

**Analysis of major deficiencies detected during the non-discriminatory inspections and action plan to address them as provided for in Article 27(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1/2005**

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**1. ANALYSIS OF THE MAJOR DEFICIENCIES DETECTED DURING THE NON-DISCRIMINATORY INSPECTIONS:**

In 2018 inspectors of Food and Veterinary Service (FVS) carried out 3789 checks, to evaluate conformity of animal transportation with requirements of Council Regulation (EC) 1/2005. The percentage of transports noncompliant with Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 was 1 %.

**Quantitative ranking of non-compliances**

<b>Ranking</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Total number</b>	<b>Percentage related to total number of checks</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Documentation</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>1,6</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Transport practices</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0,4</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Fitness of animals</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0,2</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Means of transport</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0,1</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Watering and feeding, journey times and resting periods</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0,05</b>

Penalties for the breach of requirements were imposed in 4 cases. 2 cases were reported as laid down in Article 26 of Regulation 1/2005. In other cases dates for correction of nonconformities were fixed.

**2. ACTION PLAN TO ADDRESS THE DEFICIENCIES DESCRIBED UNDER POINT 1.**

63% of all checks are done at the point of departure. In 2019, inspectors will continue to carry out these checks on transportations to prevent violations. In cases where a violation is detected during a check of transport on a place of departure, the FVS official veterinarian will not allow the journey to begin. Only in cases where there are no violations or preventive measures have been taken, the FVS official veterinarian will allow the journey.

Private veterinarians will be educated on animal welfare.

Cooperation with Competent Authorities in other Member States and notification of infringements as laid down in Article 26 of Regulation 1/2005 will be continued.