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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"), Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2025/613 of 24 March 2025 on certain emergency measures in relation to foot-and-mouth disease in Hungary and repealing Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2025/496 (hereinafter referred to as "Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2025/613"), and in connection with further restricted zones in areas with FMD established in Hungary, as well as in accordance with the provisions of § 54 (1) (d), (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:

### **Article 1**

- (1) The movements of cattle, sheep, goats, pigs, or other animal species susceptible to FMD listed in Annex to Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/1882 (hereinafter referred to as "susceptible animals") from Hungary to the Czech Republic performed by natural and legal persons shall be prohibited.
- (2) The movements of
  - a) germinal products,
  - b) animal products other than subjected to treatments pursuant to Annex VII to Regulation (EU) 2020/687.
  - c) animal by-products

originating from susceptible animals from Hungary to the Czech Republic, performed by legal persons and natural persons involved in business shall be prohibited.

#### Article 2

- (1) Persons transporting susceptible animals, germinal products, animal products, or animal by-products originating from susceptible animals within the territory of the Czech Republic shall:
  - a) suffer in the territory of the Czech Republic controls on consignments of susceptible animals, germinal products, animal products, or animal by-products originating from susceptible 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 of 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, either in a documentary, or in an electronic form, and provide assistance necessary for a proper control and examination of animals; if necessary, enable taking samples by official veterinarians;
  - c) in the case of transport of germinal products, animal products, or animal by-products originating from susceptible animals, submit for control, and at request of 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, either in a documentary, or in an electronic form.
- (2) After the transport, persons transporting susceptible animals shall perform the disinfection of vehicles in which susceptible animals were present or shall ensure the performance of such disinfection.

### **Article 3**

- (1) Persons transporting susceptible animals, germinal products, animal products, or animal by-products originating from susceptible animals and crossing the state border from the Slovak Republic to the Czech Republic shall:
  - a) suffer at the state border between the Czech Republic and the Slovak Republic controls on consignments of susceptible animals, germinal products, animal products, or animal by-products originating from susceptible 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 the transport of susceptible animals, submit for control, and at request of 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), either in a documentary, or in an electronic form, and provide assistance necessary for a proper control and examination of animals; if necessary, enable taking samples by official veterinarians;
  - c) in the case of the transport of germinal products, animal products, or animal by-products originating from susceptible animals, submit for control, and at request of 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), either in a documentary, or in an electronic form.

### Article 4

- (1) Keepers of susceptible animals and operators of assembly centres for ungulates shall:
  - a) perform assembly operations for the purpose of moving susceptible animals to other Member States of the European Union or to third countries only at assembly centres for ungulates;
  - b) require from transporters animals documents proving the disinfection of transport means prior to the loading of susceptible animals, either in a documentary, or in an electronic form; this duty shall apply to all transporters from abroad whose transport means bear registration marks other than those of the Czech Republic and to the transport means bearing registration marks of the Czech Republic which have moved within the last 21 days in areas with FMD in Hungary and in the Slovak Republic as defined in Annex to Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2025/613 or in other restricted zones with FMD established in Hungary and in the Slovak Republic. Keepers and operators of assembly centres for ungulates shall keep copies of these documents for 12 months and provide them at request to official veterinarians;
  - c) keep records of the entries of transport means to the places of keeping of susceptible animals, keep these records for 12 months, and provide them at request to official veterinarians. These records shall include, in particular, the following: date of entry, identification of transporters, registration numbers of transport means and places of departure of transport means;
  - d) ensure that no persons can enter their holdings or assembly centres for ungulates who have moved within the last 21 days in areas with FMD in Hungary and in the Slovak Republic as defined in Annex to Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2025/613 or in other restricted zones with FMD established in Hungary and in the Slovak Republic and keep records of the entries of other persons to their holdings or assembly centres for ungulates. These records shall include, in particular, the following: name, surname, date of birth, place of residence and date of entry to their holdings or assembly centres for ungulates. This shall not apply where official veterinarians enter holdings or assembly centres for ungulates to perform state veterinary supervision. In such cases, these records shall contain service ID card numbers of the official veterinarians only. The records shall be kept by keepers and operator of ungulate assembly centres for 12 months and provided at request to official veterinarians;
  - e) notify the territorially competent Regional Veterinary Administration of the State Veterinary Administration or the Municipal Veterinary Administration in Prague of the State Veterinary Administration or private veterinarians of any suspicion on FMD in farmed animals (based on clinical signs specific for FMD);
  - f) comply with the rules for a high level of biosecurity on holdings, in particular perform disinfection at entrances to and exits from holdings, disinfection of vehicles, and checks on all persons and materials entering their holdings.
- (2) The duties laid down in paragraph (1) (d) shall not apply to closed facilities (ZOOs). Operators of closed facilities shall inform the public of the risk of FMD infection by means of leaflets or posters placed at clearly visible sites at entrances to closed facilities.

## Article 5

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/2025/038764 of 10 March 2025.
- 2. Regulation of the SVA CR Ref. No SVS/2025/042859 of 17 March 2025.

### **Article 8**

## Common and final provisions

- (1) This Regulation shall come into force and effect 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 at the moment of its publication in the Collection. 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.

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