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PART II

TERRESTRIAL ANIMALS

CHAPTER II

Disease control measures for category A diseases of kept terrestrial animals in the restricted zones

Section 2

Disease control measures in the protection zone

Article 29

Specific conditions for authorising movements for slaughter of kept animals of listed species in the protection zone

- 1 The competent authority may authorise movements of kept animals of listed species from establishments located in the protection zone to a slaughterhouse located:
 - a as near as possible to the establishment of origin, within the protection zone;
 - b in the surveillance zone, when it is not possible to slaughter the animals in the protection zone; or
 - c as near as possible to the surveillance zone when it is not possible to slaughter the animals in the restricted zone.
- 2 The competent authority shall only grant authorisations provided for in paragraph 1 under the following conditions:
 - a the means of transport must be sealed at the moment of loading by the competent authority of dispatch or under its supervision;
 - b the competent authority of the slaughterhouse shall:
 - (i) be informed in advance by the slaughterhouse operator of the intention to receive kept animals of listed species;
 - (ii) confirm the absence of any signs indicative of the category A disease during the *ante* and *post mortem* inspections;
 - (iii) supervise the slaughterhouse operator having effective procedures in place to ensure that kept animals of listed species originating in the protection zone are kept separately and slaughtered separately from such animals or at different times, preferably at the end of the working day of arrival;

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- (iv) confirm the slaughter of the animals to the competent authority of the establishment of origin of the animals;
- (v) supervise the slaughterhouse operator cleaning and disinfecting the premises where the animals have been kept and slaughtered and the completion of the cleaning and disinfection is completed before other kept animals of listed species are kept or slaughtered in those premises; and
- (vi) supervise the obtaining of meat from such animals complying with the conditions laid down in Article 33.
- 3 The competent authority may authorise movements of kept animals of listed species from establishments located outside the protection zone to a slaughterhouse located in the protection zone if:
 - a the animals are kept separately from other animals originating from the protection zone and are slaughtered separately from those animals or at a different time;
 - b the fresh meat obtained is cut, transported and stored separately from fresh meat obtained from animals originating in the protection zone; and
 - the cleaning and disinfection of the means of transport referred to in Article 24 takes place under official supervision after unloading the animals.
- By way of derogation of Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009 the competent authority may authorise the processing and use of animal by-products, obtained from animals slaughtered in accordance with paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 as category 3 material in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009 in a plant approved for processing or disposal of animal by-products, located on its territory, or in another Member State, where it is not feasible to process or dispose them in an approved plant in the territory of the Member State where the outbreak occurred.

In case the animal by-products referred to in the first subparagraph are moved to a plant located in another Member State, the Member State of destination and the Member States of passage shall authorise such dispatch and the competent authority of destination shall authorise the processing and use of those animal by-products as category 3 material in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009.