



Follow up on EP resolution of 25 February 2016 on the introduction of compatible systems for the registration of pet animals across Member States (B8-0251/2016)

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EP resolution of 25 February 2016

<http://www.europarl.europa.eu/sides/getDoc.do?type=TA&reference=P8-TA-2016-0065&language=EN&ring=B8-2016-0254>

- 1. Calls on the Commission upon the entry into force of the Regulation on Transmissible Animal Diseases**
 - to adopt a delegated act laying down rules pursuant to Articles 109 and 118 concerning detailed, compatible systems for the means and methods of identification and registration of dogs and cats;
 - to consider adopting delegated acts laying down rules pursuant to Articles 109 and 118 concerning detailed, compatible systems for the means and methods of identification and registration of pet animals (as defined by Annex I).
- 2. Urges the Commission to publish without delay the conclusions of the study on the welfare of dogs and cats involved in commercial practices.**

Operators' obligations arising from the application of Regulation (EU) 2016/429

- operators of establishments keeping dogs/cats shall
 - Article 84 - register their establishments
 - Article 102 - keep and update certain records
 - Article 117 - when required by delegated act adopted pursuant to Article 118, ensure that *dogs/cats* are identified and accompanied by identification documents when moved
- operators shall
 - Article 124(2)(a)(i) - only move or receive animals from registered establishments
 - Article 143 – when required by delegated act adopted pursuant to Article 144, only move to another Member State *dogs/cats* accompanied by animal health certificate issued by competent authority
- operators other than transporters shall
 - Articles 152 and 154(1) – notify and provide information to the competent authority of origin in advance of intended movements to another Member State

Empowerments in Regulation (EU) 2016/429

- Commission shall adopt delegated acts concerning
 - Article 118 detailed requirements for the means and methods of identification, and their application and use, of certain kept terrestrial animals, which may include dogs/cats
 - Article 146 – detailed rules on the content of animal health certificates for certain kept terrestrial animals, which may include dogs/cats

Empowerments in Regulation (EU) 2016/429

- Commission may adopt delegated acts concerning
 - Article 118 - specific provisions for identification documents accompanying *dogs/cats* and information to be included therein
 - Article 118 - detailed requirements for identification and registration of *dogs/cats*
 - Article 118 - rules on identification and registration of *dogs/cats* after their entry into the Union
 - Article 109(2) and Article 118 - the recording in databases of certain information related to *dogs/cats*
 - Article 144 –requirements for animal health certification for movement of *dogs/cats*

Conditions to adopt delegated acts

Only where this appears to be necessary due to the significance of the risks posed by those animal species.

Prior evaluation of any possible new measures is necessary to verify

- proportionality to address the identified animal health risks,
- EU added-value with regard to action by the Member States,
- possible administrative burden on the part of Member States against the anticipated benefits of any envisaged measures.



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Non-commercial movement of pet animals – Part VI of Regulation (EU) No 2016/429

- **Pet owners' obligations arising from the application of Regulation (EU) 2016/429**
 - Article 247 - pet owners shall ensure that dogs/cats/ferrets accompanying them across EU borders for non-commercial purposes are individually identified by a physical means of identification.
 - Article 248 – national rules apply for other species pending adoption of EU rules
- **Empowerments in Regulation (EU) 2016/429**
 - Article 252(1)(a) - detailed species-specific requirements for the means of identification of pet animals, and their application and use

Article 277 - 10 year-transitional period during which Regulation (EU) No 576/2013 continues to apply in place of Part VI of Regulation (EU) 2016/429

Welfare study

- the Commission has published the study on the welfare of dogs and cats involved in commercial practices at:

http://ec.europa.eu/food/animals/docs/aw_eu-strategy_study_dogs-cats-commercial-practices_en.pdf