

Animal Health Law – State of play

Animal Health Advisory Committee,

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DG Sante, Unit G2

AHL – Entry into application

- ✓ Regulation (EU) 2016/429 on transmissible animal diseases ('Animal Health Law') (AHL) and
- ✓ Delegated and implementing acts adopted on its basis
- ✓ Entered into application on 21 April 2021





Legislation updates in 2022

- **COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION** (EU) 2022/139 as regards **management**, storage and replacement of stocks of the Union antigen, vaccine and diagnostic reagent banks and the biosecurity, biosafety and biocontainment requirements for the operation of those banks
- COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2022/140 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards rules for EU antigen, vaccine and diagnostic banks
- **COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION** (EU) 2022/1345 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to registration of operators and establishments keeping terrestrial animals



Legislation updates 2022 - amendments

Amendments to:

- Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692: **CDR (EU) 2022/54** additional requirements for entry into the Union of certain ungulates following their participation in events, exhibitions, displays and shows
- Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1882: **CIR (EU) 2022/925** on categories of listed diseases and establishing a list of species and groups of species posing a considerable risk for the spread of those listed diseases

Regular amendments to:

- Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 on the list of third counties (over 35 in 2022)
- Implementing Regulations (EU) 2020/2235, 2020/2236 and 2021/403 on official certificates (over 15 in 2022)
- Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/620 on animal health statuses



Ongoing developments

- Revisiting ASF Implementing Regulation
- Amendments to:
 - Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/686 germinal products
 - Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/688 movements of terrestrial animals (main changes on captive birds)
 - Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687 disease control measures
 - Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692 animal health requirements for entry into the EU
 - followed by amendments to Implementing Regulations (EU) 2020/2235, 2020/2236 and 2021/403
 - Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/2002 on disease notification and reporting



Future planned developments (non exhaustive)

- Implementing Regulation on contingency plans and simulation exercises
- Amendments to Implementing Regulations (EU) 2020/2235, 2020/2236 and 2021/403
- Regular amendments to Implementing Regulations
 - official certificates
 - list of third countries
 - health statuses
- Adjustment of rules as needed following EFSA outcomes



IR contingency plans for animal diseases

- Based on Articles 44 and 45 of Regulation (EU) 2016/429,
- contingency plans are to provide instructions laying down the measures to be taken in the event of the occurrence of a major animal disease or emerging disease and should enable a rapid response in the Member States in the event of such outbreaks.
- This act will detail how these plans need to be prepared and reviewed. At the same time this act will provide the basis for simulation exercises since they are closely linked to contingency plans.
- Will be available for public feedback.
- Foreseen adoption date in Q2 2023.



Work with EFSA

- Scientific opinions from EFSA delivered based on the COM requests for
 - AMR related pathogens for possible listing under AHL
 - Disease control measures for category A diseases of terrestrial animals under the AHL
- COM requests to EFSA for
 - scientific opinion on vaccination against HPAI
 - scientific opinion on listing of vector species of aquatic animals under the AHL
 - scientific opinion on listing and categorisation of certain diseases of aquatic animals and the listing of aquatic species - (currently under national measures)

More information on AHL



More information on AHL available here:

https://ec.europa.eu/food/animals/animal-health/animal-health-law_en

Delegated and implementing acts under AHL:

https://ec.europa.eu/food/animals/animal-health/animal-health-law/delegated-and-implementing-acts_en

Information material in all EU languages:

https://ec.europa.eu/food/animals/animal-health/animal-health-law en#information-material





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