



# Special control measures for ASF from 21 April 2021

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# Main legal framework for ASF control in the EU

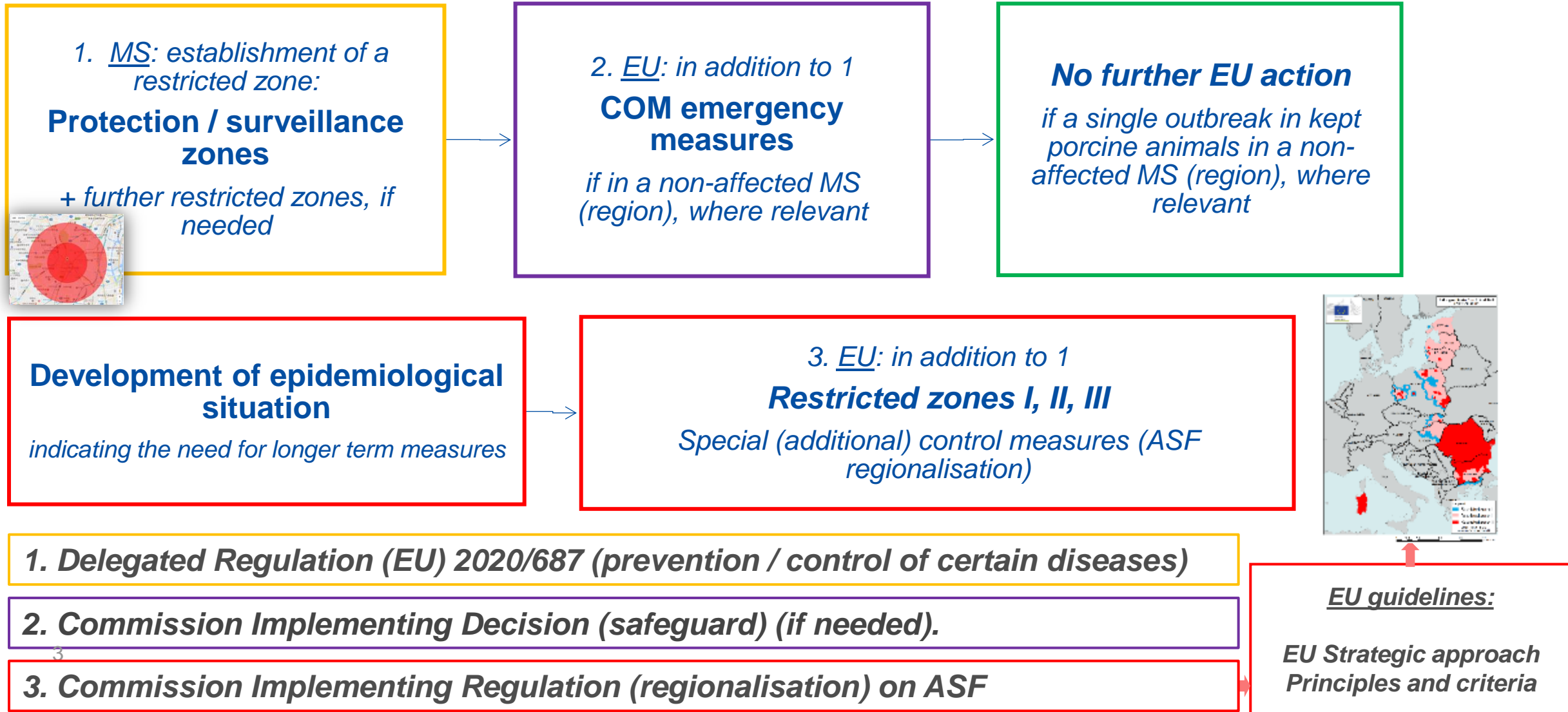
## Status quo

- Directives 90/425/EEC, 89/662/EEC
  - only certain Articles apply for transitional period
  - repealed and replaced by Regulation (EU) 2017/625 (Official control regulation)
- Directives 2002/60 & 2002/99
  - laying down specific provisions for the control of African swine fever
  - laying down the animal health rules governing the production, processing, distribution and introduction of products of animal origin for human consumption
  - will continue to apply until 21 April 2021
- EU safeguard Decisions
  - Urgent EU intervention
- Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2014/709 (regionalisation)

## From 21 April 2021

- Regulation (EU) 2016/429 (“Animal Health Law”)
- Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687 regards rules for the prevention and control of certain listed diseases
- Commission emergency measures (Art. 259 of AHL)
- **Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) laying down special ASF control measures (regionalisation) [7260/2020]**

# Control measures in the EU following ASF outbreak from 21 April 2021: example



# Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/... on ASF: Objectives and status quo

- Alignment with a **new legal basis** (AHL)
- Continuous alignment with the **international standard** on ASF (OIE)
- **Continuity** of the current ASF control rules
  - Preservation of the successful approach of main measures of CID (EU) 2014/709
  - Review of the rules based on new scientific developments and experiences
  - Simplification, streamlining and modernisation
- **Draft endorsed by the MS** (PAFF), February 2021
- Planned for **adoption** before 21 April 2021

# EU regionalisation measures for ASF

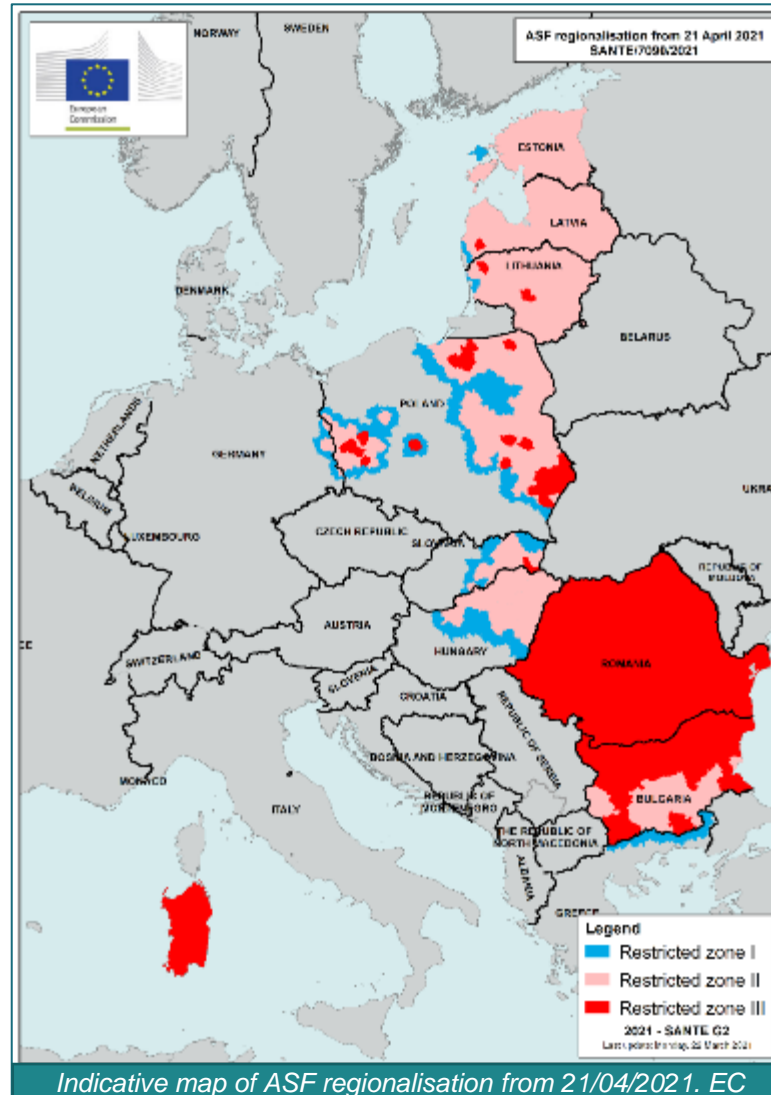
- **Internationally recognised**
- Fully or partially **recognized by certain trading partners**
  - e.g. US, Canada, New Zealand
- Proven to be **effective to prevent / control / slow down the spread of ASF**
  - e.g. eradication in certain situations (CZ, BE)
- In the areas affected by ASF high risk exists
  - **risk mitigation measures are crucial**
- **Business continuity** - the negative impact of ASF is reduced:
  - non-restricted areas can continue safe trade
  - safe derogations for affected areas

# EU regionalisation measures for ASF

## Status quo:

*Decision (EU) 2014/709*

- Part I – higher risk area
- Part II – ASF in wild boar
- Part III – ASF in domestic pigs and wild boar
- Part IV – specific ASF situation in Sardinia



## From 21 April 2021:

*New Implementing Regulation*

- Restricted zone I ('an additional further restricted zone') – zone, bordering zone II or III, where relevant
- Restricted zone II ('an infected zone') – ASF in wild porcine animals
- Restricted zone III ('a further restricted zone', in addition to PZ/SZ) – ASF in kept porcine animals (with or without ASF in wild porcine animals)

# Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/... on ASF: Structure

- Chapter I – **subject matter, scope and definitions**
- Chapter II - special rules for the **establishment of restricted zones I, II and III** in the event of an outbreak of African swine fever and the **application of special disease control measures**
- Chapter III - special disease control measures applicable to consignments of **porcine animals kept in restricted zones I, II and III** and **products obtained thereof**
- Chapter IV - special risk-mitigating measures concerning African swine fever for **food businesses**
- Chapter V - special disease control measures applicable to **wild porcine animals**
- Chapter VI - special **information and training obligations**
- Chapter VII - **final provisions**
- Annex I (**list of restricted zones**) and Annex II (**reinforced biosecurity measures**)

# Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/... on ASF:

## Main principles

- **Restricted zones** categorised by the epidemiological ASF situation = **regionalisation** (zoning) in line with international standards
- **Prohibitions** of movements of certain commodities out of restricted zones
- **Derogations** from prohibitions only under specific **conditions** (surveillance, official control, a clinical examination, etc.) and **authorisation** by the competent authority
- Special **designation** of establishments and **requirements**
- **Information** and **training obligations**, public **awareness**
- Reinforced **biosecurity measures**



# Specific prohibitions of movements of consignments (kept porcine): examples

- **9(1). Porcine animals kept** in restricted zones **I, II and III** outside those zones.
- **10. Germinal products** obtained from porcine animals kept in restricted zones **II and III** outside those zones.
- **11(1). Animal by-products** obtained from porcine animals kept in restricted zones **II and III** outside those zones.
- **12(1). Fresh meat and meat products, including casings**, obtained from porcine animals kept in restricted zones **II and III** outside those zones.
- **13. General prohibition (kept porcine and products thereof)** if the competent authority considers that there is a risk.



Exemptions from prohibitions

# General and specific conditions for authorising movements: examples

## General conditions: Article 28 (2) to (7) of Regulation (EU) 2020/687

Designated route

Designated establishment of destination

Verification on the designation and acceptance of consignment

A clinical & laboratory examination

Outcome of visits by official veterinarians

Separation from not eligible animals/products

Supplementary biosecurity measures



## Additional conditions: Articles 14 to 17 of Implementing Regulation on ASF

14(2). Assessment of risk

15(1a). Residency period for kept porcine animals

15(1b). A clinical examination within 24h period

15(1c). Pathogen identification tests prior the movement (if necessary)

16(1a). Regular visits by official veterinarians

16(1b). Biosecurity (Annex II + national)

16(1c). Continuous testing of dead animals

17. Means of transport (authorized, cleaned and disinfected)

# Annexes

## Annex I (list of restricted zones)

- The restricted **zone I**:

- ....

- The restricted **zone II**:

- ....

- The restricted **zone III**:

- ....

## Annex II (reinforced biosecurity measures)

- For establishments in the restricted zones subject to authorised movements

# Examples of changes

## Current Implementing Decision (EU) 2014/709

Domestic pigs, feral pigs, dispatch

Approval of establishments

Outbreaks in domestic, cases in feral pigs

Derogation for dispatch of pigs for immediate slaughter from Part II only if pigs originate from a single breeding holding in Part I or II - Article 3b paragraph (c)

Derogations for dispatch of pigs from Part III to other MS - Article 4

Prohibition on the dispatch of ABPs from Part II, III, IV to other MS unless derived products – Article 10  
Designated disinfection points at the exit

Lists of approved establishments and immediate information to the Commission and other MS on any change – Article 14

Part I, II, III, IV

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## New Implementing Regulation on ASF

Kept porcine, wild porcine, movements

Designation of establishments

Outbreaks

Specific conditions for authorizing movements for immediate slaughter provided general conditions – Articles 14-17

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Specific conditions for further processing, transformation or disposal in other MS – Articles 33-37  
General conditions - Regulation (EU) 1069/2009, etc.

Lists of designated establishments via a link to the website of the competent authority – Article 41

Restricted zones I, II, III

Annex II: reinforced biosecurity measures

# Thank you

**Dedicated ASF website of the Commission:**

[https://ec.europa.eu/food/animals/animal-diseases/control-measures/asf\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/food/animals/animal-diseases/control-measures/asf_en)

**Interactive tool of EU regionalisation (zoning) for ASF:**

<https://santegis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=45cdd657542a437c84bfc9cf1846ae8c>



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