

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 Law') (Text with EEA relevance)

PART II

DISEASE NOTIFICATION AND REPORTING, SURVEILLANCE, ERADICATION PROGRAMMES, DISEASE-FREE STATUS

CHAPTER I

Disease notification and reporting

Article 18

Notification within Member States

- 1 Member States shall ensure that operators and other relevant natural or legal persons:
 - a immediately notify the competent authority where there are any reasons to suspect the presence in animals of a listed disease as referred to in point (a) of Article 9(1), or where the presence of such a disease is detected in animals;
 - b as soon as practicable notify the competent authority where there are any reasons to suspect the presence in animals of a listed disease as referred to in point (e) of Article 9(1) other than those referred to in point (a) of Article 9(1), or where the presence of such a disease is detected in animals;
 - c notify a veterinarian of abnormal mortalities and other signs of serious disease or significant decreased production rates with an undetermined cause, for further investigation, including sampling for laboratory examination when the situation so requires.
- 2 Member States may decide that the notifications provided for in point (c) of paragraph 1 may be directed to the competent authority.
- 3 The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 264 concerning:
 - a criteria to determine whether the circumstances requiring notification described in point (c) of paragraph 1 occur;
 - b detailed rules for the further investigation provided for in point (c) of paragraph 1.

Article 19

Union notification

- 1 Member States shall immediately notify the Commission and the other Member States of any outbreaks of listed diseases as referred to in point (e) of Article 9(1) for which an immediate notification is required in order to ensure the timely implementation of necessary risk management measures, taking into account the disease profile.

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2 The notification provided for in paragraph 1 shall contain the following information on the outbreak:

- a the disease agent and, where relevant, the subtype;
- b the relevant dates, in particular those of the suspicion and the confirmation of the outbreak;
- c the type and location of the outbreak;
- d any related outbreaks;
- e the animals involved in the outbreak;
- f any disease control measures taken in relation to the outbreak;
- g the possible or known origin of the listed disease;
- h the diagnostic methods used.

Article 20

Union reporting

1 Member States shall report to the Commission and to the other Member States the information on listed diseases referred to in point (e) of Article 9(1) for which:

- a immediate notification of an outbreak is not required under Article 19(1);
- b immediate notification of an outbreak is required under Article 19(1), but additional information is required to be reported to the Commission and the other Member States on:
 - (i) surveillance in accordance with the rules laid down in an implementing act adopted in accordance with Article 30;
 - (ii) an eradication programme in accordance with the rules laid down in an implementing act adopted in accordance with Article 35.

2 The reports provided for in paragraph 1 shall include information on:

- a the detection of the listed diseases referred to in paragraph 1;
- b the results of surveillance when required in accordance with rules adopted in accordance with point (d)(ii) of Article 29 or point (b)(ii) of Article 30(1);
- c the results of surveillance programmes when required in accordance with Article 28(3) and rules adopted in accordance with point (d)(ii) of Article 29 or point (b)(ii) of Article 30(1);
- d eradication programmes when required in accordance with Article 34 and rules laid down in an implementing act adopted in accordance with Article 35.

3 The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 264 concerning provisions supplementing the requirements of paragraph 2 and reporting on other matters concerning surveillance and eradication programmes where necessary in order to ensure an efficient application of the disease prevention rules and control rules laid down in this Regulation.

Article 21

Notification and reporting regions

The Member States shall establish notification and reporting regions for the purpose of the notification and reporting provided for in Articles 19 and 20.

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Article 22

Computerised information system for Union notification and Union reporting of diseases

The Commission shall set up and manage a computerised information system for the operation of the mechanisms and tools for the notification and reporting requirements provided for in Articles 19, 20 and 21.

Article 23

Implementing powers concerning Union notification and Union reporting and the computerised information system

The Commission shall, by means of implementing acts, lay down rules for the notification and reporting requirements and the computerised information system provided for in Articles 19 to 22 with respect to:

- (a) those listed diseases referred to in point (e) of Article 9(1) which are to be subject to immediate notification by the Member States as well as the necessary measures relating to the notification, in accordance with Article 19;
- (b) the information to be provided by the Member States in the reporting provided for in Article 20;
- (c) procedures for the establishment and use of the computerised information system provided for in Article 22 and transitional measures for the migration of the data and the information from existing systems into the new system and its full operability;
- (d) the format and structure of the data to be entered into the computerised information system provided for in Article 22;
- (e) the deadlines and frequencies of the notification and reporting provided for in Articles 19 and 20, which shall be done at times and frequencies which ensure transparency and the timely application of the necessary risk management measures, based on the disease profile and the type of outbreak.
- (f) the listing of notification and reporting regions provided for in Article 21.

Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 266(2).

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- Art. 17(1A) words substituted by [S.I. 2021/1273 reg. 8Sch. 2 para. \(t\)](#)