

Council Directive of 26 June 1990 laying down the animal health requirements applicable to intra-Community trade in and imports of semen of domestic animals of the porcine species (90/429/EEC)

CHAPTER III

Imports from third countries

Article 7

1 A Member State may authorize importation of semen only from those third countries which appear on a list drawn up in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 19. That list may be supplemented or amended in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 18.

2 In deciding whether a third country may appear on the list referred to in paragraph 1, particular account shall be taken of:

- a the state of health of the livestock, other domestic animals and wildlife in that country, with particular reference to exotic animal diseases, and of the environmental health situation in that country, which might endanger animal health in the Member States;
- b the regularity and rapidity of the information supplied by that country concerning the existence of contagious animal diseases in its territory transmissible by semen, in particular those diseases mentioned in lists A and B of the International Office of Epizootic Diseases;
- c that country's rules on animal disease prevention and control;
- d the structure of the veterinary services in that country and their powers;
- e the organization and implementation of measures to prevent and control contagious animal diseases; and
- f the guarantees which that country can give with regard to compliance with this Directive.

3 The list referred to in paragraph 1 and all amendments thereto shall be published in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.