haematopoietic necrosis and/or viral haemorrhagic septicaemia and are intended for another farm infected by the same disease <sup>(2)</sup>.

Done at . . . . . , on . . . . .

Name of the official service: . . . . .

Name and function of the signing officer (name in capitals): . . . . .

Signature <sup>(3)</sup>: . . . . .



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<sup>(2)</sup> Delete as appropriate.

<sup>(3)</sup> The signature and the stamp must be in a colour different to that of the printing.