

COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 7 October 2003

amending Annex E to Council Directive 91/68/EEC and Annexes I and II to Decision 93/198/EEC as regards the updating of the model health certificates relating to ovine and caprine animals

(notified under document number C(2003) 3511)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2003/708/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 72/462/EEC of 12 December 1972 on health and veterinary inspection problems upon importation of bovine, ovine and caprine animals and swine, fresh meat or meat products from third countries ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 807/2003 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 11 thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 91/68/EEC of 28 January 1991 on animal health conditions governing intra-Community trade in ovine and caprine animals ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Council Directive 2003/50/EC ⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Article 14(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The specimen veterinary certificate for trade in ovine and caprine animals for breeding is set down in Model III of Annex E to Directive 91/68/EEC.
- (2) Commission Decision 93/198/EEC of 17 February 1993, as last amended by Decision 2002/261/EC ⁽⁵⁾, lays down a model for the animal health conditions and veterinary certification for the importation of domestic ovine and caprine animals from third countries ⁽⁶⁾.
- (3) In accordance with Part I of Chapter A of Annex VIII and Chapter E of Annex IX to Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 May 2001 laying down rules for the prevention, control and eradication of certain transmissible spongiform encephalopathies ⁽⁷⁾, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1234/2003 ⁽⁸⁾, certain restric-

tions on trade in and imports of ovine and caprine animals have been removed under the condition that these animals are of the ARR/ARR prion protein genotype.

- (4) It is necessary to align the animal health certificate Model III in Annex E to Directive 91/68/EEC and the model certificates in Annexes I and II to Decision 93/198/EEC with the updated rules.
- (5) Directive 91/68/EEC and Decision 93/198/EEC should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (6) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Model III in Annex E to Directive 91/68/EEC is replaced by the text in Annex I to this Decision.

Article 2

Decision 93/198/EEC is amended as follows:

1. Annex I is replaced by the text in Annex II to this Decision.
2. Annex II is replaced by the text in Annex III to this Decision

Article 3

This Decision shall apply from 13 October 2003.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 302, 31.12.1972, p. 28.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 122, 16.5.2003, p. 36.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 46, 19.2.1991, p. 19.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 169, 8.7.2003, p. 51.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 86, 6.4.1993, p. 34.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 91, 6.4.2002, p. 31.

⁽⁷⁾ OJ L 147, 31.5.2001, p. 1.

⁽⁸⁾ OJ L 173, 11.7.2003, p. 6.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 7 October 2003.

For the Commission
David BYRNE
Member of the Commission

ANNEX I

Model III

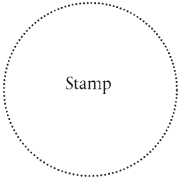
HEALTH CERTIFICATE ⁽¹⁾ FOR TRADE BETWEEN MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN UNION IN OVINE AND CAPRINE ANIMALS FOR BREEDING																
<p>1. Consignor (name and address in full)</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>	<p>No ORIGINAL</p> <p>3. MEMBER STATE.....</p>															
<p>2. Consignee (name and address in full)</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>	<p>4. Competent Authority</p> <p>4.1. Ministry:</p> <p>4.2. Department:</p> <p>.....</p>															
<p>5. Place of loading:</p> <p>.....</p>																
<p>6. Means of transport ⁽²⁾</p> <p>6.1. Type</p> <p>6.2. Identification</p>	<p>7. Establishment(s) of origin</p> <p>7.1. Name and address of the holding ⁽⁴⁾</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>7.2. Name, address and registration number of approved assembly centre ⁽⁴⁾</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>															
<p>8. Destination of the animals</p> <p>8.1. EU Member State:</p> <p>8.2.1. Name and address of the holding ⁽⁴⁾</p> <p>8.2.2. Name, address and registration number of the approved assembly centre in the Member State of origin ⁽⁴⁾</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>																
<p>9. Number of animals</p>																
<p>10. Identification of the animals</p> <p>10.1. Animal specie(s): breed</p> <p>10.2. Individual identification of the animals included in this consignment</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin-top: 10px;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 35%;">Official individual identification ⁽³⁾</th> <th style="width: 35%;">Age (months) and Sex (♀ ♂ Castrated)</th> <th style="width: 30%;">Number of animals</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Official individual identification ⁽³⁾	Age (months) and Sex (♀ ♂ Castrated)	Number of animals												
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<p>11. Origin of the animals</p> <p>The animals were either:</p> <p>(a) born and have been reared since birth on Community territory ⁽⁴⁾</p> <p>or</p> <p>(b) imported from a third country satisfying the animal health conditions laid down in Commission Decision 93/198/EEC in accordance with Article 8 of Directive 72/462/EEC ⁽⁴⁾</p>																

12. Health information

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify, that the animals described above meet the following requirements:

- 12.1. they have been inspected today (within 24 hours prior to loading) and show no clinical sign of disease;
- 12.2. they are not animals which are to be destroyed under a scheme to eradicate a contagious or infectious disease;
- 12.3. they were not obtained from a holding which is the subject of a prohibition on animal health grounds and they have not been in contact with animals from such a holding, it being understood that:
- 12.3.1. such prohibition is connected with the outbreak of one of the following diseases to which the animals are susceptible:
- brucellosis,
 - rabies,
 - anthrax;
- 12.3.2. after slaughter and/or destruction of the last animal suffering from or susceptible to one of the above diseases, the duration of the prohibition must be at least:
- 42 days in a case of brucellosis,
 - 30 days in a case of rabies,
 - 15 days in a case of anthrax;
- 12.3.3. they do not come from a holding nor have been in contact with animals from a holding in a protection zone which has been set up under Community legislation and which animals are prohibited to leave;
- 12.3.4. they are not the subject of animal health measures pursuant to Community legislation on foot-and-mouth disease nor have they been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease;
- 12.4. they have remained on a single holding of origin for a period of at least 30 days prior to loading, or since birth in the holding of origin where the animals are less than 30 days old, and no animal of the ovine or caprine species has been introduced into the holding of origin during the last 21 days prior to loading and no biungulate animal imported from a third country has been introduced into the holding of origin during the 30 days prior to dispatch from the holding of origin, unless those animals were introduced in accordance with Article 4a (2) of Directive 91/68/EEC;
- 12.5. they comply with the additional guarantees provided for in Articles 7 or 8 of Council Directive 91/68/EEC and laid down for the Member State of destination or part of its territory [insert Member State or part of its territory] in Commission Decision/...../EC (*).
- 12.6. they comply with at least one the following conditions in 12.6.1., 12.6.2. or 12.6.3. and therefore qualify for admission to an ovine or caprine holding which is officially brucellosis-free, (*B. melitensis*) (*):
- 12.6.1. the holding of origin is situated in a Member State or part of its territory [insert name of Member State or part of its territory] which is recognised as being officially brucellosis-free in accordance with Commission Decision/...../EC (*), or
- 12.6.2. they come from an officially brucellosis-free (*B. melitensis*) holding (*); or
- 12.6.3. they come from a brucellosis-free (*B. melitensis*) holding and
- (i) they are identified individually, and
 - (ii) they have never been vaccinated against brucellosis or if they have been vaccinated were so vaccinated more than two years previously or they are females over two years old which were vaccinated before the age of seven months, and
 - (iii) they were isolated under official supervision on the holding of origin and, during such isolation, underwent, with negative results, two tests for brucellosis in accordance with Annex C to Directive 91/68/EEC, separated by an interval of at least six weeks (*);
- 12.7. they comply with at least one of the conditions in 12.7.1., 12.7.2. or 12.7.3. and therefore qualify for admission to an ovine or caprine holding which is brucellosis-free, (*B. melitensis*) (*):
- 12.7.1. they come from an officially brucellosis-free (*B. melitensis*) holding) (*); or
- 12.7.2. they come from a brucellosis-free (*B. melitensis*) holding (*); or

12.7.3.	<p>until the qualifying date under eradication plans approved pursuant to Decision 90/242/EEC, they originate from a holding other than that referred to in 12.7.1. and 12.7.2. and satisfy the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) they are identified individually, and (ii) they originate from a holding in which all the animals of species susceptible to brucellosis (<i>B. melitensis</i>) have been free of clinical symptoms or any other symptoms of brucellosis for at least 12 months; and (iii) either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — they have not been vaccinated against brucellosis (<i>B. melitensis</i>) in the last two years, and — they were isolated under veterinary supervision on the holding of origin and, during such isolation, underwent, with negative results, two tests for brucellosis in accordance with Annex C to Directive 91/68/EEC, separated by an interval of at least six weeks ⁽⁴⁾, <p>or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — they were vaccinated with Rev. 1 vaccine before the age of seven months but not later than 15 days before their introduction into the holding of destination ⁽⁴⁾;
12.8.	<p>as regards contagious epididymitis of rams (<i>B. ovis</i>), where uncastrated breeding rams are concerned, they must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) come from a holding on which no case of contagious epididymitis of rams (<i>B. ovis</i>) has been recorded in the past 12 months, and (ii) have been kept permanently on that holding for the 60 days preceding consignment, and (iii) have undergone, within 30 days prior to consignment, with a negative result, a test to detect contagious epididymitis of rams (<i>B. ovis</i>) in accordance with Annex D to Directive 91/68/EEC;
12.9.	<p>to the best of the knowledge of the undersigned and according to the written declaration made by the owner, they were not obtained from a holding nor have been in contact with animals from a holding in which the following diseases have been clinically detected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) within the last six months, contagious agalactia of sheep (<i>Mycoplasma agalactiae</i>) and contagious agalactia of goats (<i>Mycoplasma agalactiae</i>, <i>M. capricolum</i>, <i>M. mycoides</i> subsp. <i>mycoides</i> large colony), (ii) within the last 12 months, paratuberculosis or caseous lymphadenitis, (iii) within the last three years, pulmonary adenomatosis, maedi/visna or caprine viral arthritis/encephalitis. However, this time limit is reduced to 12 months if animals affected by maedi/visna or caprine viral arthritis/encephalitis have been slaughtered and the remaining animals have reacted negatively to two tests;
12.10.	<p>as regards scrapie, the animals:</p>
12.10.1.1.	<p>either have been kept continuously since birth or for the last three years on a holding or holdings which have satisfied the following requirements for at least three years ⁽⁴⁾:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) it is/they are subject to regular official veterinary checks, (ii) the animals are marked, (iii) no case of scrapie has been confirmed, (iv) checking by sampling of old female animals intended for culling is carried out on the holding(s), (v) females are introduced into the holding(s) only if they come from a holding which complies with the same requirements; or
12.10.1.2.	<p>are sheep of the ARR/ARR prion protein genotype, as defined in Annex I to Commission Decision 2002/1003/EC ⁽⁴⁾,</p> <p>and</p>
12.10.2.	<p>if they are destined for a Member State which benefits, for all or part of its territory, from the provisions laid down in point (b) or (c) of Part I in Chapter A in Annex VIII to Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 they comply with the additional guarantees laid down for the Member State of destination or part of its territory [insert Member State or part of its territory] in Commission Regulation (EC) No/..... ⁽⁴⁾.</p>
13.1.	<p>The animals were transported using means of transport and containment which had, beforehand, been cleaned and disinfected using an officially approved disinfectant, and in such a way as to provide effective protection of the animals' health status.</p>
13.2.	<p>Based on the official documentation accompanying the animals the consignment covered by this health certificate started the journey on [insert date] ⁽⁵⁾.</p>
13.3.	<p>At the time of inspection the animals were fit to be transported on the intended journey in accordance with the provisions of Directive 91/628/EEC ⁽⁶⁾.</p>
14.	<p>This certificate is valid for 10 days from the date of inspection.</p>

<p>14.1. Official stamp and signature</p> 	<p>14.2. Done at:</p> <p>.....</p> <p>[insert place of inspection]</p> <p>14.3. Done on:</p> <p>.....</p> <p>[insert date of inspection]</p> <p>14.4. Signature of official veterinarian</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>[insert name and capacity in block capitals]</p>
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Indicative notes

- (1) Health certificates may be drawn up only for animals which are to be transported in the same railway wagon, truck/lorry, aircraft or boat/ship, which originate from the same holding and which are being sent to the same consignee.
- (2) Give the registration number in the case of railway wagons and lorries/trucks, the flight number in the case of aircraft and the name in case of boats and ships.
- (3) State number and location.
- (4) Delete where not applicable.
- (5) In the case where a consignment is grouped in an assembly centre and comprises animals that were loaded on different dates, the date at which the journey commenced for the whole consignment is considered to be the earliest date when any part of the consignment left the holding of origin.
- (6) This statement does not exempt transporters from their obligations in accordance with Community provisions in force in particular regarding the fitness of animals to be transported.*

ANNEX II

ANNEX I

PART 1(a)

ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE

for domestic ovine and caprine animals for immediate slaughter intended for consignment to the European Community

Note for the importer: This certificate is only for veterinary purposes and the original must accompany the consignment until it reaches the border inspection post. It covers only animals transported in the same railway wagon, lorry, aircraft or ship, consigned to the same destination and intended to be taken immediately on arrival in the Member State of destination direct to a slaughterhouse and to be slaughtered not later than five working days after their entry in accordance with Article 13 of Council Directive 72/462/EEC. It must be completed on the date of loading and all time limits referred to expire on that date.

Code No (1)

Exporting country:

Ministry:

Competent issuing authority:

Country of destination:

I. Number of animals: (in words)

II. Identification of animals:

The animals to be exported must bear an individual number which permits tracing of their premises of origin and an indelible red mark on their heads identifying them as animals for slaughter.

Table with 6 columns: Number of Animals, Official identification number, Species (ovine/caprine), Breed, Age, Sex

III. Origin of animals

Name(s) and address(es) of premises of origin:

IV. Destination of animals

The animals will be sent from: (place of loading)

to: (country and place of destination)

(1) Issued by the central competent authority.

by railway wagon/lorry/aircraft/ship:

(indicate means of transport and registration marks, flight number or registered name, as appropriate)

Name and address of consignor:

Name and address of consignee:

V. Health information

I, the undersigned, being an official veterinarian of:
(exporting country)

do hereby certify that:

1. (2)
(exporting country) (region)

has been free from foot-and-mouth disease for the two years immediately prior to export, has not practised vaccination against foot-and-mouth disease during the 12 months immediately prior to export, does not permit animals into its territory vaccinated less than one year previously and the animals to be exported have not been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease.

2. (2)
(exporting country) (region)

has been free from the following diseases:

— for 12 months immediately prior to export from rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever and during this time vaccination against any of these diseases has not been carried out,

— for six months immediately prior to export from vesicular stomatitis.

3. The animals to be exported:

(a) were born on the territory of (2)
(exporting country) (region)

and have remained there since birth if less than three months old

or

have remained continuously on the territory of (2)
(exporting country) (region)

for at least three months prior to the day of loading

or

were imported into (2)
(exporting country) (region)

not less than three months ago from a Member State of the European Community or from a third country included in Part I of the Annex to Council Decision 79/542/EEC, in accordance with veterinary conditions at least as strict as the relevant requirements of Directive 72/462/EEC, including any subsidiary decisions;

(delete unwanted reference)

(2) Only to be completed if the authorisation to export to the Community is restricted to certain regions of the third country concerned.

- (b) have remained for the last 30 days or since birth, if less than 30 days old, on a holding in the centre of an area of 20 km in diameter in which, according to official findings, there has been no occurrence of foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever or vesicular stomatitis during the last 30 days;
- (c) in respect of scrapie:
- (i) either they were born in and continuously reared on holdings in which a case of scrapie has never been diagnosed ⁽³⁾,
- or
- (ii) they are sheep of the ARR/ARR prion protein genotype, as defined in Annex I to Commission Decision 2002/1003/EC, coming from a holding where no case of scrapie has been reported in the last six months ⁽³⁾,
- and
- (iii) If they are destined for a Member State which benefits, for all or part of its territory, from the provisions laid down in point (b) or (c) of Chapter A(I) of Annex VIII to Regulation (EC) No 999/2001, comply with the guarantees provided for in the programmes referred to in that point ⁽³⁾;
- (d) come from a holding which has been free from any official prohibition on health grounds:
- for the last 42 days in the case of brucellosis,
 - for the last 30 days in the case of rabies,
 - for the last 15 days in the case of anthrax,
- and have not been in contact with animals from holdings which do not satisfy these conditions;
- (e) were examined by an official veterinarian of.....
(name of exporting country)
- within 24 hours of loading and showed no clinical sign of disease;
- (f) are not animals to be destroyed under a national programme for the eradication of disease;
- (g) have not received thyrostatic, oestrogenic, androgenic or gestagenic substances for fattening purposes;
- (h) were obtained:
- from a holding
 - or
 - from
-
(name of market)
- a market officially authorised, under conditions at least as severe as those of Annex II to Commission Decision 91/189/EEC, for the export of ovine and caprine animals for immediate slaughter to the European Community,
- and were assembled at:
-
(name of assembly point)
- and until dispatched onto the territory of the European Community they did not come into contact with any cloven-hoofed animals other than those meeting the requirements of this certificate and were not at any place other than a place situated at the centre of an area of 20 km diameter in which, according to official findings by the veterinary authorities of
-
(name of exporting country)

(³) Delete where not applicable.

there had been no incidence of foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever or vesicular stomatitis during the previous 30 days;

(delete reference to holding, market or assembly point as appropriate)

4. any transport vehicles or containers in which they were loaded were previously cleansed and disinfected with an officially authorised disinfectant and so constructed that faeces, urine, litter or fodder could not flow or fall out of the vehicle during transportation.
- VI. Protocols for the approval of any markets through which the animals to which this certificate applies may have passed were in accordance with Annex II to Decision 91/189/EEC.
- VII. The certificate is valid for 10 days from the date of loading. In the case of transport by ship the time is prolonged by the time of the voyage.

Done at, on

.....
(signature of the official veterinarian) ()*

.....
(name in capital letters, qualifications and title)

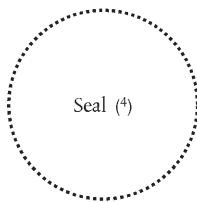
- VIII. **Declaration by the captain of the aircraft or master of the ship** (only to be completed when transport includes, even for part of the journey, transport by aircraft or ship).

I, the undersigned, captain of aircraft (flight No.....)/master of ship (name.....), declare that the animals referred to in paragraph IV above have remained on board the aircraft/ship during the flight/voyage from in (exporting country) to in the European Community and that the aircraft/ship did not land/call at any place outside (exporting country) en route to the European Community other than (Ports or airports of call en route).

Done at on
(Port or airport of arrival) (Date of arrival)

.....
(Signature of captain or master) ()*

.....
(Name in capital letters and title)



(*) The signature and the stamp must be in a colour different to that of the printing.

PART 1(b)

ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE

for domestic ovine and caprine animals for immediate slaughter intended for consignment to the European Community

Note for the importer:

This certificate is only for veterinary purposes and the original must accompany the consignment until it reaches the border inspection post. It covers only animals transported in the same railway wagon, lorry, aircraft or ship, consigned to the same destination and intended to be taken immediately on arrival in the Member State of destination direct to a slaughterhouse and to be slaughtered not later than five working days after their entry in accordance with Article 13 of Council Directive 72/462/EEC. It must be completed on the date of loading and all time limits referred to expire on that date.

Code No (1)

Exporting country:

Ministry:

Competent issuing authority:

Country of destination:

I. **Number of animals:**
(in words)

II. **Identification of animals:**

The animals to be exported must bear an individual number which permits tracing of their premises of origin and an indelible red mark on their heads identifying them as animals for slaughter.

Number of Animals	Official identification number	Species (ovine/caprine)	Breed	Age	Sex

III. **Origin of animals**

Name(s) and address(es) of premises of origin:

IV. **Destination of animals**

The animals will be sent from:.....

(place of loading)
 to:
(country and place of destination)

(1) Issued by the central competent authority.

by railway wagon/lorry/aircraft/ship:

(indicate means of transport and registration marks, flight number or registered name, as appropriate)

Name and address of consignor:

Name and address of consignee:

V. Health information

I, the undersigned, being an official veterinarian of:
(exporting country)

do hereby certify that

1. (2)
(exporting country) , (region)

has been free from foot-and-mouth disease for the two years immediately prior to export, has not practised vaccination against foot-and-mouth disease during the 12 months immediately prior to export, does not permit animals into its territory vaccinated less than one year previously and the animals to be exported have not been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease.

2. (2)
(exporting country) , (region)

has been free from the following diseases:

— for 12 months immediately prior to export from rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever and during this time vaccination against any of these diseases has not been carried out,

— for six months immediately prior to export from vesicular stomatitis.

3. The animals to be exported:

(a) were born on the territory of

..... (2)
(exporting country) , (region)

and have remained there since birth if less than three months old

or

have remained continuously on the territory of

..... (2)
(exporting country) , (region)

for at least three months prior to the day of loading

or

were imported into

..... (2)
(exporting country) , (region)

not less than three months ago from a Member State of the European Community or from a third country included in Part 1 of the Annex to Council Decision 79/542/EEC, in accordance with veterinary conditions at least as strict as the relevant requirements of Directive 72/462/EEC, including any subsidiary decisions;

(delete unwanted reference)

(2) Only to be completed if the authorisation to export to the Community is restricted to certain regions of the third country concerned.

(b) have remained for the last 30 days or since birth, if less than 30 days old, on a holding in the centre of an area of 20 km in diameter in which, according to official findings, there has been no occurrence of foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever or vesicular stomatitis during the last 30 days;

(c) in respect of scrapie:

(i) either they were born in and continuously reared on holdings in which a case of scrapie has never been diagnosed ⁽³⁾,

or

(ii) they are sheep of the ARR/ARR prion protein genotype, as defined in Annex I to Commission Decision 2002/1003/EC, coming from a holding where no case of scrapie has been reported in the last six months ⁽³⁾,

and

(iii) If they are destined for a Member State which benefits, for all or part of its territory, from the provisions laid down in point (b) or (c) of Chapter A(I) of Annex VIII to Regulation (EC) No 999/2001, comply with the guarantees provided for in the programmes referred to in that point ⁽³⁾;

(d) come from a holding which has been free from any official prohibition on health grounds:

— for the last 42 days in the case of brucellosis,

— for the last 30 days in the case of rabies,

— for the last 15 days in the case of anthrax,

and have not been in contact with animals from holdings which do not satisfy these conditions;

(e) were examined by an official veterinarian of.....

(name of exporting country)

within 24 hours of loading and showed no clinical sign of disease;

(f) are not animals to be destroyed under a national programme for the eradication of disease;

(g) have not received thyrostatic, oestrogenic, androgenic or gestagenic substances for fattening purposes;

(h) were obtained directly from a holding or holdings without passing through a market and were loaded:

.....

(name of assembly point)

and until dispatched onto the territory of the European Community they did not come into contact with any cloven-hoofed animals other than those meeting the requirements of this certificate and were not at any place other than a place situated at the centre of an area of 20 km diameter in which, according to official findings by the veterinary authorities of

.....

(name of exporting country)

there had been no incidence of foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever or vesicular stomatitis during the previous 30 days;

4. any transport vehicles or containers in which they were loaded were previously cleansed and disinfected with an officially authorised disinfectant and so constructed that faeces, urine, litter or fodder could not flow or fall out of the vehicle during transportation.

⁽³⁾ Delete where not applicable.

VI. The certificate is valid for 10 days from the date of loading. In the case of transport by ship the time is prolonged by the time of the voyage.

Done at on

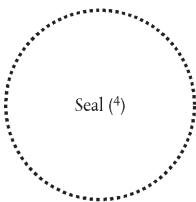
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(signature of the official veterinarian) (*)

.....
(name in capital letters, qualifications and title)

VII. **Declaration by the captain of the aircraft or master of the ship** (only to be completed when transport includes, even for part of the journey, transport by aircraft or ship).

I, the undersigned, captain of aircraft (flight No)/master of ship (name), declare that the animals referred to in paragraph IV above have remained on board the aircraft/ship during the flight/voyage from in (exporting country) to in the European Community and that the aircraft/ship did not land/call at any place outside (exporting country) en route to the European Community other than (Ports or airports of call en route).

Done at on
(Port or airport of arrival) (Date of arrival)



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(Signature of captain or master) (*)

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(Name in capital letters and title)

(*) The colour of the seal and the signature must be different from the colour of the printing.

ANNEX III

ANNEX II

PART 1(a)

ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE

for domestic ovine and caprine animals for fattening intended for consignment to the European Community

Note for the importer: This certificate is only for veterinary purposes and the original must accompany the consignment until it reaches the border inspection post. It covers only animals transported in the same railway wagon, lorry, aircraft or ship and consigned to the same destination. It must be completed on the date of loading and all time limits referred to expire on that date.

Code No (!)

Exporting country:

Ministry:

Competent issuing authority:

Country of destination:

I. Number of animals: (in words)

II. Identification of animals:

The animals to be exported must bear an individual number which permits tracing of their premises of origin.

Table with 6 columns: Number of animals, Official identification number, Species (ovine/caprine), Breed, Age, Sex

III. Origin of animals

Name(s) and address(es) of premises of origin:

IV. Destination of animals

The animals will be sent from: (place of loading)

to: (country and place of destination)

(!) Issued by the central competent authority.

by railway wagon/lorry/aircraft/ship:

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(indicate means of transport and registration marks, flight number or registered name, as appropriate)

Name and address of consignor:

.....

Name and address of consignee:

.....

V. Health information

I, the undersigned, being an official veterinarian of:
(exporting country)

do hereby certify that:

1. (2)
(exporting country) (region)

has been free from foot-and-mouth disease for the two years immediately prior to export, has not practised vaccination against foot-and-mouth disease during the 12 months immediately prior to export, does not permit animals into its territory vaccinated less than one year previously and the animals to be exported have not been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease.

2. (2)
(exporting country) (region)

has been free from the following diseases:

- for 12 months immediately prior to export from rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever and during this time vaccination against any of these diseases has not been carried out,
- for six months immediately prior to export from vesicular stomatitis.

3. The animals described in this certificate:

(a) are marked in such a way that they can readily be traced to their holding(s) of origin;

(b) have been subjected with negative result to the following test(s) and conform to the following guarantees, as required by a Member State in application of Article 7 or 8 of Council Directive 91/68/EEC (3)

.....
(complete or delete as required by the importing Member State)

(c) have remained during the past 30 days, or since birth if less than 30 days old, on a holding or holdings situated in the centre of an area of 20 km diameter in which, according to official findings, there has been no occurrence of foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever or vesicular stomatitis during the last 30 days;

(d) in respect of scrapie:

(i) either they were born in and continuously reared on holdings in which a case of scrapie has never been diagnosed (3)

or

(ii) they are sheep of the ARR/ARR prion protein genotype, as defined in Annex I to Commission Decision 2002/1003/EC, coming from a holding where no case of scrapie has been reported in the last six months (3)

and

(2) Only to be completed if the authorisation to export to the Community is restricted to certain regions of the third country concerned.

(3) Delete as appropriate.

(iii) If they are destined for a Member State which benefits, for all or part of its territory, from the provisions laid down in point (b) or (c) of Chapter A(I) of Annex VIII to Regulation (EC) No 999/2001, comply with the guarantees provided for in the programmes referred to in that point ⁽³⁾;

(e) (i) were born on the territory of

..... ⁽²⁾,
(exporting country) (region)

and have remained there since birth if less than six months old ⁽³⁾

OR

have remained continuously on the territory of

..... ⁽²⁾
(exporting country) (region)

for at least six months prior to the day of loading ⁽³⁾

OR

were imported into
(exporting country)

..... ⁽²⁾,
(region)

not less than six months ago from a

Member State of the European Community, or from a third country included in Part 1 of the Annex to Council Decision 79/542/EEC, in accordance with veterinary conditions at least as strict as the relevant requirements of Directive 72/462/EEC, including any subsidiary decisions ⁽³⁾;

(ii) have been inspected today (within 24 hours of loading) and show no clinical signs of disease;

(iii) are not animals to be destroyed under a scheme to eradicate a contagious or infectious disease;

(iv) do not come from a holding which is the subject of a prohibition on animal health grounds and have not been in contact with animals from such a holding, it being understood that:

1. such prohibition is connected with the outbreak of one of the following diseases to which the animals are susceptible:

- brucellosis,
- rabies,
- anthrax;

2. after destruction of the last animal suffering from or susceptible to one of the above diseases, the duration of the prohibition must be at least:

- 42 days in a case of brucellosis,
- 30 days in a case of rabies,
- 15 days in a case of anthrax;

nor have they come from a holding or been in contact with animals from a holding in an area subject to animal health restrictions;

(f) EITHER

(i) originate from a holding meeting the requirements for officially brucellosis-free holdings laid down in Annex II, Part 1c, Chapter 1 to Commission Decision 93/198/EEC on which the most recent test of all eligible animals was carried out on

..... ⁽⁴⁾
(date)

with negative results ⁽³⁾;

OR

⁽⁴⁾ Where more than one holding of origin is involved the date of the most recent test on each holding must be clearly indicated.

satisfy the provisions of Annex II, Part 1c, Chapter 1, paragraph D to Decision 93/198/EEC, laying down the standards to be met by animals being added to a holding with officially brucellosis-free status including two serological tests performed on
(date of first test)

and (4) with negative results (3);
(date of second test)

OR

- (ii) originate from a holding meeting the requirements for brucellosis-free holdings laid down in Annex II, Part 1c, Chapter 2 to Decision 93/198/EEC on which the most recent test of all eligible animals was carried out on (4)

.....
(date)

with negative results (3);

OR

satisfy the provisions of Annex II, Part 1c, Chapter 2, paragraph D to Decision 93/198/EEC, laying down the standards to be met by animals being added to a holding with brucellosis-free status including where appropriate two serological tests performed on
(date of first test)

and (4)
(date of second test)

with negative results (3)

OR

- (iii) originate from (3)
(country) (region)

which has been recognised as satisfying the requirements for officially brucellosis-free status and is included in the list in the Annex, Part 5 to Commission Decision 97/232/EC(3);

- (g) were obtained directly from a holding or holdings without passing through a market and

were loaded at (5)
(name of loading place)

and until dispatched onto the territory of the European Community they did not come into contact with any cloven-hoofed animals other than those meeting the requirements of this certificate and were not at any place other than a place situated at the centre of an area of 20 km diameter in which, according to official findings by the veterinary authorities of

.....
(name of exporting country)

there had been no incidence of foot-and-mouth-disease, rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever or vesicular stomatitis during the previous 30 days.

4. Any transport vehicles or containers in which they were loaded were previously cleansed and disinfected with an officially authorised disinfectant and so constructed that faeces, urine, litter or fodder could not flow or fall out of the vehicle during transportation.

- VI. The certificate is valid for 10 days from the date of loading. In the case of transport by ship the time is prolonged by the time of the voyage.

Done at , on

.....
(signature of the official veterinarian) (5)

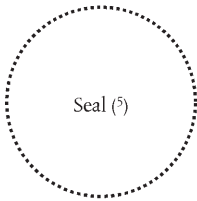
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(5) The colour of the seal and the signature must be different from the colour of the printing.

VII. **Declaration by the captain of the aircraft or master of the ship** (only to be completed when transport includes, even for part of the journey, transport by aircraft or ship).

I, the undersigned, captain of aircraft (flight No)/ master of ship (name) declare that the animals referred to in paragraph IV above have remained on board the aircraft/ship during the flight/voyage from in (exporting country) to in the European Community and that the aircraft/ship did not land/call at any place outside (exporting country) en route to the European Community other than: (Ports or airports of call en route).

Done at , on
(Port or airport of arrival) *(Date of arrival)*



.....
(Signature of captain or master)(5)

.....
(Name in capital letters and title)

(5) The colour of the seal and the signature must be different from the colour of the printing.

PART 1(b)**ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE****for domestic ovine and caprine animals for breeding intended for consignment to the European Community***Note for the importer:*

This certificate is only for veterinary purposes and the original must accompany the consignment until it reaches the border inspection post. It covers only animals transported in the same railway wagon, lorry, aircraft or ship and consigned to the same destination. It must be completed on the date of loading and all time limits referred to expire on that date.

Code No ⁽¹⁾

Exporting country:

Ministry:

Competent issuing authority:

Country of destination:

I. **Number of animals:**
(in words)

II. **Identification of animals:**

The animals to be exported must bear an individual number which permits tracing of their premises of origin.

Number of animals	Official identification number	Species (ovine/caprine)	Breed	Age	Sex

III. **Origin of animals**

Name(s) and address(es) of premises of origin:

.....

.....

IV. **Destination of animals**

The animals will be sent from:

.....

(place of loading)

to:

.....

(country and place of destination)

⁽¹⁾ Issued by the central competent authority.

by railway wagon/lorry/aircraft/ship:

(indicate means of transport and registration marks, flight number of registered name, as appropriate)

Name and address of consignor:

Name and address of consignee:

V. Health information

I, the undersigned, being an official veterinarian of:
(exporting country)

do hereby certify that:

1. (2)
(exporting country) (region)

has been free from foot-and-mouth disease for the two years immediately prior to export, has not practised vaccination against foot-and-mouth disease during the 12 months immediately prior to export does not permit animals into its territory vaccinated less than one year previously and the animals to be exported have not been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease.

2. (2)
(exporting country) (region)

has been free from the following diseases:
— for 12 months immediately prior to export from rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever and during this time vaccination against any of these diseases has not been carried out,
— for 6 months immediately prior to export from vesicular stomatitis.

3. The animals described in this certificate:
(a) are marked in such a way that they can readily be traced to their holding(s) of origin;
(b) have been subjected with negative result to the following test(s) and conform to the following guarantees, as required by a Member State in application of Article 7 or 8 of Council Directive 91/68/EEC (3)

.....
(complete or delete as required by the importing Member State)

(c) have remained during the past 30 days, or since birth if less than 30 days old, on a holding or holdings situated in the centre of an area of 20 km diameter in which, according to official findings, there has been no occurrence of foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever or vesicular stomatitis during the last 30 days

(d) in respect of scrapie:
(i) either they were born in and continuously reared on holdings in which a case of scrapie has never been diagnosed and which have satisfied the following requirements for at least three years:
— it is subject to regular official veterinary checks,
— the animals are marked,
— no case of scrapie has been confirmed,
— checking by sampling of old female animals intended for culling is carried out on the holding,
— females are introduced into the holding only if they come from a holding which complies with the same requirements (3);

or

(ii) they are sheep of the ARR/ARR prion protein genotype, as defined in Annex I to Commission Decision 2002/1003/EC, coming from a holding where no case of scrapie has been reported in the last six months (3)

and

(2) Only to be completed if the authorisation to export to the Community is restricted to certain regions of the third country concerned.
(3) Delete as appropriate.

- (iii) if they are destined for a Member State which benefits, for all or part of its territory, from the provisions laid down in point (b) or (c) of Chapter A(I) of Annex VIII to Regulation (EC) No 999/2001, comply with the guarantees provided for in the programmes referred to in that point⁽²⁾;
- (e) to the knowledge of the undersigned and according to the written declaration made by the owner, they were not obtained from a holding or have been in contact with animals from a holding in which the following diseases have been clinically detected:
 - (i) within the last six months, contagious agalactia of sheep (*Mycoplasma agalactiae*) or contagious agalactia of goats (*Mycoplasma agalactiae*, *Mycoplasma capri-colum*, *Mycoplasma mycoides* var. *mycoides* 'large colony');
 - (ii) within the last 12 months, paratuberculosis and caseous lymphadenitis,
 - (iii) within the last three years, pulmonary adenomatosis;
 - (iv) within the last three years, Maedi/Visna or caprine viral arthritis/encephalitis ⁽³⁾,

or

within the last 12 months, Maedi/Visna or caprine viral arthritis/encephalitis if all the infected animals were slaughtered and the remaining animals subsequently reacted negatively to two tests at least six months apart ⁽³⁾;
- (f) were born on the territory of

.....⁽²⁾,

(exporting country) *(region)*

and have remained there since birth if less than six months old

or

have remained continuously on the territory of

.....⁽²⁾

(exporting country) *(region)*

for at least six months prior to the day of loading ⁽³⁾

or

were imported into⁽²⁾

(exporting country) *(region)*

not less than six months ago from a Member State of the European Community, or from a third country included in Part I of the Annex to Council Decision 79/542/EEC, in accordance with veterinary conditions at least as strict as the relevant requirements of Council Directive 72/462/EEC, including any subsidiary decisions ⁽³⁾
- (g) have been inspected today (within 24 hours of loading) and show no clinical signs of disease;
- (h) are not animals to be destroyed under a scheme to eradicate a contagious or infectious disease;
- (i) do not come from a holding which is the subject of a prohibition on animal health grounds and have not been in contact with animals from such a holding, it being understood that:
 - (i) such prohibition is connected with the outbreak of one of the following diseases to which the animals are susceptible:
 - brucellosis,
 - rabies,
 - anthrax;
 - (ii) after destruction of the last animal suffering from or susceptible to one of the above diseases, the duration of the prohibition must be at least:
 - 42 days in a case of brucellosis,
 - 30 days in a case of rabies,
 - 15 days in a case of anthrax,

nor have they come from a holding or been in contact with animals from a holding in an area subject to animal health restrictions;

- (j) in respect of rams intended for breeding ⁽³⁾:
 - come from a holding where no case of contagious epididymitis (*B. ovis*) has been diagnosed in the last 12 months,
 - have been kept continuously on that holding for 60 days prior to loading for export,
 - during the 30 days prior to export have undergone, with a negative result (< 50 IU/ml), a complement fixation test to detect contagious epididymitis of rams as laid down in Annex D to Directive 91/68/EEC;

(k) either :

- (i) originate from a holding meeting the requirements for officially brucellosis-free holdings laid down in Annex II, Part 1c, Chapter 1 to Commission Decision 93/198/EEC on which the most recent test of all eligible animals was carried out on ⁽⁴⁾ with negative results ⁽³⁾;
 (date)

or

satisfy the provisions of Annex II, Part 1c, Chapter 1, paragraph D to Decision 93/198/EEC, laying down the standards to be met by animals being added to a holding with officially brucellosis-free status including two serological tests performed

on ⁽⁴⁾
 (date of first test)

and ⁽⁴⁾ with negative results ⁽³⁾;
 (date of second test)

or

- (ii) originate from a holding meeting the requirements for brucellosis-free holdings laid down in Annex II, Part 1c, Chapter 2 to Decision 93/198/EEC on which the most recent test of all eligible animals was carried out on

..... ⁽⁴⁾
 (date)

with negative results ⁽³⁾;

or

satisfy the provisions of Annex II, Part 1c, Chapter 2, paragraph D to Decision 93/198/EEC, laying down the standards to be met by animals being added to a holding with brucellosis-free status including where appropriate two serological tests performed

on ⁽⁴⁾
 (date of first test)

and ⁽⁴⁾ with negative results ⁽³⁾;
 (date of second test)

or :

- (iii) originate from

..... ⁽³⁾, ⁽²⁾
 (country) (region)

which has been recognised as satisfying the requirements for officially brucellosis-free status and is included in the list in the Annex, Part 5 to Commission Decision 97/232/EC ⁽³⁾

- (l) were obtained directly from a holding or holdings without passing through a market and were loaded at ⁽³⁾
 (name of loading place)

and until dispatched onto the territory of the European Community they did not come into contact with any cloven-hoofed animals other than those meeting the requirements of this certificate and were not at any place other than a place situated at the centre of an area of 20 km diameter in which, according to official findings by the veterinary authority
 (name of exporting country)

there had been no incidence of foot-and-mouth-disease, rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever or vesicular stomatitis during the previous 30 days.

⁽⁴⁾ Where more than one holding of origin is involved the date of the most recent test on each holding must be clearly indicated.

4. Any transport vehicles or containers in which they were loaded were previously cleansed and disinfected with an officially authorised disinfectant and so constructed that faeces, urine, litter or fodder could not flow or fall out of the vehicle during transportation.

VI. **The certificate is valid for 10 days from the date of loading. In the case of transport by ship the time is prolonged by the time of the voyage.**

Done at....., on

.....
(signature of the official veterinarian) ⁽⁵⁾

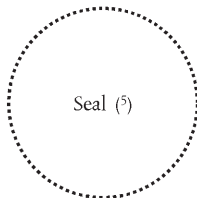
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VII. **Declaration by the captain of the aircraft or master of the ship** (only to be completed when transport includes, even for part of the journey, transport by aircraft or ship).

I, the undersigned, captain of aircraft (flight No.....)/ master of ship (name) declare that the animals referred to in paragraph IV above have remained on board the aircraft/ship during the flight/voyage from in (exporting country) to in the European Community and that the aircraft/ship did not land/call at any place outside (exporting country) en route to the European Community other than: (Ports or airports of call en route)

Done at..... (Port or airport of arrival), on (Date of arrival)

.....
(Signature of captain or master) ⁽⁵⁾



.....
(Name in capital letters and title)

⁽⁵⁾ The colour of the seal and the signature must be different from the colour of the printing.