Latvia – 2010

Regarding Council Regulation (EC) 1/2005, in 2010 Food and Veterinary (FVS) officials carried out **1563** checks, to evaluate animals' transportation conformity with Council Regulation (EC) 1/2005 requirements. The analysis of the major infringements is given in table below:

Classification of infringements during transport of animals in 2010

No	Non conformity	Number of case	Percentage
1.	Non conformity of the Journey log, resting, feeding, drinking of animals	8	24.2%
2.	Absence of Certificates of competence or licence for vehicles	5	15.1%
3.	Suitability of animals for transportation	2	6.1%
3.	Equipment and maintenance of vehicle	4	12.1%
4.	Ventilation, temperature	6	18.2%
5.	Density	2	6.1%
6.	Care and handling of animals	4	12.1%
7.	Others	2	6.1%
	TOTAL	33	100%

Actions:

- 1) 14 persons were imposed fines for the violation of legal acts on animal welfare; in 5 cases animals transportation were forbidden in the place of departure; in other cases FVS inspectors pointed up nonconformities and draw up deadlines for its correction;
- 2) FVS has organized seminars for animals transporters to clarify the requirements given in Council Regulation (EC) 1/2005 and actually existing nonconformities;
- 3) In annual and semiannual meetings FVS CA officials inform regional inspectors on control results, infringements detected on animals welfare and make analyse on existing critical points on inspections;
- 4) In order to evaluate the implementation of the requirements of animal welfare during transport FVS Central Office controls were carried out in 2 FVS regional offices where regular export of calves is organised to other EU member states and in 2 FVS regional offices in places of departure where pigs are exported to Russia.

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5) In September 2010 FVS Central Office organised training seminar for all regional veterinary inspectors and specially paid attention to approving of vehicles, compliance of drinking systems for animals regarding to species and age of transported animals. Overviewed subjects included also filling and conformity assessment of the journey log, TRACES information compliance with the journey log.