

ANNEX XVIII

SAMPLING AND TESTING OF POULTRY OTHER THAN RATITES AFTER THE ENTRY INTO THE UNION

1. The official veterinarian shall take samples for virological examination from breeding poultry other than ratites, productive poultry other than ratites and day-old chicks other than ratites which have entered into the Union from a third country or territory or zone thereof. The samples must be collected as follows:
 - (a) between the seventh and the fifteenth day following the date when the animals were placed in the establishments of destination in the Union, cloacal swabs must be taken at a level which gives a 95 % confidence of detecting infection at 5 % prevalence;
 - (b) testing of samples must be carried out for:
 - (i) highly pathogenic avian influenza;
 - (ii) infection with Newcastle disease virus.
2. Samples may be pooled to a maximum of five samples from individual birds in each pool.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692, ANNEX XVIII.