MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT **-------**	**SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM** **Independence - Freedom – Happiness** **----------**
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CIRCULAR

AMENDMENTS TO SOME CIRCULARS ON REDUCTION, DELEGATION OF JURISDICTION AND SIMPLIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES UNDER THE STATE MANAGEMENT SCOPE OF THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

Pursuant to Law on Food Safety No. 55/2010/QH12;

Pursuant to Law on Plant protection and quarantine No. 41/2013/QH13, as amended and supplemented in Law No. 35/2018/QH14 and Law No. 146/2025/QH15;

Pursuant to Law on Veterinary No. 79/2015/QH13, as amended and supplemented in Law No. 146/2025/QH15;

Pursuant to Law on natural resources and environment of sea and island No. 82/2015/QH13, as amended and supplemented in Law No. 35/2018/QH14, Law No. 18/2023/QH15, Law No. 61/2024/QH15, and Law No. 146/2025/QH15;

Pursuant to Law on Veterinary No. 07/2017/QH14, as amended and supplemented in Law No. 115/2025/QH15;

Pursuant to Law on Veterinary No. 31/2018/QH14, as amended and supplemented in Law No. 146/2025/QH15;

Pursuant to Law on Animal Husbandry No. 32/2018/QH14, as amended and supplemented in Law No. 146/2025/QH15;

Pursuant to Law on Environmental Protection No. 72/2020/QH14, as amended and supplemented in Law No. 11/2022/QH15, Law No. 16/2023/QH15, Law No. 18/2023/QH15, Law No. 47/2024/QH15, Law No. 54/2024/QH15, and Law No. 146/2025/QH15;

Pursuant to the Law on Organization of the Government No. 63/2025/QH15;

Pursuant to Decree No. 35/2025/ND-CP dated prescribing the functions, tasks, powers and organizational structure of the Ministry of Agriculture and Environment of Vietnam;

At the request of the Director of the Department of Crop Production and Plant Protection; Director of the Department of Quality, Processing and Market Development; Director of the Department of Fisheries and Fisheries Surveillance; Director of the Department of Climate Change; Director of the Department of Science and Technology; Director of the Vietnam Agency of Seas and Islands; Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary; Director of the Department of Environment; and Director of the Legal Affairs Department;

The Minister of Agriculture and Environment hereby issues a Circular amending and supplementing some Circulars on reduction, delegation of jurisdiction and simplification of administrative procedures under the state management scope of the Ministry of Agriculture and Environment.

Chapter I

CROP CULTIVATION AND PLANT PROTECTION

Article 1. Amendments to Circular No. 07/2026/TT-BNNMT dated January 23, 2026 of the Minister of Agriculture and Environment elaborating certain articles of the Law on plant protection and quarantine, Law on crop cultivation and amendments to certain articles of circulars in crop cultivation and plant protection

1. Amendments to Article 6

"Article 6. Applications, procedures, and authority to issue or cancel the decision on recognition of privileged circulation of plant varieties

1. An application for issuance of a Decision on recognition of privileged circulation of plant varieties includes:

a) An application for recognition of privileged circulation of plant varieties of the Commune-level People's Committee made using Form No. 15 in Appendix II attached hereto;

b) Description of characteristics and current use made using the Form No. 16 in Appendix II attached hereto;

c) A stored sample transfer record.

2. Procedures for issuance of the decision on recognition of privileged circulation of plant varieties:

a) The commune-level People's Committee shall submit 01 application to the authority assigned by Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee to handle administrative procedures, either in person, online via the National Public Service Portal, or via postal services;

The assigned authority shall immediately confirm the completeness of the application for in-person submissions, or provide a written response within 01 working day for online or postal submissions;

b) Within 05 working days from the date of receipt of a satisfactory application, the assigned authority shall appraise the application and submit it to the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee for review and issuance of a Decision on recognition of privileged circulation of plant varieties using Form No. 17 in Appendix II attached hereto; In case of refusal, a written explanation must be provided;

c) The assigned authority shall publish information regarding the recognized plant varieties on its website and update the plant variety database;

d) The assigned authority shall compile and monitor the registration number of varieties within the province.

3. Procedures for cancellation of the decision on recognition of privileged circulation of plant varieties:

Within 10 working days from the date of receipt of information regarding violations prescribed in Clause 7 Article 15 of Law on Crop Production, the assigned authority shall appraise the information and submit it to the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee for consideration and issuance of a decision to cancel the decision recognition of privileged circulation of plant varieties using the Form No. 18 in Appendix II attached hereto; publish the Decision on its website and update it in the plant variety database.”.

2. Replacement of phrases, points, clauses, articles, and appendices:

a) Replace the phrase “15 ngày làm việc” ("15 working days") with “10 ngày làm việc” (“10 working days”) in Point a Clause 4 of Article 5; replace “10 ngày làm việc” (“10 working days”) with “05 ngày làm việc” (“05 working days”) in Clause 6 of Article 5;

b) Replace the phrase “03 tháng” (“03 months”) with “60 ngày” (“60 days”) in Point c Clause 2 of Article 13;

c) Replace Forms No. 15, 16, 17, and 18 in Appendix II attached to Circular No. 07/2026/TT-BNNMT with Forms No. 15, 16, 17, and 18 in Appendix I attached hereto.

Article 2. Annulment of Clause 2 of Article 1, Article 7a, Appendix Ia, and Appendix IIa attached to Circular No. 33/2014/TT-BNNPTNT dated October 30, 2014, of the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development on procedures for the plant quarantine for import, export, transit and post-import of articles subject to plant quarantine, as amended and supplemented by Circular No. 34/2018/TT-BNNPTNT.

Chapter II

QUALITY MANAGEMENT OF AGRICULTURAL, FORESTRY, AND FISHERIES PRODUCTS

Article 3. State inspection of imported food safety under the management of the Ministry of Agriculture and Environment

1. The state inspection authorities of imported food safety under the management of the Ministry of Agriculture and Environment under normal or tightened inspection methods shall be the authorities assigned or designated by the Chairpersons of the Provincial-level People's Committees.

2. The authorities prescribed in Clause 1 of this Article shall replace the agencies under the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (the Department of Veterinary, the Department of Plant Protection) to perform specialized inspection before the clearance for imported goods subject to food safety inspection specified in Appendix II attached to Circular No. 01/2024/TT-BNNPTNT dated February 02, 2024, of the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development promulgating HS codes of commodities under management of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development.

3. The state inspection of imported food safety under the management scope of the Ministry of Agriculture and Environment under normal or tightened inspection methods specified in Clause 1 of this Article shall comply with Articles 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19 of the Government's Decree No. 15/2018/ND-CP dated February 02, 2018 elaborating the implementation of some articles of the Law on Food Safety.

Article 4. Amendments to some articles of Circular No. 17/2025/TT-BNNMT dated June 19, 2025 of the Minister of Agriculture and Environment on delegation of state management in agricultural, forestry, and fisheries product quality

1. Amendments to Clause 1 Article 3

“1. An application for certificate of food safety eligibility for agricultural, forestry, and fisheries food production and business establishments is prescribed in Clause 1 of Article 36 of the Law on Food Safety. To be specific: <0}

a) An application for a certificate of food safety eligibility made using the form in Appendix I attached hereto;

b) A written explanation of the facilities, equipment, and devices that ensure food hygiene and safety conditions made using the form in Appendix II attached hereto.”.

2. Amendments to Clause 1 Article 4:

“1. An application for a Certificate of Free Sale (CFS) for exported goods under the management of the Ministry of Agriculture and Environment is prescribed in Point a Clause 3 of Article 11 of the Government's Decree No. 69/2018/ND-CP dated May 15, 2018 elaborating some articles of the Law on Foreign Trade Management. To be specific:

a) An application form for CFS, stating description and HS head of the good, number of certificate of conformity with standards or registration number, standard number (if any), content of compounding materials (if any), and importing country: 1 original copy, expressed in Vietnamese and English.

b) List of manufacturing facilities (if any), including name and address of facilities, products manufactured for export: 01 original copy;

c) A document of applied standards for the good enclosed with display (on product label, packaging, or accompanying documents): 01 copy bearing the trader's stamp.”.

3. Amendments to Clause 2 Article 6:

“2. An application for designation is prescribed in Points a, b, c, and d Clause 3 of Article 6 of Joint Circular No. 20/2013/TTLT-BYT-BCT-BNNPTNT dated August 01, 2013 of the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Industry and Trade, and the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development on conditions and procedures for designating food testing laboratories for state management (hereinafter referred to as “Joint Circular No. 20/2013/TTLT-BYT-BCT-BNNPTNT”). To be specific:

a) An application form for testing laboratory designation made using the form in Appendix 1 attached to Joint Circular No. 20/2013/TTLT-BYT-BCT-BNNPTNT;

b) Technical documents and procedures related to the registered parameters/tests;

c) Capacity profile:

Documents proving testing quality assurance: plans, results of proficiency testing or interlaboratory comparisons; report on the proficiency testing results of testing technicians for the registered parameters/tests;

a testing laboratory capability report made using the form in Appendix 2 attached to Joint Circular No. 20/2013/TTLT-BYT-BCT-BNNPTNT.”.

4. Amendments to Clause 1 Article 7:

“1. An application for designation is prescribed in Point dd Clause 3 of Article 6 of Joint Circular No. 20/2013/TTLT-BYT-BCT-BNNPTNT. To be specific:

a) An application form for testing laboratory designation made using the form in Appendix 1 attached to Joint Circular No. 20/2013/TTLT-BYT-BCT-BNNPTNT;

b) Technical documents and procedures related to the registered parameters/tests;

c) Capacity profile:

- Documents proving testing quality assurance plans, results of proficiency testing or interlaboratory comparisons; report on the proficiency testing results of testing technicians for the registered parameters/tests;

- A testing laboratory capability report made using the form in Appendix 2 attached to Joint Circular No. 20/2013/TTLT-BYT-BCT-BNNPTNT.

b) An accreditation certificate for National Standard TCVN ISO/IEC 17025:2007 or International Standard ISO/IEC 17025:2005, and the list and scope of accreditation.".

5. Amendments to Clause 1 Article 8:

"1. An application for extension of designation is prescribed in Article 7 of Joint Circular No. 20/2013/TTLT-BYT-BCT-BNNPTNT. To be specific:

a) An application form for extension of testing laboratory designation made using the form in Appendix 1 attached to Joint Circular No. 20/2013/TTLT-BYT-BCT-BNNPTNT;

b) A report on testing performance during the designation period made using the form in Appendix 4 attached to Joint Circular No. 20/2013/TTLT-BYT-BCT-BNNPTNT.".

6. Amendments to Clause 1 Article 9:

"1. An application for amendments to designation scope is prescribed in Article 8 of Joint Circular No. 20/2013/TTLT-BYT-BCT-BNNPTNT. To be specific:

a) An application form for testing laboratory designation made using the form in Appendix 1 attached to Joint Circular No. 20/2013/TTLT-BYT-BCT-BNNPTNT;

b) Technical documents and procedures related to the registered parameters/tests;

c) Capacity profile:

- Documents proving testing quality assurance plans, results of proficiency testing or interlaboratory comparisons; report on the proficiency testing results of testing technicians for the registered parameters/tests;

- A testing laboratory capability report made using the form in Appendix 2 attached to Joint Circular No. 20/2013/TTLT-BYT-BCT-BNNPTNT.".

Article 5. Annulment of some articles, clauses, and points of Circulars

1. Annul Clause 1 of Article 19 of Circular No. 38/2018/TT-BNNPTNT dated December 25, 2018.

2. Annul Clause 2 of Article 11 of Circular No. 17/2025/TT-BNNMT dated June 19, 2025

Chapter III

CLIMATE CHANGE

Article 6. Amendments to articles of Circular No. 11/2026/TT-BNNMT dated February 13, 2026

1. Amendments to some clauses of Article 13:

a) Annul point b Clause 1;

b) Amend Clause 3:

"3. The Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee shall cancel the registration of voluntary carbon credits upon the request of the account holder. The procedures are as follows:

a) The account holder shall submit an application for cancellation of voluntary carbon credit registration using Form No. 01 in Appendix I attached hereto either in person, via postal services to the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee, or online through the National Public Service Portal or the national identification application;

b) Within 02 working days from the date of receipt of the application from the account holder, the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee shall cancel the carbon credit registration as requested under the General Registration sub-account on the National Registration System, and send a confirmation notice of carbon credit registration cancellation made using Form No. 02 in Appendix I attached hereto to the account holder. In case the quantity of carbon credits requested for cancellation exceeds the balance in the General Registration sub-account, the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee shall send a refusal notice stating the reasons to the account holder.".

2. Amendments to some points and clauses of Article 17:

a) Amend points d and dd Clause 2:

"d) The Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee shall receive, process, and consider the legitimacy of, and approve applications based on provided documents; shall not be held accountable for any violations committed by the agencies or organizations occurring before or after the submission of application for ownership transfer of GGH emission quotas and carbon credits outside of carbon trading system; shall not be held accountable for disputes or

damage related to judgments, decisions of the court, or decisions of arbitration, or decisions of judgment enforcing authorities;

dd) The Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee shall transfer ownership of GHG emission quotas and carbon credits in accordance with judgments and decisions of the court; or decisions of judgment enforcing authorities; or decisions of arbitration as per the law as a related organization exercising decisions and shall not be held accountable for disputes or damage (if any) related to judgments or decisions of the court; decisions of judgment enforcing authorities; decisions of arbitrations.";

b) Amend Clauses 3, 4, 5, and 6 as follows:

"3. Agencies and organizations shall submit application for transfer of ownership of GHG emission quotas and carbon credits outside of carbon trading system either in person, via postal services to the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee, or online through the National Public Service Portal or the national identification application;

4. The application consists of:

a) Application for ownership transfer of GHG emission quotas and carbon credits using Form No. 3 under Appendix I attached hereto;

b) Copies and original copies or certified true copies of documents proving partial division, total division, acquisition, merger of applicants (if applicable);

c) Copies and original copies or certified true copies of judgments or decisions of the court; judgments or decisions of arbitration (if any); decision on judgment enforcement of competent authorities as per the law (if any) which specify transfer of ownership of GHG emission quotas and carbon credits (in case the transfer of ownership is based on such judgments, decisions, or awards);

d) A copy accompanied by the original for comparison or certified true copies of written agreements of relevant organizations pertaining to transfer of ownership of GHG emission quotas and carbon credits (if any).

5. The Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee shall, within 2 working days from the date on which they receive application, inform applicants about legitimacy of the application. Where application is inadequate, applicants shall revise the application within 5 working days from the date on which they are informed.

6. Within 5 working days from the date of receiving adequate application, the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee shall review, update ownership on the National registry system, and issue result notice to applicants using Form No. 4 under Appendix I attached hereto.

In case of rejection, the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee shall send the application back to the applicants and state reason for rejection.”.

3. Replace Forms No. 01, 02, 03, and 04 in Appendix I attached to Circular No. 11/2026/TT-BNNMT with Forms No. 01, 02, 03, and 04 in Appendix II attached hereto.

Article 7. Annulment of Circular No. 17/2015/TT-BTNMT dated April 06, 2015 of the Minister of Natural Resources and Environment providing for the formulation and implementation of projects under the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM) within the Vietnam-Japan cooperation framework.

Chapter IV

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Article 8. Amendments to some articles of Circular No. 04/2018/TT-BNNPTNT dated May 03, 2018 of the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development on criteria, process and procedures for technological advances recognition in agriculture<0}

1. Annul Article 3.

2. Amend Article 5:

“Article 5. Applications, receipt, inspection, appraisal, and recognition of technological advances

1. Applications

Organizations or individuals wishing to register for recognition of a technical advance (hereinafter referred to as "applicant”) shall submit 01 application to the competent authority prescribed in Clause 2 of this Article, either in person, online via the National Public Service Portal, or via postal services. The application includes:

a) A written request for recognition of the technical advance made using Form No. 1 attached hereto;

b) A research result report of the technical advance made using Form No. 2 attached hereto;

c) Written reviews on the application of the technical advance in production from at least 03 organizations or individuals made using Form No. 3 attached hereto. Reviews by individuals must be certified by their employer or local authority where they reside or work.

2. Competent authorities handling administrative procedures for recognition::

a) Specialized departments affiliated to the Ministry of Agriculture and Environment (for technical advances applied within at least 02 provinces/central-affiliated cities)

b) Specialized agencies assigned by the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee (for technical advances applied within 01 province).

3. Receipt and inspection of application:

Within 03 working days from the date of receipt, the competent authority shall inspect the application and notify the applicant in writing of: acceptance; request for supplement/ completion; or refusal if invalid. The time for supplement/completion shall not be included in the appraisal duration.

4. Appraisal of application

a) Within 05 working days from the date of receipt of a satisfactory application, the competent authority shall establish an advisory council for evaluation and appraisal of the technical advance (hereinafter referred to as "Council") The composition, methods, and procedures for appraisal of the Council shall comply with Article 6 of this Circular;

b) Within 07 working days from the date of signing the Decision on Council establishment, the competent authority shall organize an appraisal meeting for recognition of technical advances;

c) Within 03 working days from the date of the meeting, the competent authority shall notify the applicant in writing of the meeting results and any contents requiring completion (if any);

d) Within 30 working days from the date of receipt, the applicant shall complete the application and submit it to the competent authority. If the applicant fails to complete the application within the prescribed time limit, the competent authority shall cancel the application.

5. Recognition of technical advances:

a) Within 05 working days from the date of receipt of a completed application (if any), the competent authority shall review and issue a Decision on recognition of the technical advance made using Form No. 8 attached hereto;

b) Within 03 working days from the date of issuance, the competent authority shall publish the Decision on its website.".

3. Replace Form No. 8 attached to Circular No. 04/2018/TT-BNNPTNT with Form No. 8 in Appendix III attached hereto.

Article 9. Annulment of some Circulars

1. Annul Circular No. 01/2021/TT-BNNPTNT dated March 18, 2021.

2. Annul Circular No. 17/2016/TT-BNNPTNT dated June 24, 2016 and Circular No. 10/2024/ TT-BNNPTNT dated July 29, 2024.

3. Annul Circular No. 43/2025/TT-BNNMT dated July 16, 2025.

Chapter V

INTEGRATED MANAGEMENT OF MARINE AND ISLAND RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

Article 10. Amendments, supplements, and annulments of articles of Circular No. 20/2016/ TT-BTNMT dated August 25, 2016 of the Minister of Natural Resources and Environment on the construction, exploitation, and use of the database on marine and island resources and environment, as amended and supplemented by Circular No. 23/2023/TT-BTNMT

1. Amend Article 11:

"Article 11. Principles for exploitation and use of the database on marine and island resources and environment

1. It must serve state management promptly; meet socio-economic development requirements; and ensure national defense and security

2. Data provided for exploitation and use must be complete, accurate, and in accordance with the requested time limit and content.

3. Exploitation and use of the database must ensure the correct purposes and efficiency

4. Exploitation and use of the database must comply with regulations on state secret protection.

5. Exploitation and use of the database shall be performed in accordance with the Law on Access to Information; users must pay exploitation and usage fees as prescribed by the Ministry of Finance.

Where the database is exploited and used in the form of contract, it must be executed upon an agreement between the database management authority and the user in accordance with civil law and relevant legal regulations.".

2. Annul Article 12, Article 13, and Article 14.

Chapter VI

ANIMAL PRODUCTION AND VETERINARY

Article 11. Amendments to some articles of Circular No. 94/2025/TT-BNNMT dated December 31, 2025 of the Minister of Agriculture and Environment promulgating a Circular elaborating on several Articles of the Law on Animal Husbandry

1. Amendments to Clause 2 Article 9:

"2. Procedures:

Organizations or individuals exporting or internationally exchanging livestock breeds or livestock breed products on the List of livestock breeds banned from export for scientific research, exhibition, or advertising purposes shall submit 01 application to the Department of Animal Health and Production in person, online via the National Public Service Portal, or via postal services.

The Department of Animal Health and Production shall immediately verify the completeness of the application for in-person submissions, or provide a written response within 01 working day from the date of receipt for online or postal submissions.

Within 09 working days from the date of receipt of a complete and valid application, the Department of Animal Health and Production shall review and decide on the export or international exchange of the livestock breeds or livestock breed products on the List of livestock breeds banned from export for scientific research, exhibition, or advertising purposes in writing; in case of refusal, an written explanation must be provided.".

2. Amendments to Article 11:

"Article 11. Sequence and procedures for testing of animal strains and breeds

1. Appraisal and approval of a testing proposal

a) An organization/individual wishing for animal strain or breed testing shall conduct the testing themselves in accordance with relevant national standards and shall be held accountable for the testing results. In the absence of national standards, the testing shall comply with regulations of competent authorities or instructions provided by the supplier of the tested livestock breeds

The organizations or individuals shall notify the testing to the authority assigned by the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee to manage the animal health and production at the province where the testing is conducted, using Form No. 06 in Appendix I attached hereto.

Before conducting the testing, the organizations or individuals shall formulate a testing outline using Form No. 07a in Appendix I and a livestock production process using Form No. 07b in Appendix I attached hereto;

b) The authority assigned by the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee to manage animal health and production shall receive the testing notification from the organizations or individuals and conduct at least 01 inspection during the testing process to monitor compliance with testing regulations.

2. Recognition of testing results of animal strains and breeds

a) The application consists of:

An application for recognition of animal strain or breed testing results made Form No. 10 in the Appendix I hereto;

A testing result report, which is made using the Form No. 09 in the Appendix I hereto;

Other relevant documents: testing outline, animal production process, dossier on origin of the animal strain or breed subject to testing, technical monitoring records;

b) Procedures:

The applicant for recognition of animal strain or breed testing results shall submit 01 application prescribed in Point a of this Clause to the assigned authority in person, online via the National Public Service Portal, or via postal services.

The assigned authority shall immediately verify the completeness of the application for in-person submissions, or provide a written response within 01 working day from the date of receipt for online or postal submissions.

Within 07 working days from the date of receipt of a satisfactory application, the assigned authority shall establish a Council for evaluation of animal strain or breed testing results. The composition of the Council includes: representatives from relevant agencies/units and specialized experts.

Within 02 working days from the date of receipt of the completed application in accordance with the opinions of the Council, the assigned authority shall review and issue a Decision recognition of animal strain or breed testing results, which is made using Form No. 11 in Appendix I attached hereto; in cases of non-recognition, the assigned authority shall provide a written explanation."

3. Amendments to Clauses 2 and 3 Article 12:

"2. For a new animal strain or breed of which the testing results have been recognized

The applicant shall submit an application for recognition of new animal strain or breed to the authority assigned by the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee to handle administrative procedures in the field of animal health and production according to the Form No. 12 in the Appendix I hereto.

After receiving the application, the assigned authority shall, within 05 working days, submit it to the Minister of Agriculture and Environment for recognition of the new animal strain or breed in accordance with Form No. 15 in the Appendix I hereto; in cases of refusal, a written explanation shall be provided.

3. For a new animal strain or breed which is sourced from the outcome of research and breeding by an organization or individual

a) An application consists of:

An application for recognition of the new animal strain or breed, which is made using the Form No. 12 in the Appendix I hereto;

An explanation for the research and breeding of the animal strain or breed by the organization or individual, which is made in accordance with the Form No. 13 in the Appendix I hereto;

Husbandry Process in accordance with the Form No. 07b in the Appendix I hereto;

A report on outcomes of research and breeding of the new animal strain or breed by the organization or individual, which is made according to the Form No. 14 in the Appendix hereto;

b) Procedures:

The applicant for recognition of new animal strain or breed testing results shall submit 01 application prescribed in Point a of this Clause to the Department of Animal Health and Production in person, online via the National Public Service Portal, or via postal services.

The Department of Animal Health and Production shall immediately verify the adequacy of the application for in-person submissions, or provide a written response within 01 working day from the date of receipt for online or postal submissions.

Within 10 working days from the date of receipt of a valid application, the Department of Animal Health and Production shall establish a council for assessment of science and technology task performance by the organization or individual to recognize the new animal strain or breed. The composition of the Council includes: representatives of the Department of Animal Health and Production, Department of Science and Technology, related agencies and units and specialized experts.

Within 04 working days from the date of receipt of the application completed following the opinions of the council, the Department of Animal Health and Production shall consider and submit it to the Minister of Agriculture and Environment for recognition of the new animal strain or breed in accordance with Form No. 15 in the Appendix I hereto; in case of refusal, a written explanation shall be provided.".

4. Amendments to Clause 3 Article 13:

"3. Time of testing

Time of testing shall be specific to each type of animal feed and purpose of animal feed testing, and be presented in an animal feed testing proposal made using Feed Testing Outline using Form No. 08.TACN in Appendix I attached to the Decree No. 13/2020/ND-CP.".

5. Amendments to Article 14:

“Article 14. Sequence and procedures for registering testing of animal feed and recognizing animal feed testing results

1. Registration of animal feed testing

a) An organization/individual wishing for animal feed testing shall conduct the testing themselves in accordance with relevant national standards and shall be held accountable for the testing results. In the absence of national standards, the testing shall comply with regulations of competent authorities or instructions provided by the supplier of the tested animal feeds;

The organization/individual shall notify the testing to the authority assigned by the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee to manage the livestock production and animal health at the province where the testing is conducted, using Form No. 01 in Appendix III attached hereto.

Before conducting the testing, the organizations or individuals shall formulate a testing outline using Form No. 08a in Appendix I attached to Decree No. 13/2020/ND-CP and a livestock production process using Form No. 07b in Appendix I attached hereto;

b) The authority assigned by the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee to manage livestock production and animal health shall receive the testing notification from the organizations or individuals and conduct at least 01 inspection during the testing process to monitor compliance with testing regulations.

2. Recognition of animal feed testing results

a) An application consists of:

An application for recognition of animal feed testing results, which is made according to the Form No. 02 in the Appendix III hereto; a report on animal feed testing results, which is made according to the Form No. 03 in the Appendix III hereto;

b) Procedures:

The applicant for recognition of animal feed testing results shall submit 01 application to the authority assigned by the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee to manage livestock production and animal health in person, online via the National Public Service Portal, or via postal services.

The assigned authority shall immediately verify the completeness of the application for in-person submissions, or provide a written response within 01 working day from the date of receipt for online or postal submissions.

Within 07 working days from the date of receipt of a satisfactory application, the assigned authority shall establish a Council for evaluation of animal feed testing results. The council shall

be composed of: representatives of the assigned authority, related agencies and units and specialized experts.

Within 03 working days from the date of receipt of the completed application in accordance with the opinions of the Council, the assigned authority shall review and issue a Decision recognition of animal feed testing results, which is made using Form No. 04 in Appendix I attached hereto; in cases of non-recognition, the assigned authority shall provide a written explanation.

Recognized testing results shall serve as the basis for inclusion in the list of raw materials permitted for use as animal feed.".

6. Annul Form No. 08 in Appendix I.

7. Replace Forms No. 06, 07a, 07b, 09, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 in Appendix I attached to Circular No. 94/2025/TT-BNNMT with Forms No. 06, 07a, 07b, 09, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 in Part A of Appendix IV attached hereto; replace Appendix III attached to Circular No. 94/2025/ TT-BNNMT with Appendix III in Part B of Appendix IV attached hereto.

Article 12. Amendments to some articles of Circular No. 66/2025/TT-BNNMT dated November 21, 2025 of the Minister of Agriculture and Environment on farming of other animals on the list of other animals permitted for farming and the traceability of animal products

1. Amendments to Clause 3 and Clause 4 of Article 4:

"3. The authority assigned by the Chairperson the Provincial-level People's Committee to handle administrative procedures shall receive the Notifications of animal farming plans, management plans, and risk control plans for black soldier fly or scorpion farming establishments within the province.

4. Receipt of Notifications of animal farming plans, management plans, and risk control plans for black soldier fly or scorpion farming activities:

a) The assigned authority shall receive the Notifications of animal farming plans, management plans, and risk control plans for black soldier fly or scorpion farming establishments in person, online via the National Public Service Portal, or via postal services;

b) Within 01 working day from the date of receipt of the Notification, the assigned authority shall publish the animal farming plan, management plan, and risk control plan for black soldier fly or scorpion farming activities on its website.".

2. Amendments to some clauses of Article 7:

a) Amend and supplement Point a and Point b of Clause 3:

“3. Issuance of ID number for animal farming establishments

a) For declarations prescribed in point b Clause 2 of this Article, the national livestock database system shall automatically issue an ID number to the establishment immediately upon completion of the animal farming activity declaration on the national livestock database system

b) For declarations prescribed in point c Clause 2 of this Article, the National Livestock Database System shall automatically issue an ID number to the establishment within 01 working day from the completion of the declaration on the System, based on the verification, comparison, and confirmation of information by the authority assigned by the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee to handle administrative procedures on the System.”

b) Amend to Clause 4:

“4. The National Livestock Database System shall automatically revoke the ID number of a animal farming establishment and send a notification to the email address of the organization or individual, based on the verification and confirmation of information by the assigned authority in the following cases:

a) The farming organization or individual notifies the suspension of the use of the ID number on the National Livestock Database System;

b) The organization or individual fails to satisfy the animal farming conditions prescribed in the Law on animal production and its guiding documents at the time of inspection or supervision, or its inspection and supervision results are not inconsistent with the information on the National Livestock Database System.”.

c) Amend to Clause 5:

“5. Re-issuance of the ID number for livestock farming establishments in case prescribed in Point b Clause 4 of this Article.

Within 06 months from the time of ID number revocation, the organization or individual shall take acts to rectify and submit a report on the National Livestock Database System.

The National Livestock Database System shall automatically re-issue the ID number of an animal farming establishment and send a notification to the email address of the organization or individual, based on the verification and confirmation of information by the assigned authority; in case of refusal, an explanation must be provided.".

Article 13. Amendments to some articles of Circular No. 24/2022/TT-BNNPTNT dated December 30, 2022 of the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development on disease-free animal establishments and zones, as amended and supplemented by Circular No. 09/2025/ TT-BNNMT and Circular No. 20/2026/TT-BNNMT

1. Amendments to Article 3:

“Article 3. Authorities appraising and issuing Certificates of disease-free animal establishments and zones

1. The Department of Animal Health and Production shall appraise and issue Certificates of disease-free animal establishments and zones in the following cases:

a) Provincial-level disease-free zones;

b) Disease-free animal establishments and zones at the request of the importing country or for export purposes where the importing country requires appraisal and certification by a competent central authority.

2. The specialized agencies assigned by the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee shall appraise and issue Certificates of disease-free animal establishments and zones, except for the cases prescribed in Clause 1 of this Article.

3. The authorities apprising and issuing certificates specified in Clauses 1 and 2 of this Article are hereinafter collectively referred to as the licensing authority.”.

2. Amendments to Clause 2 Article 9:

“2. The Department of Animal Health and Production shall guide establishments and zones to implement disease-free recognition criteria at the request of importing countries.”.

3. Amendments to Article 14:

“Article 14. Receipt and processing of applications for recognition of disease-free animal establishments

1. Within 04 days from the date of receiving an application, the licensing authority shall receive and appraise the application. If the application is satisfactory, the licensing authority shall send a notice of on-site assessment plan to the establishment owner. If the application is unsatisfactory, a written request to complete the application shall be provided.

2. For the case prescribed in Clause 3 of Article 13 of this Circular, within 03 days from the date of receiving an application, the licensing authority shall receive and appraise the application. If the application is satisfactory, the licensing authority shall issue a Certificate of disease-free animal establishment in accordance with regulations. If the application is unsatisfactory, a written request to complete the application shall be sent.

4. Amendments to Clause 1 Article 15:

“1. Within 03 days from the date of receiving appraisal results, the licensing authority shall establish an assessment team to conduct the on-site assessment in accordance with Article 16 of this Circular.”.

5. Amendments to Clause 2 Article 17:

“2. The Certificate of disease-free establishment or zone shall be made using Form No. 07.DT in Appendix XII attached hereto or as requested by the importing country.”.

6. Amendments to Clauses 1 and 2 Article 19:

"1. The licensing authority shall re-issue the Certificate of disease-free animal establishment in the following cases:

a) The establishment has a Certificate that expires as prescribed in point a Clause 2 Article 18 hereof;

b) The establishment changes or supplements to its information on the Certificate;

c) The establishment prescribed in Points d and dd Clause 2 of Article 18 hereof has taken acts to rectify and maintain disease-free conditions;

d) The establishment prescribed in Point c Clause 2 of Article 18 of this Circular has handled the disease outbreak in accordance with regulations and conducted disease surveillance in accordance with Article 6 of this Circular.

2. Procedures for re-issuance of the Certificate of disease-free animal establishment

a) The establishment owner applying for re-issuance of the Certificate of disease-free animal establishment shall submit 01 application to the licensing authority in person, online via the National Public Service Portal, or via postal services. For applicants falling under the case prescribed in point a Clause 2 of Article 18 of this Circular, the application must be submitted within 03 months prior to the expiration of the Certificate;

b) The application for re-issuance consists of: An application form made using the form in Appendix I attached hereto, a report on correction and remedy (for establishments prescribed in Point c Clause 1 of this Article), and a disease outbreak handling and surveillance result report (for establishments prescribed in Point d Clause 1 of this Article);

c) Within 03 working days from the date of receiving the application, based on annual periodic assessment results or the report on correction and remedy (for cases in Point c Clause 1 of this Article) or the disease outbreak handling and surveillance result report (for cases in Point d Clause 1 of this Article), the licensing authority shall appraise and re-issue the Certificate to the establishment. In case of refusal, a written explanation shall be provided.”

7. Amendments to Article 27:

“Article 27. Receipt and processing of applications for recognition of disease-free animal zones

1. Within 04 days from the date of receiving an application, the licensing authority shall receive and appraise the application. If the application is satisfactory, the licensing authority shall send a notice of on-site assessment plan to the People's Committee. If the application is unsatisfactory, a written request to complete the application shall be sent.

2. For the case prescribed in Clause 3 of Article 26 of this Circular, within 03 days from the date of receiving an application, the licensing authority shall receive and appraise the application. If the application is satisfactory, the licensing authority shall issue a Certificate of disease-free animal zone in accordance with regulations. If the application is unsatisfactory, a written request to complete the application shall be sent.

8. Amendments to Clause 1 Article 28:

“1. Within 04 days from the date of receiving appraisal results, the licensing authority shall establish an assessment team to conduct the on-site assessment in accordance with Article 29 of this Circular.”.

9. Amendments to Clause 1 Article 30:

“1. Within 05 days from the date of concluding the assessment of the zone or from the date of receiving disease testing results in accordance with Clause 4 Article 29 of this Circular.".

10. Replace the phrase “Cơ quan cấp giấy thuộc Sở Nông nghiệp và Môi trường” (“The licensing authority of the Department of Agriculture and Environment”) with the phrase “Cơ quan cấp giấy được Chủ tịch Ủy ban nhân dân cấp tỉnh giao” ("The licensing authority assigned by the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee") in the title of Article 36.

11. Replace Form No. 07.DT in Appendix XII attached to Circular No. 24/2022/TT-BNNPTNT, which was previously replaced by Form No. 07.DT in Appendix II attached to Circular No. 09/2025/TT-BNNMT, with Form No. 07.DT in Part C of Appendix IV attached hereto.

Article 14. Amendments and annulments of some articles of Circular No. 13/2016/TT-BNNPTNT dated June 02, 2016 of the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development on veterinary drug management, as amended by Circular No. 18/2018/TT-BNNPTNT, Circular No. 13/2022/TT-BNNPTNT, Circular No. 09/2024/TT-BNNPTNT, Circular No. 09/2025/TT-BNNMT, and Circular No. 15/2026/TT-BNNMT

1. Amend some points and clauses of Article 3:

a) Annul point dd Clause 1, point dd Clause 3, point h Clause 4, point dd Clause 5, point g Clause 6, point dd Clause 7;

a) Amend Point a Clause 2:

"a) The contents prescribed in point a, b, c, d, e, k, m, o, p Clause 1 of this Article;".

2. Amend Clause 3 Article 8:

"3. Time limit for response:

a) Within 07 days from the date of receiving an application, the Department of Animal Production and Health shall notify the applicant to complete the application if it fails to meet the requirements;

b) The Department of Animal Production and Health shall appraise the application and respond with the results within: 10 days from the date of receiving a satisfactory application for manufacturing for export, processing, or repacking/subdivision: 30 days from the date of receiving a satisfactory application for testing-exempt drugs or diagnostic biological products; 75 days from the date of receiving a satisfactory application for new drugs, vaccines, antibodies, or herbal medicines.".

3. Amend point b Clause 3 Article 9:

"b) For the re-issuance of the veterinary drug marketing authorization prescribed in points b and c Clause 1 of this Article: within 05 working days from the date of receiving a satisfactory application, the Department of Animal Production and Health shall appraise the application and re-issue the marketing authorization if requirements are met; in case of refusal, a written explanation shall be provided.".

4. Amend to some points and clauses of Article 10:

a) Amend Point b Clause 1:

"b) GMP Certificate or a document issued by a competent state authority of the manufacturing country confirming compliance with GMP standards, or a Quality Management System (ISO) Certificate for imported chemicals and biological products (except for vaccines, antibodies, and test kits); a certificate or document issued by a competent authority of the manufacturing or exporting country confirming that the product is permitted for marketing or use in that country, or a certificate or document issued by a competent state authority of another country confirming that the product is permitted for marketing or use in that country for products not yet granted for marketing or use in the manufacturing country (for imported veterinary drugs); a GMP Certificate or a Certificate of eligibility for veterinary drug manufacture (for domestically manufactured veterinary drugs);";

b) Amend Clause 2:

"2. Within 05 working days from the date of receiving a satisfactory application, the Department of Animal Production and Health shall appraise the application and extend the marketing authorization if requirements are met; in case of refusal, a written explanation shall be provided.".

5. Annul Article 4, Article 5, Point dd Clause 7, point b Clause 8 Article 22.

Article 15. Amendments to some articles of Circular No. 01/2026/TT-BNNMT dated January 1, 2026 of the Minister of Agriculture and Environment on terrestrial animal and animal product quarantine

1. Amend point d Clause 1 Article 14:

"d) For animals subject to sampling and testing: Within 01 working day from the date of obtaining the testing results, the border animal quarantine authority shall issue the import animal quarantine certificate according to Form 15a in Appendix V attached hereto; provided that the application is complete and valid and veterinary hygiene requirements are met, including: animals are healthy and vaccinated in accordance with regulations; and the testing results are negative for pathogens."

2. Amend point b Clause 3 Article 19:

"b) Within 01 working day from the date of conducting quarantine, the border animal quarantine authority shall issue a quarantine certificate for animals under temporary import for re-export, transshipment, or transit through the territory of Vietnam according to Form 16a, or quarantine certificate for animal products under temporary import for re-export, transshipment, or transit through the territory of Vietnam according to Form 16b in Appendix V attached hereto, except for cases specified in Clause 6 of this Article;

The border animal quarantine authority shall notify the border animal quarantine authority at the export border gate immediately after issuing the quarantine certificate;

In case the quarantine certificate is not issued, the quarantine authority shall reply to the consignment owner in writing or via the National Single Window Portal or the public service portal or email and clearly state the reasons;".

Article 16. Annulment of some articles, clauses, and points of Circulars

1. Annul Clause 4, Clause 5, Point b of Clause 6, Clause 7, Clause 9, and Clause 10 of Article 26 of Circular No. 09/2025/TT-BNNMT.

2. Annul Clause 1 of Article 1 of Circular No. 20/2026/TT-BNNMT.

Chapter VII

ENVIRONMENT

Article 17. Form No. 04 in Appendix II attached to Circular No. 02/2022/TT-BTNMT, as amended by Circular No. 09/2026/TT-BNNMT, is replaced with Form No. 04 in Appendix V attached hereto.

Chapter VIII

IMPLEMENTATION PROVISIONS

Article 18. Transition clauses

1. Applications and administrative procedures accepted before the effective date of this Circular shall continue to be processed in accordance with the regulations applicable at the time of receipt.

2. For applications for administrative procedures that have been discontinued under this Circular, which were received by competent authorities or had a postal stamp before the effective date of this Circular, the processing of such administrative procedures shall be ceased, and the application shall be returned to the applicants upon request.

3. Documents and papers issued or granted by competent authorities or persons before the effective date of this Circular which have not expired shall continue to be applied and used in accordance with law until their expiration.

4. The specialized agency assigned by the Chairperson of the Provincial-level People's Committee to appraise and issue disease-free certificates shall receive and manage the zones and establishments that were certified as disease-free by the Department of Animal Production and Health or the Department of Fisheries and Fisheries Surveillance before the effective date of this Circular, except where the importing country requires direct management by the Department of Animal Production and Health.

5. Environmental tasks approved in accordance with Circular No. 17/2016/TT-BNNPTNT, as amended by Circular No. 10/2024/TT-BNNPTNT, shall continue to be implemented until completion.

Article 19. Effect

1. This Circular comes into force from May 19, 2026, except for the cases prescribed in Clauses 2, 3, and 4 of this Article.

2. Article 2 and Article 3 of this Circular come into force from September 01, 2026.

3. Article 6 of this Circular comes into force from August 01, 2026.

4. The regulations on delegation of administrative procedures to the Chairpersons of the Provincial-level People's Committees as prescribed in Clause 1 Article 1, Clause 2 and Clause 3 Article 8, Clause 2 and Clause 5 Article 11, Article 12, and Article 13 come into force from July 01, 2026.

5. The specialized units under the Ministry of Agriculture and Environment shall provide guidance to Chairpersons of the Provincial-level People's Committees to perform the administrative procedures in accordance with this Circular; and hand over to the Chairpersons of the Provincial-level People's Committees the applications received and processed by the Ministry before regulations on delegation of administrative procedures of this Circular take effect.

6. Heads of agencies and units, cadres, public servants, and public employees participating in the formulation and issuance of this Circular shall be exempted from, or have their liability reduced in accordance with Clause 11 of Article 68 of the Law on Promulgation of Legislative Documents No. 64/2025/QH15, as amended and supplemented by Law No. 87/2025/QH15.

7. Should any difficulties arise during the implementation, relevant agencies, organizations, and individuals shall report them to the Ministry of Agriculture and Environment for consideration and decision./.

PP. MINISTER
DEPUTY MINISTER

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