

Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 March 2017 on official controls and other official activities performed to ensure the application of food and feed law, rules on animal health and welfare, plant health and plant protection products, amending Regulations (EC) No 999/2001, (EC) No 396/2005, (EC) No 1069/2009, (EC) No 1107/2009, (EU) No 1151/2012, (EU) No 652/2014, (EU) 2016/429 and (EU) 2016/2031 of the European Parliament and of the Council, Council Regulations (EC) No 1/2005 and (EC) No 1099/2009 and Council Directives 98/58/EC, 1999/74/EC, 2007/43/EC, 2008/119/EC and 2008/120/EC, and repealing Regulations (EC) No 854/2004 and (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council, Council Directives 89/608/EEC, 89/662/EEC, 90/425/EEC, 91/496/EEC, 96/23/EC, 96/93/EC and 97/78/EC and Council Decision 92/438/EEC (Official Controls Regulation) (Text with EEA relevance)

TITLE II

^{FI}OFFICIAL CONTROLS AND OTHER OFFICIAL ACTIVITIES ...

CHAPTER II

Official controls

Section I

General requirements

Article 14

Methods and techniques for official controls

Official control methods and techniques shall include the following as appropriate:

- (a) an examination of the controls that operators have put in place and of the results obtained;
- (b) an inspection of:
 - (i) equipment, means of transport, premises and other places under their control and their surroundings;
 - (ii) animals and goods, including semi-finished goods, raw materials, ingredients, processing aids and other products used for the preparation and production of goods or for feeding or treating animals;
 - (iii) cleaning and maintenance products and processes;
 - (iv) traceability, labelling, presentation, advertising and relevant packaging materials including materials intended to come into contact with food;

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- (c) controls on the hygiene conditions in the operators' premises;
- (d) an assessment of procedures on good manufacturing practices, good hygiene practices, good farming practices, and of procedures based on the principles of hazard analysis critical control points (HACCP);
- (e) an examination of documents, traceability records and other records which may be relevant to the assessment of compliance with the rules referred to in Article 1(2), including, where appropriate, documents accompanying food, feed and any substance or material entering or leaving an establishment;
- (f) interviews with operators and with their staff;
- (g) the verification of measurements taken by the operator and other test results;
- (h) sampling, analysis, diagnosis and tests;
- (i) audits of operators;
- (j) any other activity required to identify cases of non-compliance.

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