Council Directive 2009/157/EC of 30 November 2009 on pure-bred breeding animals of the bovine species (codified version) (Text with EEA relevance) (repealed)

Article 1

For the purposes of this Directive, the following definitions shall apply:

- (a) 'pure-bred breeding animal of the bovine species' means any bovine animal, including buffalo, the parents and grandparents of which are entered or registered in a herd-book of the same breed, and which is itself either entered or registered and eligible for entry in such a herd-book;
- (b) 'herd-book' means any book, register, file or data medium:
 - (i) which is maintained by a breeders' organisation or association officially recognised by a Member State in which the breeders' organisation or association was constituted, or by an official department of the Member State concerned; and
 - (ii) in which pure-bred breeding animals of a given breed of the bovine species are entered or registered with mention of their ancestors.

Article 2

The Member States shall ensure that the following shall not be prohibited, restricted or impeded on zootechnical grounds:

- (a) intra-Community trade in pure-bred breeding animals of the bovine species;
- (b) intra-Community trade in the semen, ova and embryos of pure-bred breeding animals of the bovine species;
- (c) the establishment of herd-books, provided that they comply with the requirements laid down pursuant to Article 6;
- (d) the recognition of organisations or associations which maintain herd-books, in accordance with Article 6; and
- (e) subject to Council Directive 87/328/EEC of 18 June 1987 on the acceptance for breeding purposes of pure-bred breeding animals of the bovine species⁽¹⁾, intra-Community trade in bulls used for artificial insemination.

Article 3

Breeders' organisations or associations officially recognised by a Member State may not oppose the entry in their herd-books of pure-bred breeding animals of the bovine species from other Member States provided that they satisfy the requirements laid down in accordance with Article 6.

Article 4

1 Member States shall draw up and keep up-to-date a list of bodies as referred to in Article 1(b) (i) which are officially recognised for the purpose of maintaining or establishing herd-books, and make it available to the other Member States and to the public.

2 Detailed rules for the uniform application of paragraph 1 may be adopted in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 7(2).

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Article 5

Member States may require that pure-bred breeding animals of the bovine species and the semen or ova and embryos from such animals shall be accompanied, in intra-Community trade, by a pedigree certificate which complies with a specimen drawn up in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 7(2), particularly with regard to zootechnical performance.

Article 6

The following shall be determined in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 7(2):

(a) performance monitoring methods and methods for assessing cattle's genetic value;

(b) the criteria governing the recognition of breeders' organisations and associations;

(c) the criteria governing the establishment of herd-books;

(d) the criteria governing entry in herd-books;

(e) the particulars to be shown on the pedigree certificate.

Article 7

1 The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee on Zootechnics established by Council Decision 77/505/EEC of 25 July 1977 setting up a Standing Committee on Zootechnics⁽²⁾.

2 Where reference is made to this paragraph, Articles 5 and 7 of Decision 1999/468/ EC shall apply.

The period laid down in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be set at three months.

Article 8

Member States shall communicate to the Commission the texts of the main provisions of national law which they adopt in the field covered by this Directive.

Article 9

Directive 77/504/EEC, as amended by the acts listed in Annex I, Part A, is repealed, without prejudice to the obligations of the Member States relating to the time-limits for transposition into national law of the Directives set out in Annex I, Part B.

References to the repealed Directive shall be construed as references to this Directive and shall be read in accordance with the correlation table in Annex II.

Article 10

This Directive shall enter into force on the twentieth day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

It shall apply from 2 January 2010.

Article 11

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 30 November 2009.

For the Council The President S. O. LITTORIN Status: This is the original version (as it was originally adopted).

- (**1**) OJ L 167, 26.6.1987, p. 54.
- (**2**) OJ L 206, 12.8.1977, p. 11.