

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 4

ANIMAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR HONEYBEES AND BUMBLE BEES

CHAPTER 2

Specific animal health requirements for queen honeybees

Article 65

The apiary of origin of queen honeybees

Consignments of queen honeybees shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the honeybees of the consignment originate from an apiary which is situated in an area:

- (a) of at least a 100 km radius, including where appropriate the territory of a neighbouring third country:
 - (i) where infestation with *Aethina tumida* (Small hive beetle) or infestation with *Tropilaelaps* spp. has not been reported;
 - (ii) there are no restrictions in place due to a suspicion, case or outbreak of the diseases referred to in (i);
- (b) of at least 3 km radius, including where appropriate the territory of a neighbouring third country:
 - (i) American foulbrood has not been reported for a period of at least 30 days prior to the date of loading for dispatch to the Union;
 - (ii) there are no restrictions in place due to a suspicion or a confirmed case of American foulbrood during the period referred to in point (i);
 - (iii) where there had been a previous confirmed case of American foulbrood before the period referred to in point (i), all hives were subsequently checked by the competent authority in the third country or territory of origin and all infected hives were treated and subsequently inspected with favourable results within a period of 30 days from the date of last recorded case of that disease.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally adopted).

Article 66

The hive of origin of queen honeybees

Consignments of queen honeybees shall only be permitted to enter the Union if the honeybees of the consignment originate from hives from which samples of the comb have been tested for American foulbrood with negative results within the period of 30 days prior to the date of loading for dispatch to the Union.

Article 67

The consignment of queen honeybees

Consignments of queen honeybees shall only be permitted to enter the Union if such consignments are in closed cages, each containing one single queen honeybee with a maximum of 20 accompanying attendants.

Article 68

Additional guarantees for queen honeybees destined to certain Member States or zone as regards the infestation with *Varroa* spp. (*Varroosis*)

Consignments of queen honeybees destined to a Member State or zone with disease-free status for infestation with *Varroa* spp. (*Varroosis*) shall only be permitted to enter the Union if such consignments comply with the following requirements:

- (a) the honeybees of the consignment must originate from a third country or territory or zone thereof free from infestation with infestation with *Varroa* spp. (*Varroosis*);
- (b) in the third country or territory of origin or zone thereof, infestation with *Varroa* spp. (*Varroosis*) has not been reported for a period of 30 days prior to the date of loading for dispatch to the Union;
- (c) every precaution has been taken to avoid contamination of the consignment with *Varroa* spp. during loading and dispatch to the Union.