



# **Imports of gelatine, collagen and other highly refined products**

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# Two draft regulations currently under discussion:

**(1) SANTE/10224/2015: COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) .../... of XXX**  
drawing up lists of third countries, parts of third countries and territories from which Member States are to authorise the introduction into the Union of certain products of animal origin intended for human consumption, laying down health certificates requirements, amending Regulation (EC) No 2074/2005 and repealing Decision 2003/812/EC

# Two draft regulations currently under discussion:

**(2) SANTE/10366/2015: COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) .../... of XXX**

amending Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the specific requirements for gelatine, collagen and highly refined products of animal origin intended for human consumption

# Background

Current legislation (Reg. 854/2004) requires that products of animal origin for which requirements are laid down in Annex III of Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 can be imported only if

- from a third country that appears on a list drawn up in accordance with that Regulation;
- from an establishment listed by the third country (FVO);
- if accompanied by a certificate attesting compliance with EU requirements.

Transitional measures apply if listing not completed yet. 4

# Background

- List of third countries and certificates should be drawn up for the raw materials of gelatine and collagen, and for **treated raw materials** for same
- List of third countries and certificates should be drawn up for certain other highly refined products of animal origin (HRPAO) for human consumption such as
  - **chondroitin sulphate,**
  - **chitosan,**
  - **glucosamine,**
  - **rennet,**
  - **isinglass,**
  - **amino acids**

# Purpose of revision

(a) to bring together existing lists of third countries and certificates into one single act for reasons of consistency and clarity;

(b) to introduce new lists of third countries allowed to import certain products into the EU when there is an obligation for such listing but it is not done yet:

- Collagen
- Treated raw materials for gelatine and collagen
- Certain highly refined products

## Purpose of revision

(c) to provide a single import certificate for animal health and public health attestation, while currently two separate certificates need to be used (raw materials for the production of collagen and gelatine);

(d) to introduce specific certificates for **treated** raw materials for the production of collagen and gelatine, and for certain highly refined products of animal origin, to avoid the current confusion on which certificate to use.

# Purpose of revision

(e) To ensure full compliance with EU requirements at import of certain highly refined products of animal origin such as chondroitin sulphate, chitosan, glucosamine, rennet, isinglass and certain amino acids, by listing of third countries and introducing a certificate;

- However this is only possible if specific requirements have been inserted in Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004.



## State of play

- Intra SANTE and Intra Service Consultations complete
- Technical agreement in Standing Committee (Biological Safety of the Food Chain), June 23
- SANTE SPS in process of submitting for comments to SPS committee
- Should be ready for final vote c. October / November 2015