

Council Directive of 28 January 1991 on animal health conditions governing intra-Community trade in ovine and caprine animals (91/68/EEC)

[^{F1}Article 8b

1 Member States shall ensure that all dealers are registered and, for the purpose of intra-Community trade, approved and issued with an approval number by the competent authority and that approved dealers comply with at least the following conditions:

- a they must deal only in animals which are identified and come from holdings that conform with the conditions set out in Article 3. To this end, the dealer shall ensure that the animals are properly identified and are accompanied by health documents as appropriate in accordance with this Directive;
- b the dealer shall be required, either on the basis of the document accompanying the animals, or on the basis of identification numbers or marks on the animals, to keep a record or database and to store the following data for at least three years:
 - the name of the owner, origin, date of purchase, categories, number and identification of ovine and caprine animals or registration number of the holding of origin of the animals purchased, where applicable, the approval or registration number of the assembly centre through which the animals have passed prior to purchase and their destination,
 - the registration number of the transporter and/or the licence number of the lorry delivering and collecting animals,
 - the name and address of the purchaser and the destination of the animal,
 - copies of route plans and/or serial number of health certificates as applicable;
- c when the dealer keeps animals on his premises he shall ensure that:
 - specific training is given to the staff in charge of the animals in applying the requirements of this Directive and in the care and welfare of the animals,
 - any necessary controls and tests on the animals are carried out regularly by the official veterinarian and that all necessary steps are taken to prevent the spread of disease.

2 Member States shall ensure that all premises used by a dealer in connection with his business are registered and issued with an approval number by the competent authority and that they comply with at least the following conditions:

- a they must be under the control of an official veterinarian;
- b they must be located in an area which is not subject to prohibition or restrictions in accordance with relevant Community or national legislation;
- c they must have:
 - appropriate facilities of sufficient capacity and, in particular, inspection facilities and isolation facilities so that all animals can be isolated in the event of an outbreak of a contagious disease,
 - appropriate facilities for unloading and where necessary adequate housing of a suitable standard for the animals, for watering and feeding them, and for giving them any necessary treatment; these facilities must be easy to clean and disinfect,
 - an appropriate reception area for litter and manure,
 - an appropriate system for collecting waste water;
- d they must be cleaned and disinfected before use, as required by the official veterinarian.

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3 The competent authority may suspend or withdraw approval in the event of failure to comply with this Article or other appropriate provisions of this Directive or other Directives in respect of health restrictions. Approval may be restored when the competent authority is satisfied that the dealer is in full compliance with all the appropriate provisions of this Directive.

4 The competent authority must carry out regular inspections in order to ascertain that the requirements of this Article are fulfilled.]

Textual Amendments

F1 Inserted by [Council Directive 2003/50/EC of 11 June 2003 amending Directive 91/68/EEC as regards reinforcement of controls on movements of ovine and caprine animals.](#)