COMMISSION DECISION

of 25 March 2002

amending Decision 93/198/EEC laying down a model for the animal health conditions and veterinary certification for the import of domestic ovine and caprine animals from third countries and amending Annex E of Council Directive 91/68/EEC laying down the animal health conditions governing intra-Community trade in ovine and caprine animals

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(Text with EEA relevance)

(2002/261/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 72/462/EEC [1] of 12 December 1972 on health and veterinary inspection problems upon importation of bovine, ovine and caprine animals, and swine, fresh meat and meat products from third countries, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1452/2001 [2] and in particular Article 8 and 11 thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 91/68/EEC, laying down the animal health conditions governing intra-Community trade in ovine and caprine animals [3], as last amended by Council Directive 2001/10/EC [4] and in particular Article 14 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Decision 93/198/EEC [5], as last amended by Decision 97/231/EC [6], lays down the animal health conditions and veterinary certification for imports of domestic ovine and caprine animals.

(2) Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of the European Parliament and the Council of 22 May 2001 laying down rules for the prevention, control and eradication of certain transmissible spongiform encephalopathies [7], as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1326/2001 [8] requires that ovine and caprine animals for breeding to be imported from a third country must satisfy similar conditions as required inside the Community.

(3) Therefore, the conditions laid down in the health certificates for intra-Community trade and imports from third countries of breeding sheep and goats must be amended to reflect these new Community requirements.

(4) It is opportune to update and harmonise with the requirements laid down for other species the certificates for imports of all categories of sheep and goats.

(5) The annexes to Council Directive 91/68/EEC and Decision 93/198/EEC must be amended accordingly.

(6) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Annex I, Parts 1(a) and 1(b), and Annex II, Parts 1(a) and 1(b), to Decision 93/198/EEC are replaced by the corresponding parts in Annex I to this Decision.

Article 2

Model III in Annex E to Directive 91/68/EEC is replaced by Annex II to this Decision.

Article 3

This Decision shall come into effect after 30 days from its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 25 March 2002.

For the Commission

David BYRNE

Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ L 302, 31.12.1972, p. 28.
[2] OJ L 198, 21.7.2001, p. 11.
[3] OJ L 46, 19.2.1991, p. 19.
[4] OJ L 147, 31.5.2001, p. 41.
[5] OJ L 86, 6.4.1993, p. 34.
[6] OJ L 93, 8.4.1997, p. 22.
[7] OJ L 147, 31.5.2001, p. 1.
[8] OJ L 177, 29.6.2001, p. 60.

ANNEX I

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PART 1(a)

ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE

for domestic ovine and caprine animals for immediate slaughter intended for consignment to the European Community

Note for the importer: This certificate is only for veterinary purposes and the original must accompany the consignment until it reaches the border inspection post. It covers only animals transported in the same railway wagon, lorry, aircraft or ship, consigned to the same destination and intended to be taken, immediately on arrival in the Member State of destination, direct to a slaughterhouse and to be slaughtered not later than five working days after their entry in accordance with Article 13 of Directive 72/462/EEC. It must be completed on the date of loading and all time limits referred to expire on that date.

Code No [1]

Exporting country: .....

Ministry: .....

Competent issuing authority: .....

Country of destination: .....

I. **Number of animals:** .....
(in words)

II. **Identification of animals:** .....

The animals to be exported must bear an individual number which permits tracing of their premises of origin and an indelible red mark on their heads identifying them as animals for slaughter.

Number of animals	Official identification number	Species (ovine/caprine)	Breed	Age	Sex

III. **Origin of animals**

Name(s) and address(es) of premises of origin: .....

.....

.....

IV. **Destination of animals**

The animals will be sent from: .....
(place of loading)

to: .....
(country and place of destination)

by railway wagon/lorry/aircraft/ship: .....

.....
(indicate means of transport and registration marks, flight number or registered name, as appropriate)

Name and address of consignor: .....

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Name and address of consignee: .....

.....

V. **Health information**

I, the undersigned, being an official veterinarian of: .....
(exporting country)

do hereby certify that:

1. ..... , ... [2]
(exporting country) (region)

has been free from foot-and-mouth disease for the two years immediately prior to export, has not practised vaccination against foot-and-mouth disease during the 12 months immediately prior to export, does not permit animals into its territory vaccinated less than one year previously and the animals to be exported have not been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease.

2. ..... , ... [2]
(exporting country) (region)

has been free from the following diseases:

— for 12 months immediately prior to export from rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever and during this time vaccination against any of these diseases has not been carried out,

— for six months immediately prior to export from vesicular stomatitis.

3. The animals to be exported:

(a) were born on the territory of

..... , ... [2]
(exporting country) (region)

and have remained there since birth if less than three months old

or

have remained continuously on the territory of

..... , ... [2]
(exporting country) (region)

for at least three months prior to the day of loading

or

were imported into

..... , ... [2]
(exporting country) (region)

not less than three months ago from a Member State of the European Community or from a third country included in Part I of the Annex to Council Decision 79/542/EEC, in accordance with veterinary conditions at least as strict as the relevant requirements of Directive 72/462/EEC, including any subsidiary decisions;
(delete unwanted reference)

(b) have remained for the last 30 days or since birth, if less than 30 days old, on a holding in the centre of an area of 20 km in diameter in which, according to official findings, there has been no occurrence of foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever or vesicular stomatitis during the last 30 days;

(c) come from a holding which has been free from any official prohibition on health grounds:

— for the last 42 days in the case of brucellosis,

— for the last 30 days in the case of rabies,

— for the last 15 days in the case of anthrax,

and have not been in contact with animals from holdings which do not satisfy these conditions;

(d) were examined by an official veterinarian of .....

.....
(name of exporting country)

within 24 hours of loading and showed no clinical sign of disease;

(e) are not animals to be destroyed under a national programme for the eradication of disease;

(f) have not received thyrostatic, oestrogenic, androgenic or gestagenic substances for fattening purposes;

(g) were obtained:

— from a holding

or

— from

.....
(name of market)

a market which if officially authorised, under conditions at least as severe as those of Annex II to Commission Decision 91/189/EEC, for the export of bovine animals for immediate slaughter to the European Community,

and were assembled at

.....
(name of assembly point)

and until dispatched onto the territory of the European Community they did not come into contact with any cloven-hoofed animals other than those meeting the requirements of this certificate and were not at any place other than a place situated at the centre of an area of 20 km diameter in which, according to official findings by the veterinary authorities of

.....
(name of exporting country)

there had been no incidence of foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest blue tongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever or vesicular stomatitis during the previous 30 days.

(delete reference to holding, market or assembly point as appropriate)

4. Any transport vehicles or containers in which they were loaded were previously cleansed and disinfected with an officially authorised disinfectant and so constructed that faeces, urine, litter or fodder could not flow or fall out of the vehicle during transportation.

VI. Protocols for the approval of any markets through which the animals to which this certificate applies may have passed were in accordance with Annex II to Decision 91/189/EEC.

VII. The certificate is valid for 10 days from the date of loading. In the case of transport by ship the time is prolonged by the time of the voyage.

Done at ....., on .....
(Signature of the official veterinarian) (3)

.....
(Name in capital letters, qualifications and title)

VIII. **Declaration by the captain of the aircraft or master of the ship** (only to be completed when transport includes, even for part of the journey, transport by aircraft or ship)

I, the undersigned, captain of aircraft (flight No ……)/master of ship (name ……),

declare that the animals referred to in paragraph IV have remained on board the aircraft/ship during the flight/voyage

from ……

in …… (exporting country) to ……in the European Community and that the

aircarft/ship did not land/call at any place outside …… (exporting country) en route to the European

Community other than: ……

(ports or airports of call en route).

Done at ……, on ……
(Port or airport of arrival) (Date of arrival)

……
(Signature of captain or master) (3)

Seal (3)

……
(Name in capital letters and title)

(1) Issued by the central competent authority.
(2) Only to be completed if the authorisation to export to the Community is restricted to certain regions of the third country concerned.
(3) The signature and the stamp must be in a colour different to that of the printing.

PART 1(b)

ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE

for domestic ovine and caprine animals for immediate slaughter intended for consignment to the European Community

Note for the importer: this certificate is only for veterinary purposes and the original must accompany the consignment until it reaches the border inspection post. It covers only animals transported in the same railway wagon, lorry, aircraft or ship, consigned to the same destination and intended to be taken immediately on arrival in the Member State of destination direct to a slaughterhouse and to be slaughtered not later than five working days after their entry in accordance with Article 13 of Directive 72/462/EEC. It must be completed on the date of loading and all time limits referred to expire on that date.

Code No [1]

Exporting country: .....

Ministry: .....

Competent issuing authority: .....

Country of destination: .....

I. **Number of animals:** .....
(in words)

II. **Identification of animals:** .....

The animals to be exported must bear an individual number which permits tracing of their premises of origin and an indelible red mark on their heads identifying them as animals for slaughter.

Number of animals	Official identification number	Species (ovine/caprine)	Breed	Age	Sex

III. **Origin of animals**

Name(s) and address(es) of premises of origin: .....

.....

.....

IV. **Destination of animals**

The animals will be sent from: .....
(place of loading)

to: .....
(country and place of destination)

by railway wagon/lorry/aircraft/ship: .....

.....
(indicate means of transport and registration marks, flight number or registered name, as appropriate)

Name and address of consignor: .....

.....

Name and address of consignee: .....

.....

V. **Health information**

I, the undersigned, being an official veterinarian of: .....
(exporting country)

do hereby certify that

1. ..... , ... [2]
(exporting country) (region)

has been free from foot-and-mouth disease for the two years immediately prior to export, has not practised vaccination against foot-and-mouth disease during the 12 months immediately prior to export, does not permit animals into its territory vaccinated less than one year previously and the animals to be exported have not been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease.

2. ..... , ... [2]
(exporting country) (region)

has been free from the following diseases:

— for 12 months immediately prior to export from rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever and during this time vaccination against any of these diseases has not been carried out,

— for six months immediately prior to export from vesicular stomatitis.

3. The animals to be exported:

(a) were born on the territory of

..... , ... [2]
(exporting country) (region)

and have remained there since birth if less than three months old

or

have remained continuously on the territory of

..... , ... [2]
(exporting country) (region)

for at least three months prior to the day of loading

or

were imported into

..... , ... [2]
(exporting country) (region)

not less than three months ago from a Member State of the European Community or from a third country included in Part 1 of the Annex to Council Decision 79/542/EEC, in accordance with veterinary conditions at least as strict as the relevant requirements of Directive 72/462/EEC, including any subsidiary decisions;
(delete unwanted reference)

(b) have remained for the last 30 days or since birth, if less than 30 days old, on a holding in the centre of an area of 20 km in diameter in which, according to official findings, there has been no occurrence of foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever or vesicular stomatitis during the last 30 days;

(c) come from a holding which has been free from any official prohibition on health grounds:

— for the last 42 days in the case of brucellosis,

— for the last 30 days in the case of rabies,

— for the last 15 days in the case of anthrax,

and have not been in contact with animals from holdings which do not satisfy these conditions;

(d) were examined by an official veterinarian of .....

.....
(name of exporting country)

within 24 hours of loading and showed no clinical sign of disease;

(e) are not animals to be destroyed under a national programme for the eradication of disease;

(f) have not received thyrostatic, oestrogenic, androgenic or gestagenic substances for fattening purposes;

(g) were obtained directly from a holding or holdings without passing through a market and were loaded

.....
(name of assembly point)

and until dispatchec onto the territory of the European Community they did not come into contact with any cloven-hoofed animals other than those meeting the requirements of this certificate and were not at any place other than a place situated at the centre of an area of 20 km diameter in which, according to official findings by the veterinary authorities of

.....
(name of exporting country)

there had been no incidence of foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever or vesicular stomatitis during the previous 30 days.

4. Any transport vehicles or containers in which they were loaded were previously cleansed and disinfected with an officially authorised disinfectant and so constructed that faeces, urine, litter or fodder could not flow or fall out of the vehicle during transportation.

VI. The certificate is valid for 10 days from the date of loading. In the case of transport by ship the time is prolonged by the time of the voyage.

Done at ..... , on .....
(Signature of the official veterinarian) (3)

.....
(Name in capital letters, qualifications and title)

VII. **Declaration by the captain of the aircraft or or master of the ship** (only to be completed when transport includes, even for part of the journey, transport by aircraft or ship)

I, the undersigned, captain of aircraft (flight No .....)/master of ship (name .....),

declare that the animals referred to in paragraph IV have remained on board the aircraft/ship during the flight/voyage

from .....

in ..... (exporting country) to ..... in the European Community and that the aircraft/ship did not land/call at

at any place outside ..... (exporting country) en route to the European Community other than:

..... (ports or airports of call en route)

Done at ..... , on .....
(Port or airport of arrival) (Date of arrival)

.....
(Signature of captain or master) (3)

Seal (3)

.....
(Name in capital letters and title)

(1) The signature and the stamp must be in a colour different to that of the printing.
(2) Only to be completed if the authorisation to export to the Community is restricted to certain regions of the third country concerned.
(3) The colour of the seal and the signature must be different from the colour of the printing.

ANNEX II

PART 1(a)

ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE

for domestic ovine and caprine animals for fattening intended for consignment to the European Community

Note for the importer: this certificate is only for veterinary purposes and the original must accompany the consignment until it reaches the border inspection post. It covers only animals tranpsorted in the same railway wagon, lorry, aircraft or ship and consigned to the same destination. It must be completed on the date of loading and all time limits referred to expire on that date.

Code No (1)

Exporting country: .....

Ministry: .....

Competent issuing authority: .....

Country of destination: .....

I. **Number of animals:** .....
(in words)

II. **Identification of animals:** .....

The animals to be exported must bear an individual number which permits tracing of their premises of origin.

Number of animals	Official identification number	Species (ovine/caprine)	Breed	Age	Sex

III. **Origin of animals**

Name(s) and address(es) of premises of origin: .....

.....

.....

IV. **Destination of animals**

The animals will be sent from: .....
(place of loading)

to: .....
(country and place of destination)

by railway wagon/lorry/aircraft/ship: .....

.....
(indicate means of transport and registration marks, flight number or registered name, as appropriate)

Name and address of consignor: .....

.....

Name and address of consignee: .....

.....

V. **Health information**

I, the undersigned, being an official veterinarian of: .....
(exporting country)

do hereby certify that:

1. ..... , ... [2]
(exporting country) (region)

has been free from foot-and-mounth disease for the two years immediately prior to export, has not practised vaccination against foot-and-mouth disease during the 12 months immediately prior to export, does not permit animals into its territory vaccinated less than one year previously and the animals to be epxorted have not been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease.

2. ..... , ... [2]
(exporting country) (region)

has been free from the following diseases:

— for 12 months immediately prior to export from rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever and during this time vaccination against any of these diseases has not been carried out;

— for six months immediately prior to export from vesicular stomatitis.

3. The animals described in this certificate:

(a) are marked in such a way that they can readily be traced to their holding(s) of origin;

(b) have been subjected with negative result to the following test(s) and conform to the following guarantees, as required by a Member State in application of Article 7 or 8 of Directive 91/68/EEC [3];

.....
(complete or delete as required by the importing Member State)

(c) have remained during the past 30 days, or since birth if less than 30 days old, on a holding or holdings situated in the centre of an area of 20 km diameter in which, according to official findings, there has been no occurrence of foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever or vesicular stomatitis during the last 30 days;

(d) (i) were born on the territory of .... [2],
and have remained there since birth
(exporting country) (region)

if less than six months old [3]

or

have remained continuously on the territory of

.... [2],
(exporting country) (region)

for at least six months prior to the day of loading [3]

or

were imported into .....
(exporting country)

.... [2], not less than six months ago from a
(region)

Member State of the European Community, or from a third country included in Part 1 of the Annex to Decision 79/542/EEC, in accordance with veterinary conditions at least as strict as the relevant requirements of Directive 72/462/EEC, including any subsidiary decisions [3];

(ii) have been inspected today (within 24 hours of loading) and show no clinical signs of disease;

(iii) are not animals to be destroyed under a scheme to eradicate a contagious or infectious disease;

(iv) do not come from a holding which is the subject of a prohibition on animal health grounds and have not beeen in contact with animals from such a holding, it being understood that:

1. such prohibition is connected with the outbreak of one of the following diseases to which the animals are susceptible:

— brucellosis,

— rabies,

— anthrax;

2. after destruction of the last animal suffering from or susceptible to one of the above diseases, the duration of the prohibition must be at least:

— 42 days in a case of brucellosis,

— 30 days in a cae of rabies,

— 15 days in a case of anthrax;

nor have they come from a holding or been in contact with animals from a holding in an area subject to animal health restrictions;

(e) either

(i) originate from a holding meeting the requirements for officially brucellosis-free holdings laid down in Annex II, Part 1c, Chapter 1 to Decision 93/198/EEC on which the most recent test of all eligible animals was carried out on ..... [4]
(date)

with negative results [3];

or

satisfy the provisions of Annex II, Part 1c, Chapter 1, paragraph D to Decision 93/198/EEC, laying down the standards to be met by animals being added to a holding with officially brucellosis-free status including two serological tests performed on

..... and ..... [4]
(date of first test) (date of second test)

with negative results [3]

or

(ii) originate from a holding meeting the requirements for brucellosis-free holdings laid down in Annex II, Part 1c, Chapter 2 to Decision 93/198/EEC on which the most recent test of all eligible animals was carried out on ..... [4]
(date)

with negative results [3];

or

satisfy the provisions of Annex II, Part 1c, Chapter 2, paragraph D to Decision 93/198/EEC, laying down the standards to be met by animals being added to a holding with brucellosis-free status including where appropriate two serological tests performed on

..... and ..... [4]
(date of first test) (date of second test)

with negative results [3]

or

(iii) originate from ....., ... [3]
(country) (region)

which has been recognised as satisfying the requirements for officially brucellosis-free status and is included in the list in the Annex, Part 5 to Decision 97/232/EC [3];

(f) were obtained directly from a holding or holdings without passing through a market and were loaded at

..... (5)
(name of loading place)

and until dispatched onto the territory of the European Community they did not come into contact with any cloven-hoofed animals other than those meeting the requirements of this certificate andwere not at any place other than a place situated at the centre of an area of 20 km diameter in which, according to official findings by the veterinary authorities of

.....
(name of loading place)

there had been no incidence of foot-and-mouth-disease, rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever or vesicular stomatitis during the previous 30 days.

4. Any transport vehicles or containers in which they were loaded were previously cleansed and disinfected with an officially authorised disinfectant and so constructed that faeces, urine, litter or fodder could not flow or fall out of the vehicle during transportation.

VI. The certificate is valid for 10 days from the date of loading. In the case of transport by ship the time is prolonged by the time of the voyage.

Done at ..... on .....
(signature of the official veterinarian) (6)

.....
(name in capital letters, qualifications and title)

VII. **Declaration by the captain of the aircraft or master of the ship** (only to be completed when transport includes, even for part of the journey, transport by aircraft or ship).

I, the undersigned, captain of aircraft (flight No .....)/master of ship (name .....),

declare that the animals referred to in paragraph IV have remained on board the aircraft/ship during the flight/voyage

from .....

in .....(exporting country) to ..... in the European Community and that the aircraft/ship did not

not land/call at any place outside ..... (exporting country) en route to the European Community other than: ..... (ports or airports of call en route).

Done at ....., on .....
(Port or airport of arrival) (Date of arrival)

.....
(Signature of captain or master) (6)

Seal (6)

.....
(Name in capital letters and title)

(1) Issued by the central competent authority.
(2) Only to be completed if the authorisation to export to the Community is restricted to certain regions of the third country concerned.
(3) Delete as appropriate.
(4) Where more than one holding of origin is involved the date of the most recent test on each holding must be clearly indicated.
(5) Where more than one holding of origin is involved the date of the most recent test on each holding must be clearly indicated.
(6) The colour of the seal and the signature must be different from the colour of the printing.

PART 1(b)

ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE

for domestic ovine and caprine animals for breeding intended for consignment to the European Community

Note for the importer: this certificate is only for veterinary purposes and the original must accompany the consignment until it reaches the border inspection post. It covers only animals transported in the same railway wagon, lorry, aircraft or ship and consigned to the same destination. It must be completed on the date of loading and all time limits referred to expire on that date.

Code No 1 (1)

Exporting country: .....

Ministry: .....

Competent issuing authority: .....

Country of destination: .....

I. **Number of animals:** .....
(in words)

II. **Identification of animals:** .....

The animals to be exported must bear an individual number which permits tracing of their premises of origin.

Number of animals	Official identification number	Species (ovine/caprine)	Breed	Age	Sex

III. **Origin of animals**

Name(s) and address(es) of premises of origin: .....

.....

.....

IV. **Destination of animals**

The animals will be sent from: .....
(place of loading)

to: .....
(country and place of destination)

by railway wagon/lorry/aircraft/ship: .....

.....
(indicate means of transport and registration marks, flight number of registered name, as appropriate)

Name and address of consignor: .....

.....

Name and address of consignee: .....

.....

V. **Health information**

I, the undersigned, being an official veterinarian of: .....
(exporting country)

do hereby certify that:

1. ..... , ... (2)
(exporting country) (region)

has been free from foot-and-mouth disease for the two years immediately prior to export, has not practised vaccination against foot-and-mouth disease during the 12 months immediately prior to export does not permit animals into its territoriy vaccinated less than one year previously and the animals to be exported have not been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease.

2. ..... , ... (2)
(exporting country) (region)

has been free from the following diseases:

— for 12 months immediately prior to export from rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever and during this time vaccination against any of these diseases has not been carried out,

— The animals described in this certificate:

3. The animals described in this certificate:

(a) are marked in such a way that they can readily be traced to their holdings(s) of origin;

(b) have been subjected with negative result to the following rest(s) and conform to the following guarantees, as required by a Member State in application of Article 7 or 8 of Council Directive 91/68/EEC (3);

.....
(complete or delete as required by the importing Member State)

(c) have remained during the past 30 days, or since bircht if less than 30 days old, on a holding or holdings situated in the centre of an area of 20 km diameter in which, according to official findings, there has been no occurrence of foot and mouth disease, rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprione pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever orvesicular stomatitis during the last 30 days;

(d) (i) in respect of scrapie come from a holding(s) meeting the following requirements:

— is subject to regular official veterinary checks,

— animals on the holding(s) are marked,

— no case of scrapie has been confirmed on the holding(s) in the last three years,

— chcking by sampling at post mortem examination has been made on old ewes culled from the holding(s) with negative results,

— females have only been introduced onto the holding in the last three years from holdings which comply with the same requirements as above;

(ii) have been on the holding(s), or holdings meeting the same requirements, for at least three years or since birth;

(e) to the knowledge of the undersigned and according to the written declaration made by te owner, they were not obtained from a holding or have been in contact with animals from a holding in which the following diseases have been clinically detected:

(i) within the last six months, contagious agalactia of sheep (mycoplasma agalactiae) or contagious agalactia of goats (mycoplasma agalactiae, mycoplasma capricolum, mycoplasma mycoides var. mycoides 'large colony');

(ii) within the last 12 months, paratuberculosis and caseous lymphadenitis;

(iii) wiothin the last three years, pulmonary adenomatosis;

(iv) within the last three years, maedi/visna or caprine viral arthritis/encephalitis (3),

or

within the last 12 months, maedi/visna or caprine viral arthritis/encephalitis if all the infected animals were slaughtered and the remaining animals subsequently reacted negatively to two tests at least six months apart (3);

(f) were born on the territory of .....
(exporting country)

..... (2), and have remained there since birth if less than
(region)

six months old (3),

or

have remained continuously on the territory of .....
(exporting country)

..... (2), for at least six months prior to the day of loading (3)
(region)

or

were imported into .....
(exporting country)

..... (2)
(region)

not less than six months ago from a Member State of the European Community, or from a third country included in Part I of the Annex to Decision 79/542/EEC, in accordance with veterinary conditions at least as strict as the relevant requirements of Directive 72/462/EEC, including any subsidiary decisions (3);

(g) have been inspected today (within 24 hours of loading) and show no clinical signs of disease;

(h) are not animals to be destroyed under a scheme to eradicate a contagious or infectious disease;

(i) do not come from a holding which is the subject of a prohibition on animal health grounds and have not been in contact with animals from such a holding, it being understood that:

(i) such prohibition is connected with the outbreak of one of the following diseases to which the animals are susceptible:

— brucellosis,

— rabies,

— anthrax;

(ii) after destruction of the last animal suffering from or susceptible to one of the above diseases, the duration of the prohibition must be at least:

— 42 days in a case of brucellosis,

— 30 days in a case of rabies,

— 15 days in a case of anthrax,

nor have they come from a holding or been in contact with animals from a holding in an area subject to animal health restrictions;

(j) in respect of rams intended for breeding (3):

— come from a holding where no case of contagious epididymitis (B. ovis) has been diagnosed in the last 12 months,

— have been kept continuously on that holding for 60 days prior to loading for export,
during the 30 days prior to export have undergone, with a negative result (<50 IU/ml), a complement fixation test to detect contagious epididymitis of rams as laid down in Annex D to Directive 91/68/EEC;

(k) (i) originate from a holding meeting the requirements for offcially brucellosis-free holdings laid down in Annex II, Part 1c, Chapter to Decision 93/198/EEC on which the most recent test of all eligible animals was carried out on..... ..... (4) with negative results (3);
(date)

or

satisfy the provisions of Annex II, Part 1c, Chapter 1, paragraph D to Decision 93/198/EEC, laying down the standards to be met by animals being added to a holding with officially brucellosis-free status including two serological tests performed

on ..... (4)
(date of first test)

and ..... (4) with negative results (3)
(date of second test)

or

(ii) originate from a holding meeting the requirements for brucellosis-free holdings laid down in Annex II, Part 1c, Chapter 2 to Decision 93/198/EEC on which the most recent test of all eligible animals was carried out on ..... (4) with negative results (3);
(date)

or

satisfy the provisions of Annex II, Part 1c, Chapter 2, paragraph D to Decision 93/198/EEC, laying down the standards to be met by animals being added to a holding with brucellosis-free statuts including where appropriate two serological tests performed

on ..... (4)
(date of first test)

and ..... (4) with negative results (3);
(Datum der zweiten Untersuchung)

or

(iii) originate from

..... (3), ... (2),
(country) (region)

which has been recognised as satisfying the requirements for officially brucellosis-free status and is included in the list in the Annex, Part 5 to Decision 97/232/EC (3);

(l) were obtained directly from a holding or holdings without passing through a market and were loaded at: ..... (3)
(name of loading place)

and until dispatched onto the territory of the European Community they did not come into contact with any cloven-hoofed animals other than those meeting the requirements of this certificate and were not at any place other than a place situated at the centre of an area of 20 km diameter in which, according to official findings by the veterinary authority .....
(name of exporting country)

there had been no incidence of foot-and-mouth-disease, rinderpest, bluetongue, contagious caprine pleuro-pneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, sheep pox, goat pox, Rift Valley fever or vesicular stomatitis during the previous 30 days.

4. Any transport vehicles or containers in which they were loaded were previously cleansed and disinfected with an officially authorised disinfectant and so constructed that faeces, urine, litter or fodder could not flow or fall out of the vehicle during transportation.

VI. **Additional health guarantees**

The animals described in this certificate conform to the guarantees, as required by a Member State in application of Article 15, Annex VIII 3 (iii) and Annex IX Chapter E of Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 in relation to a program of control of scrapie (3).

VII. The certificate is valid for 10 days from the date of loading. In the case of transport by ship the time is prolonged by the time of the voyage.

Done at ..... on .....

.....
(signature of the official veterinarian) (5)

.....
(Name in capital letters, qualifications and title)

VIII. **Declaration by the captain of the aircraft or master of the ship** (only to be completed when transport includes, even for part of the journey, transport by aircraft or ship).

I, the undersigned, captain of aircraft (flight No .....)/master of ship (name.....), declare that the animals referred to in paragraph IV above have remained on board the aircraft/ship during the flight/voyage from ..... in ..... (exporting country) to ..... in the European Community and that the aircraft/ship did not land/call at any place outside ..... (exporting country) en route to the European Community other than: ..... (ports or airports of call en route).

Done at ..... on .....
(Port or airport of arrival) (Date of arrival)

.....
(Signature of captain or master) (5)

Seal (5)

.....
(Name in capital letters and title)

(1) Issued by the central competent authority.
(2) Only to be completed if the authorisation to export to the Community is restricted to certain regions of the third country concerned.
(3) Delete as appropriate.
(4) Where more than one holding of origin is involved the date of the most recent test on each holding must be clearly indicated.
(5) The colour of the seal and the signature must be different from the colour of the printing.'

ANNEX II

'ANNEX E

MODEL III

Health certificate (1) for trade between Member States of the European Communities in ovine and caprine animals for breeding

No:

Member State of consignor: .....

Competent Ministry: .....

Competent department: .....

I. **Number of animals:** .....

II. **Identification of animals:** .....

Number of animals	Male/female ovine/caprine	Breed	Age	Official identification number (State number and location)

III. **Origin of animals**

The animals were either:

(a) born and have been reared since birth on community territory (1),

or

(b) imported from a third country appearing on the list drawn up in accordance with Article 3 of Directive 72/462/EEC and meet either (2):

— the animal health conditions laid down in accordance with Article 8 of Directive 72/462/EEC (2),

or

— the conditions laid down in Article 8(A)(2) of Directive 91/496/EEC and have spent at least 30 days in the Member State of consignment (2).

IV. **Destination of animals**

The animals will be sent from:

.....
(place)

to: .....
(Member State and place of destination)

by railway wagon/lorry/aircraft/ship (2) .....

..... (3)
(indicate means of transport and registration marks, flight number of registered name, as appropriate)

Name and address of consignor: .....

.....

.....

Name and address of consignee: .....

.....

.....

V. **Health information**

I, the undersigned, certify that the animals described above meet the following requirements:

A. they have been inspected today (within 48 hours prior to loading) and show no clinical sign of disease;

B. they are not animals which are to be destroyed under a scheme to eradicate a contagious or infectious disease;

C. neither were they obtained from a holding which is the subject of a prohibition on animal health grounds nor have they been in contact with animals from such a holding, it being understood that:

1. such prohibition is connected with the outbreak of one of the following diseases to which the animals are susceptible:

— brucellosis,

— rabies,

— anthrax;

2. after destruction of the last animal suffering from or susceptible, the duration of the prohibition must be at least:

— 42 days in the case of brucellosis,

— 30 days in the case of rabies,

— 15 days in the case of anthrax;

nor have they come from a holding or been in contact with animals from a holding in a protection zone which has been set up under community legislation and which animals are prohibited to leave;

D. they are not the subject of animal health measures pursuant to the community legislation on foot-and-mouth disease nor have they been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease;

E. as regards scrapie

(i) they come from a holding satisfying the following requirements:

— it is subject to regular official veterinary checks,

— the animals are marked,

— no case of scrapie has been confirmed for at least three years,

— checking by sampling is carried out on the holding on old female animals intended for culling,

— females are introduced into that holding only if they come from a holding which complies with the same requirements;

(ii) they have been continuously kept on a holding or holdings complying with the requirements laid down in point E (i) since birth or for the last three years;

(iii) if they are destined for a Member State which benefits, for all or part of its territory, from the provisions laid down in point 3(b) of Chapter A Part I in Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 999/2001, comply with the guarantees provided for in the programmes referred to in that point;

F. 1. either they qualify for admission to an officially brucellosis-free (B. melitensis) ovine or caprine holding [2], i.e.:

(a) they come from an officially brucellosis-free (B. melitensis) holding [2]; or

(b) they come from a brucellosis-free (B. melitensis) holding and:

— they are identified individually,

— they have never been vaccinated against brucellosis or if they have been vaccinated were so vaccinated more than two years previously. However, females over two years old which were vaccinated before the age of seven months may also be brought onto the holding, and

— they were isolated under official supervision on the holding of origin and, during such isolation, underwent, with negative results, two tests for brucellosis in accordance with Annex C to Directive 91/68/EEC, separated by an interval of at least six weeks [2];

2. or they qualify for admission to a brucellosis-free ovine or caprine holding (2), i.e.:

(a) they come from an officially brucellosis-free (B. melitensis) holding (2); or

(b) they come from a brucellosis-free (B. melitensis) holding (2); or

(c) until the qualifying date under eradication plans approved pursuant to Decision 90/242/EEC, they originate from a holding other than referred to in (a) and (b) and satisfy the following conditions:

(i) they are identified individually; and

(ii) they originate from a holding in which all the animals of species susceptible to brucellosis (B. melitensis) have been free of clinical symptoms or any other symptom of brucellosis for at least 12 months; and

(iii) either:

— they have not been vaccinated against brucellosis (B. melitensis) in the last two years, and

— they were isolated under veterinary supervision on the holding of origin and, during such isolation, underwent, with negative results, two tests for brucellosis in accordance with Annex C to Directive 91/68/EEC separated by an interval of at least six weeks,
or

— they were vaccinated with rev 1 vaccine before the age of seven months but not later than 15 days before their introduction into the holding of destination (2);

G. as regards contagious epididymitis of rams (B. ovis), where uncastrated breeding rams are concerned, they must:

— come from a holding on which no case of contagious epididymitis of rams (B. ovis) has been recorded in the past 12 months,

— have been kept permanently on that holding for the 60 days preceding consignment,

— have undergone, within 30 days prior to consignment, with a negative result, a complement fixing test to detect contagious epididymitis of rams (B. ovis);

H. to the knowledge of the undersigned and according to the written declaration made by the owner, they were not obtained from a holding or have not been in contact with animals from a holding in which the following diseases have been clinically detected:

— within the last six months, contagious agalactica of sheep (mycoplasma agalactiae) and contagious agalactica of goats (mycoplasma agalactia, M. capricolum, M. mycoides subsp. mycoides large colony),

— within the last 12 months, paratuberculosis or caseous lymphadenitis,

— within the last three years, pulmonary adenomatosis, maedi/visna or caprine viral arthritis/encephalitis. However, this time limit is reduced to 12 months if animals affected by maedi/visna or caprine viral arthritis/encephalitis have been slaughtered and the remaining animals have reacted negatively to two tests;

I. they were obtained from:

— a holding (2) ..... (4),

— an approved market (2) ..... (4),

— a third country (2) ..... (4);

J. they were transported directly, without passing/passing through (2) an assembly centre (2)/a place of loading (2) dealer's premises (2)/an approved frontier inspection post (2):

— from a holding (2)/from a holding to market and thence (2),

— to the actual place of loading, using means of transport and containment which had, beforehand, been cleaned and disinfected using an officially-approved disinfectant, and in such a way as to provide effective protection of the animals' health status;

K. at the time of inspection they were fit to be transported on the intended journey in accordance with the provisions of Directive 91/628/EEC (5).

VI. This certificate is valid for 10 days from the date of inspection.

Done at ..... on .....
(Date of inspection)

Stamp

.....
(Signature of the official veterinarian)

.....
(Name in and title, in block capitals)

(1) Health certificates may be drawn up only for animals which are to be transported in the same railway wagon, truck/lorry, aircraft or boat/ship, which originate from the same holding and which are being sent to the same consignee.

(2) Delete where not applicable.

(3) Give the registration number in the case of railway wagons and lorries/trucks, the flight number in the case of aircraft and the name in case of boats and ships.

(4) Where appropriate, indicate the name.

(5) This statement does not exempt transporters from their obligations in accordance with Community provisions in force in particular regarding the fitness of animals to be transported.'