Council Directive 2006/88/EC of 24 October 2006 on animal health requirements for aquaculture animals and products thereof, and on the prevention and control of certain diseases in aquatic animals

CHAPTER III

ANIMAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR PLACING ON THE MARKET OF AQUACULTURE ANIMALS AND PRODUCTS THEREOF

SECTION 1

General Provisions

Article 14

Animal health certification

1 Member States shall ensure that the placing on the market of aquaculture animals is subject to animal health certification when the animals are introduced into a Member State, zone or compartment declared disease-free in accordance with Articles 49 and 50 or subject to surveillance, or eradication programme in accordance with Article 44(1) or (2) for:

- a farming and restocking purposes;
 - or
- b further processing before human consumption, unless:
 - (i) as regards fish, they are slaughtered and eviscerated before dispatch;
 - (ii) as regards molluscs and crustaceans, they are dispatched as unprocessed or processed products.

2 Member States shall also ensure that the placing on the market of aquaculture animals is subject to animal health certification when the animals are allowed to leave an area subject to the control provisions provided for in Sections 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Chapter V.

This paragraph shall also apply to diseases and the species susceptible thereto not listed in Part II of Annex IV.

3 The following movements shall be subject to notification under the computerised system provided for in Article 20(1) of Directive 90/425/EEC:

a movements of aquaculture animals between Member States where animal health certification is required in accordance with paragraphs 1 or 2 of this Article;

and

b all other movements of live aquaculture animals for farming or restocking purposes between Member States where no animal health certification is required under this Directive.

4 Member States may decide to use the computerised system provided for in paragraph 3 to trace movements taking place entirely within their territory.