

ANNEX A

General conditions for the approval of border inspection posts

In order to obtain Community approval, border inspection posts must have:

- 1) a dedicated access lane for the transport of live animals so that the animals are spared unnecessary waiting;
- 2) facilities (which must be easy to clean and disinfect) for loading and unloading the different means of transport, inspection, feeding, watering and treatment of the animals, with adequate space, lighting and ventilation for the number of animals to be inspected;
- 3) sufficient numbers, in relation to the numbers of animals dealt with by the border inspection post, of veterinary and auxiliary staff specially trained to carry out checks on the accompanying documents and the clinical checks referred to in Articles 4, 5, 8 and 9 of this Directive;
- 4) sufficiently large premises at the disposal of the staff responsible for carrying out veterinary checks, including changing rooms, showers and toilets;
- 5) appropriate premises and facilities for taking and processing the samples for the routine checks laid down in Community rules;
- 6) the services of a specialized laboratory able to carry out special tests on the samples taken at the post;
- 7) the services of an undertaking in the immediate vicinity which has the facilities and equipment to house, feed, water, treat and, if necessary, slaughter the animals;
- 8) where such posts serve as stopping or transfer points for animals during transport, suitable facilities for the animals to be unloaded, watered, fed, housed properly where necessary and given the requisite treatment or if necessary to be slaughtered on the spot in a way which spares them unnecessary suffering;
- 9) appropriate equipment permitting the rapid exchange of information with other border inspection posts and the competent veterinary authorities referred to in Article 20 of Directive 90/425/EEC;
- 10) equipment and facilities for cleaning and disinfecting.