

Regulation (EU) 2016/1012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2016 on zootechnical and genealogical conditions for the breeding, trade in and entry into the Union of purebred breeding animals, hybrid breeding pigs and the germinal products thereof and amending Regulation (EU) No 652/2014, Council Directives 89/608/EEC and 90/425/EEC and repealing certain acts in the area of animal breeding ('Animal Breeding Regulation') (Text with EEA relevance)

## *CHAPTER II*

### ***Recognition of breed societies and breeding operations<sup>F1</sup>... and approval of breeding programmes***

#### *Section 1*

#### ***Recognition of breed societies and breeding operations***

#### *Article 4*

#### **Recognition of breed societies and breeding operations**

1 In respect of purebred breeding animals, breeders' associations, breeding organisations or public bodies may apply to the competent authorities for recognition as a breed society.

In respect of hybrid breeding pigs, breeders' associations, breeding organisations, private undertakings operating in a closed production system or public bodies may apply to the competent authorities for recognition as a breeding operation.

2 The applications referred to in paragraph 1 shall be in writing, either on paper or in electronic form.

3 The competent authorities shall evaluate the applications referred to in paragraph 1. They shall recognise as a breed society any applicant referred to in the first subparagraph of paragraph 1, and as a breeding operation any applicant referred to in the second subparagraph of paragraph 1 that complies with the following requirements:

- a it has its head office on the territory of the [F1constituent territory of the United Kingdom] where the competent authority is located;
- b it demonstrates in its application that it complies with the requirements set out in Part 1 of Annex I for its breeding programmes in respect of which it intends to apply for approval in accordance with Article 8(3), and, where applicable, Article 12;
- c its application contains, in respect of each of those intended breeding programmes, a draft version of the breeding programme which is to include the information set out in Part 2 of Annex I, and, additionally in the case of purebred breeding animals of the equine species, in Part 3 of Annex I;
- d when submitting its application referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article, it submits an application for approval of at least one of those intended breeding programmes, in accordance with Article 8(2).

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### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in Art. 4(3)(a) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Animal Breeding \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/117\)](#), regs. 1, **4(2)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

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