

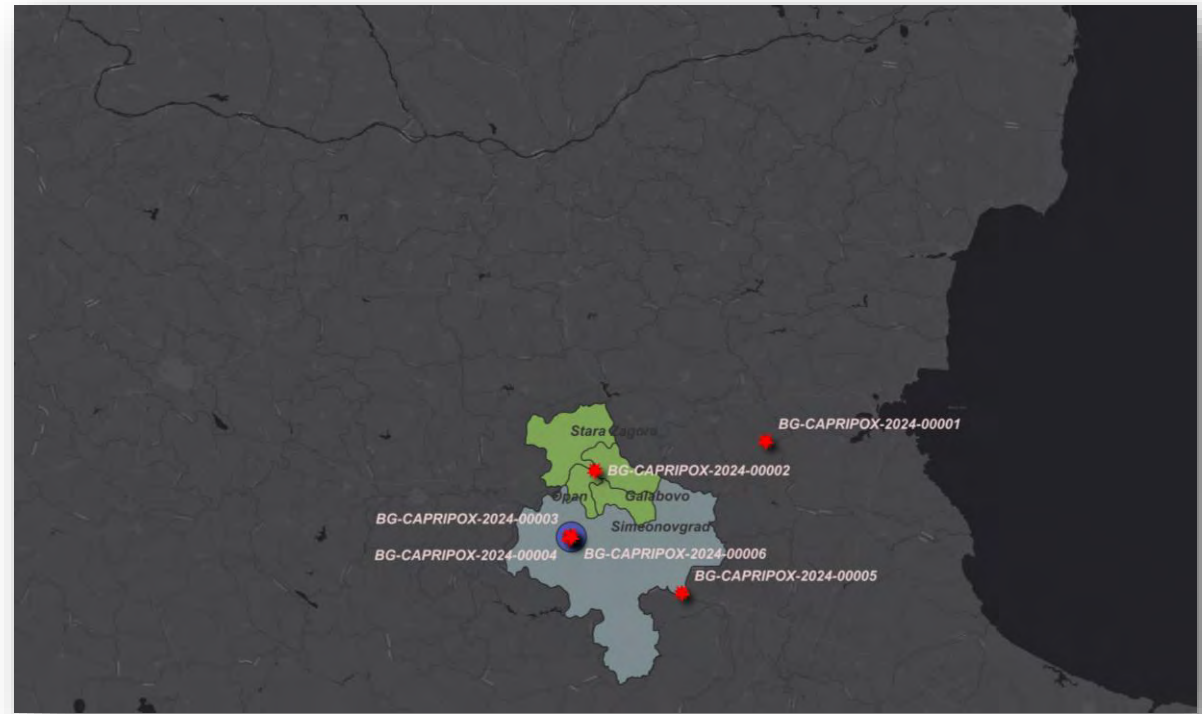
SHEEP AND GOAT POX – epidemiological situation in Bulgaria



SC PAFF, 18-19/11/2024

Overview of the situation

- **Six outbreaks** confirmed so far in 2024 since September.
- **Three regions** (four settlements) affected in the south part of the country as follows:
 - One (the first) outbreak in 2024 reported on 4th September in Voynika village, **Yambol** region, 145 sheep.
 - One outbreak in **Stara Zagora**, Svoboden village on 11 Oct, 394 sheep.
 - Four outbreaks in **Haskovo** region, three in Uzundzhovo village (on 16 Oct – 524 sheep, on 17 Oct – 313, on 11 Nov – 180), one in Kapitan Andreevo village on 08 Nov, 65 sheep and goats.



4th Sept – Voynika,
Yambol

11th Oct – Svoboden,
Stara Zagora

16th Oct –
Uzundzhovo, Haskovo
17th Oct –
Uzundzhovo, Haskovo

08th Nov – Kapitan
Andreevo, Haskovo
11th Nov – Uzundzov
Haskovo

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DEVELOPMENT SINCE THE LAST SCPAFF

Region of Haskovo

Location: Kapitan Andreevo village,
Svilengrad municipality

Suspicion: 07.11.2024 – clinical signs
and mortality

Confirmation: 08.11.2024

Culling and disposal: 09.11.2024



Region	Municipality	Village	Date of suspicion	Date of sampling	Date of confirmation	Type of samples	Affected animals	Census	Category
Haskovo	Svilengrad	Kapitan Andreevo	07.11.2024	07.11.2024	08.11.2024	blood	9	65	milk

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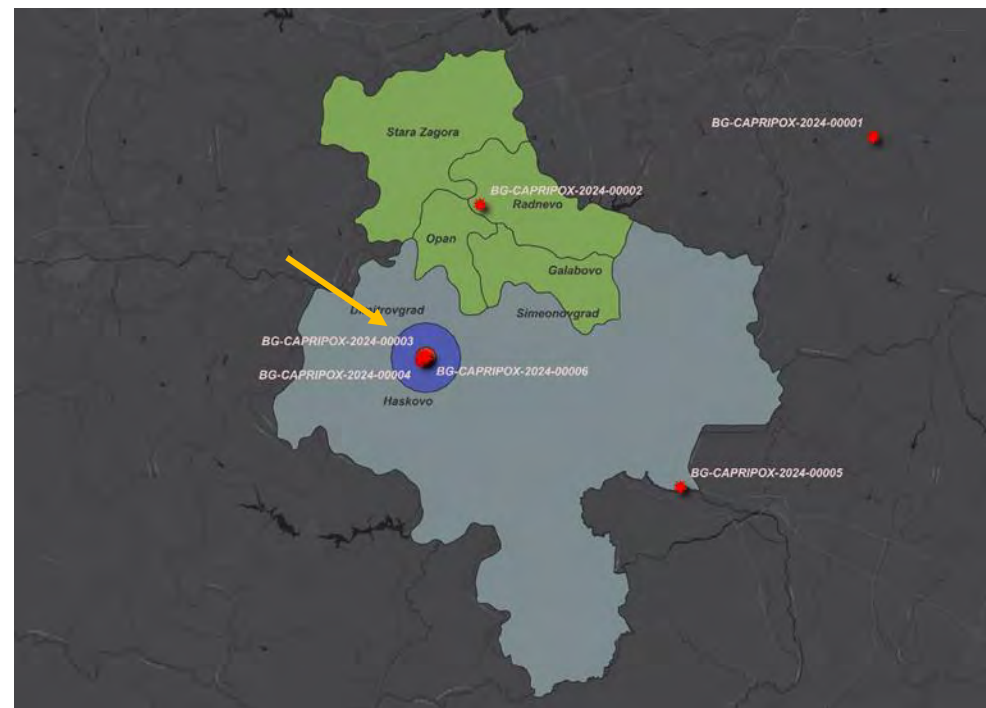
Region of Haskovo

Location: Uzundzhovo village, Haskovo municipality

Suspicion: 10.11.2024 – clinical signs and mortality

Confirmation: 11.11.2024

Culling and disposal: 12.11.2024



Region	Municipality	Village	Date of suspicion	Date of sampling	Date of confirmation	Type of samples	Affected animals	Census	Category
Haskovo	Haskovo	Uzundzhovo	10.11.2024	10.11.2024	11.11.2024	blood	10	180	milk

RESTRICTION ZONES AND SURVEILLANCE

- 3 km protection zone (PZ) and 10 km surveillance zone (SZ)

By 14 Nov 2024

Kapitan Andreevo, Haskovo - Restriction zones		No. of holdings	No. of small ruminants	No. of holdings checked	% holdings checked	No. of small ruminants examined	% SR examined	No. of sampled animals	% SR sampled
3 km		7	559	7	100	195	34.9	195	34.9
10 km		7	712	7	100	280	39.3	280	39.3
Uzundzhovo, Haskovo - restriction zones		No. of holdings	No. of small ruminants	No. of holdings checked	% holdings checked	No. of small ruminants examined	%SR examined	No. of sampled animals	% SR sampled
3 km		5	743	5*	100	422	56.80	422	56.80
10 km		52	6866	52*	100	1965	28.62	1660	24.18

By 14 Nov 2024

* Second and third round of clinical examinations/sampling have started

- additional zone covering the entire municipalities of Radnevo, Galabovo, Opan, Stara Zagora of Stara Zagora region and the entire Haskovo region

- Further restricted zones following the outbreaks in Uzundzhovo in Oct
- Further restricted zones after the outbreak in Kapitan Andreevo



MEASURES APPLIED IN THE AFFECTED HOLDINGS AND IN RESTRICTION ZONES

- Stamping out of all susceptible animals, present in the affected farm, and safe disposal of carcasses, followed by C&D procedures according to Reg. 2020/687.
- Epidemiological investigation to determine the source of infection.
- Census of all farms and susceptible animals in the restriction zones.
- Restrictions in relation to movement in restriction zones. Official controls on movements intended for immediate slaughter within the zone - after a clinical examination, temperature measurement and permission from an official veterinarian.
- Meat is subject of treatment in accordance with Annex VII of Reg 2020/687. Disposal of milk.
- Prohibition of fairs, markets and exhibitions (entire country), including grazing in restriction zones.
- Enhanced biosecurity and passive surveillance.
- Clinical examination and sampling (blood and swab samples).
- Enhanced passive surveillance and biosecurity, through awareness campaigns targeted to farmers and private veterinarians.
- A compensation for the farmers whose animals had been killed.

MEASURES IN THE FURTHER RESTRICTION ZONES

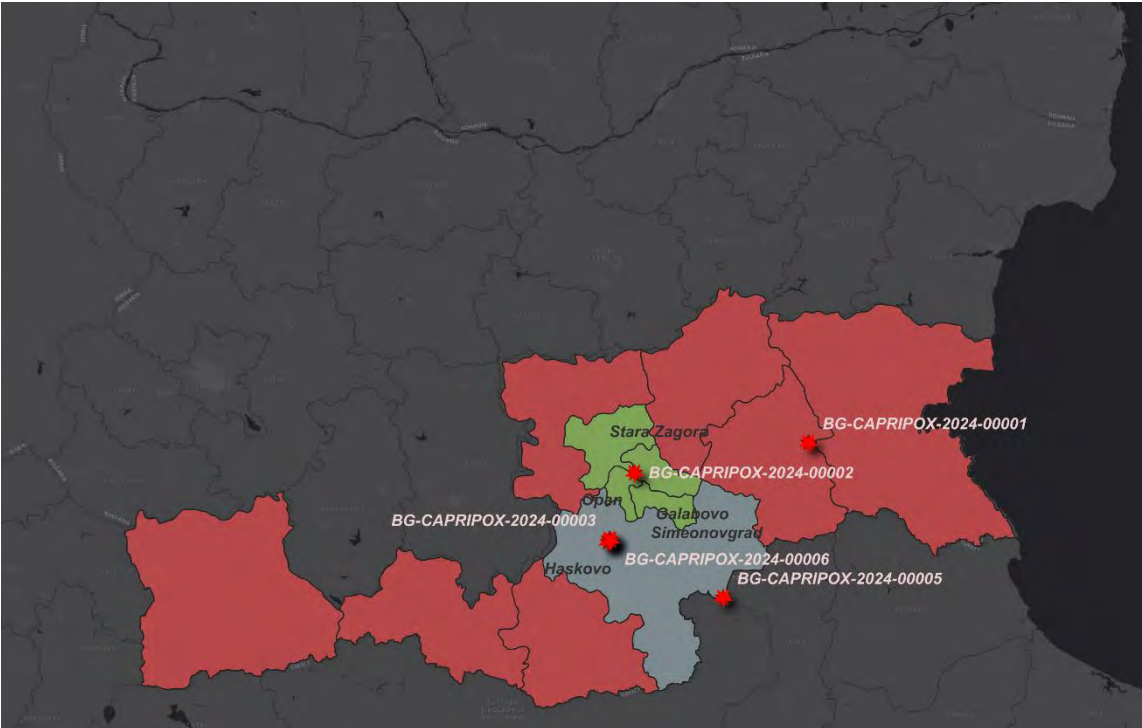
- Restrictions of trade, movement and transport of small ruminants, except for those subject to immediate slaughter following clinical examination and temperature measurement by an official veterinarian and transit consignments.
- Ban of markets and exhibitions of small ruminants.
- Cleaning and disinfection of the means of transport of the approved movements.
- Census of holdings and animals
- Clinical examinations on village level to detect 5% prevalence with LC 95%.
- Sampling of all suspect animals.



On 18 Oct 2024 the measures were expanded as follows:

NATIONAL MEASURES IN THE SOUTH REGIONS

- For the affected regions (Stara Zagora, Yambol):
 - ban of movement
 - ban of grazing
 - slaughter only within these regions, under official control – pre-movement clinical examination, pre-movement testing, pre-movement certificate issued by an official veterinarian, approval by the RFSD of destination.
- For all south bordering regions – possibility for movement for slaughter in a closest slaughterhouse or to another animal holding under the above-described conditions.
- Awareness campaigns
- Epi-commission meetings
- Increase of the biosecurity measures
- Sampling upon suspicion
- Movement control and inspections for illegal movement
- Information and cooperation with border police and custom services



■ *South bordering areas under national restriction measures*

Thank you!



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