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# Regulation of the State Veterinary Administration

The Central Veterinary Administration of the State Veterinary Administration, as the locally and factually competent administrative authority under the provisions of § 48 (1) (c) of Act No 166/1999, concerning veterinary care and amending certain related laws (Veterinary Act), as amended, with regard to Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2016 on transmissible animal diseases and amending and repealing certain acts in the area of animal health ('Animal Health Legal Framework'), as amended (hereinafter referred to as "Regulation (EU) 2016/429"), Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687 of 17 December 2019 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards rules for the prevention and control of certain listed diseases, as amended (hereinafter referred to as "Regulation (EU) 2020/687"), Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1882 of 3 December 2018 on the application of certain disease prevention and control rules to 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, as amended (hereinafter referred to as "Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/1882"), and in connection with restricted zones in areas with FMD established in Hungary, Slovakia, and the Republic of Austria, as well as in accordance with the provisions of § 54 (1) (d), (l) and (p), (2) (c) and (3), and § 57 (2) of Veterinary Act, shall order the following

# **Emergency veterinary measures**

# For the protection of the state territory of the Czech Republic against the risk of intrusion of a dangerous contagious disease foot-and-mouth disease (hereinafter referred to as "FMD") from Hungary and Slovakia:

# Article 1

The movements of cattle, sheep, goats, pigs,, and other animal species susceptible to FMD listed in Annex to Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/1882 (hereinafter referred to as "susceptible animals") from the federal states of Burgenland and Lower Austria to holdings, assembly centres, or slaughterhouses in the territory of the Czech Republic performed by natural and legal persons shall be prohibited.

# Article 2

Persons transporting susceptible animals, germinal products, animal products, animal byproducts originating from susceptible animals, as well as derived products, or feedingstuffs for farm animals crossing the state border from the federal states of Burgenland and Lower Austria to the Czech Republic shall:

 a) suffer at the state border between the Czech Republic and the Republic of Austria controls on consignments of susceptible animals, germinal products, animal products, animal byproducts originating from susceptible animal, as well as derived products, or feedingstuffs for farm animals performed by official veterinarians or staff of the Police of the Czech Republic or staff of the Customs Administration of the Czech Republic;

- b) in the case of transport of susceptible animals, submit for control, and at request, to official veterinarians or staff of the Police of the Czech Republic or staff of the Customs Administration of the Czech Republic documents proving the disinfection of transport means prior to the loading of susceptible animals, as well as documents accompanying transported animals (TRACES certificates), either in a documentary, or in an electronic form, and provide assistance necessary for a proper control and examination of animals, and, if necessary, enable taking samples by official veterinarians;
- c) in the case of transport of germinal products, animal products, animal by-products originating from susceptible animals, as well as derived products, or feedingstuffs for farm animals submit for control, and at request, to official veterinarians or staff of the Police of the Czech Republic or staff of the Customs Administration of the Czech Republic documents accompanying transported germinal products, animal products, or animal by-products originating from susceptible animals (TRACES certificates), either in a documentary, or in an electronic form.

# Article 3

- (1) Where drivers of road vehicles and special vehicles weighting more than 3.5 tons transporting, or intended for the transport of animals, animal products, animal by-products, derived products, or feedingstuffs for farm animals to the Czech Republic travelled through the territory of the federal states of Burgenland and Lower Austria, they shall use for crossing the state border from the Republic of Austria to the Czech Republic the following border crossing points only:
  - a) Hatě Kleinhaugsdorf, border section VIII/43-04,05 VIII/44 VIII/45 (VIII/43-13 – VIII/45), South Moravian Region;
  - b) Mikulov Drasenhofen; border section IX/72-4 IX/73 (IX/73Ö IX/73C), South Moravian Region, or
  - c) Halámky Gmünd Nagelberg, border section V/56-3 V/ 57 (V/66-6 V/57), South Bohemian Region.
- (2) Persons referred to in paragraph (1) shall suffer the disinfection of transport means at crossing the border, performed by the staff of the Fire Rescue Service.

# Article 4

Official veterinarians from armed forces of the Czech Republic designated by the Ministress of Defence for salvage operations consisting in the prevention of intrusion of FMD to the territory of the Czech Republic in accordance with Government Regulation No 93/2025 concerning the deployment of the Army of the Czech Republic in salvage operations in relation with the protection of the Czech Republic against the risk of intrusion of a dangerous contagious disease foot-and-mouth disease shall also be authorised for the performance of controls on consignments of susceptible animals, germinal products, animal products, animal by-products originating from susceptible animals, as well as derived products or feedingstuffs for farm animals at the border between the Czech Republic and the Slovak Republic pursuant to Article 3, and ordering measures for the rectification of detected non-compliances.

# Article 5

#### Sanctions

Non-compliance with or the breach of duties resulting from these emergency veterinary measures can be fined by administrative authorities pursuant to the provisions of § 71 or § 72 of Veterinary Act up to the amount of:

- a) CZK 100 000,- in the case of natural persons;
- b) CZK 2 000 000,- in the case of legal persons or natural persons involved in business.

### Article 6

#### Notice

Where, in accordance with § 67 et seq. of Veterinary Act, a claim arises for the reimbursement of costs and losses incurred in connection with the implementation of emergency veterinary measures ordered for the control of certain dangerous animal diseases or diseases transmissible from animals to humans, it shall be submitted in due time on the basis of an application to the Ministry of Agriculture, which shall decide on it. The details of the application for the compensation and the application form are laid down in Decree No 176/2023 on animal health and its protection and on authorisation and professional competence for the performance of certain professional veterinary activities. The application form is available at the official website of the Ministry of Agriculture.

#### Article 7

#### Repealing provisions

The following shall be repealed:

- 1. Regulation of the SVA CR Ref. No SVS/2025/048516 of 27 March 2025.
- 2. Regulation of the SVA CR Ref. No SVS/2025/050088 of 31 March 2025.

#### Article 8

#### Common and final provisions

- (1) This Regulation shall come, pursuant to § 2 (1) and § 4 (1) and (2) of Act No 35/2021 on the Collection of legal rules of higher territorial self-governing units and certain administrative authorities due to threats to life, health, property, or environment, into force at the moment of its publication in the Collection and into effect on the day following the day of its publication. The date and time of its publication shall be indicated in the Collection.
- (2) This Regulation shall be published on the official notice boards of the Ministry of Agriculture and Regional Offices of the territories concerned for at least 15 days and shall also be published without delay on the official web page of the State Veterinary Administration. Where the Regulation imposes duties on subjects other than keepers of farm animals, it shall be published in the national radio or television broadcasting as well.
- (3) The State Veterinary Administration shall publish information on the publication of the Regulation in the Collection on its official web page for at least 15 days from the day on which it has been notified of its publication.

Done in Prague on 7 April 2025

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**CC:** Ministry of Agriculture, all Regional Offices