

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692 of 30 January 2020 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards rules for entry into the Union, and the movement and handling after entry of consignments of certain animals, germinal products and products of animal origin (Text with EEA relevance)

## PART II

### **ANIMAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTRY INTO THE UNION OF KEPT TERRESTRIAL ANIMALS AS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLES 3 AND 5**

#### TITLE 2

#### **ANIMAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR UNGULATES**

##### CHAPTER 1

##### *Specific animal health requirements for ungulates*

##### *Article 20*

##### **Dispatch of ungulates to the Union**

1 Consignments of ungulates shall only be permitted to enter the Union if such consignments have been dispatched from the establishment of origin to the Union without passing through any other establishment.

2 By way of derogation of paragraph 1, consignments of ungulates coming from more than one establishment of origin may be permitted to enter the Union if the animals of the consignment have undergone a single assembly operation in the third country or territory of origin or zone thereof subject to compliance with the following conditions:

- a the ungulates belong to one of the following species and categories:
  - (i) *Bos taurus*, *Ovis aries*, *Capra hircus* or *Sus scrofa*;
  - or
  - (ii) *Equidae* intended for slaughter;
- b the assembly operation took place in an establishment:
  - (i) approved for conducting assembly operations of ungulates by the competent authority in the third country or territory in accordance with requirements which are at least as stringent as to those laid down with Article 5 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/2035<sup>(1)</sup>;
  - (ii) listed for that purpose by the competent authority of the third country or territory of dispatch, including the information provided for in Article 21 of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/2035;

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- (iii) where the following records are maintained up-to-date and kept for a period of at least 3 years:
  - the origin of the animals,
  - the dates of arrival and dispatch to and from the assembly centre,
  - the identification code of the animals,
  - the registration number of the establishment of origin of the animals,
  - the registration number of the transporters and the means of transport delivering or collecting the consignment of ungulates to and from that centre;
- (iv) which complies with the requirements provided for in Article 8 and Article 23(1);
- c the assembly operation in the assembly centre took no longer than 6 days; this period shall be considered as part of the timeframe for sampling for testing prior to dispatch to the Union, where such sampling is required by this Regulation;
- d the ungulates must have arrived in the Union within a period of 10 days from the date of dispatch from the establishment of origin.

### *Article 21*

#### **Identification of ungulates**

1 Consignments of ungulates, other than equine animals, shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the animals of the consignment were individually identified prior to being dispatched from the establishment of origin, by a physical means of identification with a visible, legible and indelible display of:

- a the identification code of the animal which establishes an unequivocal link between the animal and the accompanying animal health certificate;
- b the code of the exporting country in accordance with ISO Standard 3166 in the format of two-letter code.

2 Consignments of equine animals shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the animals of the consignment were individually identified prior to being dispatched from the establishment of origin at least by one of the following methods:

- a an injectable transponder or ear tag, with a visible, legible and indelible display of:
  - (i) the identification code of the animal which establishes an unequivocal link between the animal and the accompanying animal health certificate;
  - (ii) the ISO-3166 two-digit alpha or three-digit numeric country code of the exporting country;
- b in the case of equine animals other than those intended for slaughter, an identification document, issued at the latest at the time of certification for entry into the Union, which:
  - (i) describes and depicts the animal, including the alternative methods of identification, so as to establish an unequivocal link between the animal and the accompanying identification document;
  - (ii) contains information on the individual code emitted by an implanted injectable transponder in the case where this code does not comply with the specifications in point (a).

3 By way of derogation from paragraph 1, consignments of ungulates intended for confined establishments may be permitted to enter the Union if those animals are individually identified by an injectable transponder or an alternative method of identification which ensures an unequivocal link between the animal and its accompanying entry documentation.

4 Where ungulates are identified with an electronic identifier which does not comply with ISO Standards 11784 and 11785 the operator responsible for entry into the Union of the consignments of ungulates shall provide the reading device which enables at any time the verification of the identification of the animal.

## Article 22

### The third country or territory of origin of ungulates or zone thereof

1 Consignments of ungulates, other than equine animals, shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the animals of the consignment originate from a third country or territory or zone thereof free from the category A diseases referred to in the table set out in point 1 of Part A of Annex IV for the period referred to in that table.

2 Consignments of equine animals shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the animals of the consignment originate from a third country or territory or zone thereof:

- a free from the listed diseases referred in the table set out in point 2 of Part A of Annex IV for the period referred to in that table;
- b where none of the listed diseases referred to in the table set out in point 3 of Part A of Annex IV has been reported during the referred period.

3 The periods referred to in paragraph 1 and 2 may be reduced for diseases included in Part B of Annex IV under the relevant specific conditions referred therein.

4 Consignments of ungulates shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the animals of the consignment originate from a third country or territory or zone thereof where vaccination against the category A diseases referred to in Part C of Annex IV has not been carried out in accordance with the details set out in:

- a point 1 of that Annex in the case of ungulates, other than equine animals;
- b point 2 of that Annex in the case of equine animals.

5 As regards infection with *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* complex (*M. bovis*, *M. caprae*, *M. tuberculosis*), consignments of bovine animals shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the animals of the consignment either:

- a originate from a third country or territory or zone thereof free from that disease without vaccination;
- or
- b comply with the requirements set out in point 1 of Annex V.

6 As regards infection with *Brucella abortus*, *B. melitensis* and *B. suis*, consignments of bovine, ovine and caprine animals shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the animals of the consignment either:

- a originate from a third country or territory or zone thereof free from that disease without vaccination;
- or
- b comply with the requirements set out in point 2 of Annex V.

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7 As regards infection with bluetongue virus (serotypes 1-24), consignments of ungulates of listed species shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the animals of the consignment either:

- a originate from a third country or territory or zone thereof free from that disease for a period of 2 years prior to the date of dispatch to the Union; or
- b comply with one of the specific conditions set out in of Part A of Annex VI.

8 As regards enzootic bovine leukosis, consignments of bovine animals shall only be permitted to enter the Union if those animals either:

- a originate from a third country or territory or zone thereof free from that disease;
- or
- b comply with the specific conditions set out in Part B of Annex VI.

9 Consignments of ungulates intended for entry into Member States or zones thereof with disease-free status or with an approved eradication programme for the category C diseases referred to in Annex VII, for which the species of ungulates are listed, shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the animals of the consignment:

- a originate from third country or territory or zone thereof free from those diseases for the relevant species;
- or
- b comply with the relevant additional requirements set out in that Annex.

### Article 23

#### The establishment of origin of ungulates

1 Consignments of ungulates shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the animals of the consignment:

- a come from an establishment in and around which, including where appropriate the territory of a neighbouring country, none of the listed diseases referred to in Annex VIII, for which the species of ungulates intended for entry into the Union are listed, has been reported in an area and for a period set out in the tables in:
  - (i) points 1 and 2 of that Annex for ungulates other than equine animals;
  - or
  - (ii) points 3 and 4 of that Annex for equine animals;
- b during the period referred to in point (a), the ungulates have not come into contact with animals with a lower health status.

2 As regards infection with *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* complex (*M. bovis*, *M. caprae*, *M. tuberculosis*), consignments of bovine, ovine, caprine, camelid and cervid animals shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the establishment of origin of the animals of the consignment complies with the relevant requirements set out in point 1 of Annex IX.

3 As regards infection with *Brucella abortus*, *B. melitensis* and *B. suis*, consignments of bovine, ovine, caprine, porcine, camelid and cervid animals shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the establishment of origin of the animals of the consignment complies with the relevant requirements set out in point 2 of Annex IX.

## Article 24

### The ungulates of the consignment

1 Consignments of ungulates shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the animals of the consignment comply with the following requirements:

a they have not been vaccinated against the category A diseases referred to in the tables set out either in:

(i) point 1 of Part C of Annex IV in the case of ungulates other than equine animals;

or

(ii) point 2 of Part C of Annex IV in the case of equine animals;

b during the period of time from when they were dispatched from their establishment of origin until their arrival to the Union, they must not have been unloaded in any place which does not comply with the requirements laid down in the tables set out either in:

(i) points 1 and 2 of Annex VIII in the case of ungulates other than equine animals;

or

(ii) points 3 and 4 of Annex VIII in the case of equine animals.

2 As regards infection with *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* complex (*M. bovis*, *M. caprae*, *M. tuberculosis*) and infection with *Brucella abortus*, *B. melitensis* and *B. suis* consignments of listed species of ungulates shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the animals of the consignment have not been vaccinated against those diseases.

3 As regards infection with bluetongue virus (serotypes 1-24), consignments of listed species of ungulates shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the animals of the consignment have not been vaccinated with a live vaccine against this disease in the last 60 days prior to the date of movement.

4 Consignments of ungulates intended for entry into Member States or zones thereof with disease-free status or with an approved eradication programme for the category C diseases referred to in Annex VII, for which the species of ungulates are listed, shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the animals of the consignment have not been vaccinated against those diseases.

5 In addition to requirements laid down in paragraph 1, consignments of uncastrated males of ovine animals and ungulates of the family *Tayassuidae* shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the animals of the consignment comply with the relevant specific requirements as regards infection with *Brucella* laid down in Annex X.

6 In addition to requirements laid down in paragraph 1, consignments of equine animals shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the animals of the consignment comply with the specific conditions set out in point 2 of Annex XI, depending on the sanitary group, as determined in accordance with point 1 of Annex XI, to which the third country or territory or zone thereof has been assigned in the list.

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#### *Article 25*

### **Derogations and additional requirements for entry into the Union of ungulates for slaughter**

By way of derogation from the requirements laid down in Article 22(5) and (6), consignments of ungulates of the species referred to in those paragraphs which do not comply with those requirements shall be permitted to enter the Union provided that the animals of the consignment are only intended for slaughter.

#### *Article 26*

### **Movement and handling of ungulates after their entry into the Union**

Following their entry into the Union, ungulates, except horses entering for competition, races and cultural equestrian events, shall remain in their establishment of destination for a period of time of at least 30 days since their arrival to that establishment.

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- (1) Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/2035 of 28 June 2019 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards rules for establishments keeping terrestrial animals and hatcheries, and the traceability of certain kept terrestrial animals and hatching eggs ([OJ L 314, 5.12.2019, p. 115](#)).

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