



**SCREENING CHAPTER 12
FOOD SAFETY, VETERINARY AND PHYTOSANITARY POLICIES**

**AGENDA ITEM 11: IMPORT REQUIREMENTS
FOR LIVE ANIMALS
AND
ANIMAL PRODUCTS**

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I. LEGAL BASIS, COMPETENT AUTHORITY AND BASIC RULES IN ESTABLISHING IMPORT REQUIREMENTS



Legal Basis

- Law No. 3285 on Animal Health Control
- Law No. 1380 on Fisheries
- Implementing Regulation on Fisheries
- Implementing Regulation on Animal Health Control

Competent Authority

The health and other technical requirements for import of live animals and animal products are defined by Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs (MARA)



Basic Rules in Establishing Import Requirements

- OIE rules and relevant EU legislation are taken into account in establishing import requirements (health conditions and certificates) for live animals and animal products



II. BOVINE ANIMALS



- Imported country must not be in the list of countries from which import is banned
 - ✓ The imported country should be in GBR level I and II

Health Status of the Imported Country

- Imported country has to be recognized as a country free from Foot-and-mouth disease (FMD), Rinderpest, contagious bovine pleuropneumonia, heartwater
- Region of origin of the cattle to be imported has to be officially free from vesicular stomatitis, Bluetongue disease, bovine tuberculosis, bovine brucellosis and bovine herpes virus (BHV) for at least twelve months



Health Status of the Herd of Origin

- The cattle to be imported must originate from farms which have been free of clinical symptoms of Enzootic Bovine Leucosis (EBL), Trichomoniasis, Vibriofetus, Leptospirosis, IBR/IPV, Bovine Viral Diarrhoea/Mucosal Disease (BVD/MD), Paratuberculosis, Neosporosis and Para Influenza-3 (PI3) for the last 12 months.



Required Tests with Negative Results

- IBR within 60 days prior to import
- Johne's Disease
- Leptospirosis within 45 days prior to import
- Trichomoniasis and Campylobacteriosis (Vibriosis) within 45 days prior to import
- Enzootic Bovine Leucosis (EBL) within 30 days prior to import
- Bluetongue
- Bovine Viral Diarrhoea (BVD)



III. OVINE AND CAPRINE ANIMALS



- Imported country must not be in the list of countries from which import is banned
 - ✓ Imported country should be in GBR level I and II

Health Status of the Imported Country

- Imported country has to be recognized as a country free from
 - ✓ Foot-and-Mouth Disease (FMD)
 - ✓ Peste des petits ruminants
 - ✓ Vesicular stomatitis
 - ✓ Lumpy skin disease
 - ✓ Rift Valley fever



Health Status of the Herd and Region of Origin

- Ovine and caprine animals to be imported must
 - ✓ originate from herds which are free of brucellosis, tuberculosis, paratuberculosis, anthrax, Q fever, leptospirosis, contagious agalactiae, enzootic abortion, scrapie, vibrio foetus, salmonellosis (*S. abortus ovis*), pseudotuberculosis, chlamidiosis, maedi-visna, bluetongue, sheep and goat pox, and pulmoner adenomatosis

or

- ✓ come from regions where there has been no outbreaks of these diseases during the last 12 months



Required Tests with Negative Results

- *Brucella ovis* Infection
- Tuberculosis
- Johne's Disease
- Leptospirosis
- Campylobacteriosis



IV. REGISTERED HORSES AND HORSES FOR BREEDING AND PRODUCTION



Health Status of the Imported Country (I)

- Imported country has to be recognized as free from the compulsorily notifiable diseases listed below:
 - ✓ African horse sickness
 - ✓ Dourine
 - ✓ Glanders
 - ✓ Equine encephalomyelitis(of all types including VEE)
 - ✓ Infectious anaemia
 - ✓ Vesicular stomatitis
 - ✓ Rabies
 - ✓ Anthrax



Health Status of the Imported Country (II)

- No occurrence of Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis within the last 2 years
- No occurrence of Dourine and Glanders within the last 6 months
- No occurrence of vesicular stomatitis within the last 6 months or presentation of tests with negative results carried out 21 days before import



Required Tests with Negative Results

During 21 days period prior to import

- Coggins test for infectious anaemia
- Complement fixation test for Dourine at a dilution of 1 in 10,
- Complement fixation test for Glanders at a dilution of 1 in 10
- A suitable test for Contagious equine metritis (CEM)
- Complement fixation or an indirect fluorescent antibody (IFA) or ELISA test for Equine piroplasmiasis,
- An approved test for *Salmonella abortus equi*



V. HATCHING EGGS AND BREEDER CHICKS



- List of approved establishments in third countries (Directive 90/539/EEC) is used as reference

Health Status of the Region of Origin

- Free from Avian influenza and Newcastle diseases

Health Status of the Flock

- No outbreak of Avian Influenza and Newcastle disease for at least 30 days within a radius of 25 km
- Submission of a disease surveillance programme for *Salmonella spp.*



VI. FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS



Health Status of the Origin Establishment

No occurrence of following notifiable diseases for live fish, molluscs and bivalves within the last 6 months

- Infectious haematopoietic necrosis (IHN)
- Bonamiosis
- Marteilirosis
- Spring Viraemia of Carp (SVC)
- Viral Hemorrhagic Septicemia (VHS)
- Infectious Pancreatic Necrosis (IPN)
- Bacterial Kidney Disease (BKD)
- Crayfish Plague



VII. LIVE POULTRY FOR SLAUGHTERING, POULTRY MEAT, THEIR OFFAL AND EGGS



Health Status of the Imported Country

- Free from diseases mentioned in Article 4 of Law No. 3285 on Animal Health Control (i.e. Avian Influenza, Newcastle)

Health Status of the Region of Origin

- Free from Avian Infectious Bronchitis, Avian Tuberculosis, Marek Disease, Salmonella etc.



VIII. ANIMAL PRODUCTS



Processed Animal Products Intended for Human Consumption

- Competent authorities of the exporting country and/or the country of origin have to certify that the animals, from which the raw material used in animal products were obtained, are free from epidemic or contagious animal diseases.



Animal By-products not Intended Human Consumption

(Fresh or Chilled Hides and Skins of Ungulates, Wool and Casings)

- The country has to be free from rinderpest for at least 12 months before dispatch.
- The country or region has to be free from foot-and-mouth disease for at least 12 months before dispatch, or must have been subjected to an inactivation procedure for FMD.

For casings to be imported, imported country must not be in the list of countries from which import is banned



IX. SEMEN, OVA AND EMBRYOS



- Health requirements laid down in Council Directive 88/407 are applied in the import of semen of bovine animals.
- Health requirements have not been harmonized with EU requirements in the import of embryos of bovine animals and semen, ova and embryos of ovine/caprine animals, equidae and porcine animals, due to deficiency in demand.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION