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COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION
of 23 May 2003
amending Decision 2002/677/EC as regards programmes for the control of zoonotic salmonella

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(Text with EEA relevance)

(2003/394/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 90/424/EEC of 26 June 1990 on expenditure in the veterinary field [1], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 806/2003 [2], and in particular Article 24(11) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Decision 2002/677/EC of 22 August 2002 laying down standard reporting requirements for programmes of eradication and control of animal diseases co-financed by the Community and repealing Decision 2000/322/EC [3] does not cover programmes for the control of zoonotic salmonella co-financed by the Community.

(2) Decision 90/424/EEC provides that once Community rules to control zoonoses have been introduced, Member States may, as part of their national plans approved by the Commission, seek a financial contribution from the Community.

(3) Community rules to control zoonotic salmonella in poultry are laid down by Council Directive 92/117/EEC of 17 December 1992 concerning measures for protection against specified zoonoses and specified zoonotic agents in animals and products of animal origin in order to prevent outbreaks of food-borne infections and intoxications [4] as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 806/2003. Following the adoption of that Directive, the Commission approved a number of national salmonella control plans submitted by the Member States. Community co-financing has been provided for some of those approved national control plans.

(4) It is important to have in place a reporting system for the purpose of assessing progress made during the implementation of the national salmonella control programmes co-financed by the Community. It is appropriate to harmonise those reporting systems in order to collect meaningful and comparable information.

(5) This reporting system should be based on the requirements laid down in Decision 2002/677/EC. However, it is necessary to lay down certain specific reporting requirements for zoonotic salmonella.

(6) Decision 2002/677/EC should be amended accordingly.

(7) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Decision 2002/677/EC is amended as follows:

(1) in Article 4(2), the following subparagraph is added:

'In respect of zoonotic salmonella, intermediate reports shall contain at least the information specified in Annex Va.';

(2) in Article 5(2), the following subparagraph is added:

'In respect of zoonotic salmonella, the final reports shall contain at least the information specified in Annexes Va, VI and VII.';

[1] OJ L 224, 18.8.1990, p. 19.
[2] OJ L 122, 16.5.2003, p. 1.
[3] OJ L 229, 27.8.2002, p. 24.
[4] OJ L 62, 15.3.1993, p. 38.

(3) Annex I is replaced by the text in Annex I to this Decision;

(4) Annexes VI and VII are replaced by the text in Annex II to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 23 May 2003.

For the Commission
David BYRNE
Member of the Commission

ANNEX I

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REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PRELIMINARY TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL EVALUATION

Member State: .....

Date: .....

Disease/zoonosis ([a]): .....

Animal species: .....

Minimum content of the evaluation:

1. technical and financial evaluation:

1.1. confirmation that all legislation concerning the implementation of the programme was in force at the beginning of the programme (if not, evaluation of the situation);

1.2. evaluation of the implementation of budgetary requirements necessary for the running of the programme;

1.3. estimation of the money already spent in the context of the programme for the co-financed measures;

1.4. preview of the money to be spent in the whole year under report for the co-financed measures.

([a]) Disease or zoonosis and animal species, if necessary.'

ANNEX II

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DATA ON ZOONOTIC SALMONELLA

Member State: ..... Date: ..... Year: ..... Reporting period:

Intermediate report

Salmonella serotypes ([a]): ..... Animal species: ..... Region: ..... Final report

Type of flock ([b])	Total number of flocks ([c])	Total number of animals	Total number of flocks under the programme	Total number of animals under the programme	Number of flocks checked ([d])	Number of positive flocks ([e])			Number of flocks depopulated		Total number of animals slaughtered or destroyed		Quantity of eggs destroyed (number or kg)		Quantity of eggs channelled to egg products (number or kg)	
						S. Enteritidis	*S. Typhimurium*	Other serotypes	*S. E.* or *S. T.* ([f])	Other serotypes	*S. E.* or *S. T.* ([f])	Other serotypes	*S. E.* or *S. T.* ([f])	Other serotypes	*S. E.* or *S. T.* ([f])	Other serotypes

([a]) The serotypes covered by the control programmes, e.g. *S. Enteritidis, S. Typhimurium,* other serotypes.
([b]) For example breeding flocks, production flocks, laying hen flocks, etc. Flocks equals herds.
([c]) Total number of flocks existing in the region including eligible flocks and non-eligible flocks for the programme.
([d]) Check means to perform a flock level test under the programme for the presence of salmonella. In this column a flock should not be counted twice even if it has been checked more than once.
([e]) If a flock has been checked, in accordance with footnote (d), more than once, a positive sample should be taken into account only once.
([f]) *Salmonella Enteritidis* or *Salmonella Typhimurium.*

ANNEX VI

REQUIREMENTS FOR FINAL REPORTS

Member State: .....

Date: .....

Disease/zoonosis ([a]): ..... Animal species: .....

Minimum content of the report ([b])

1. Submission of data (Annexes II, III, IV, V and Va, as appropriate)
2. Technical evaluation of the situation:
   2.1. epidemiological maps for each disease/infection;
   2.2. information on diagnostic test used (table A):

Table A

Disease/species	Test ([c])	Type of sample ([d])	Type of test ([e])	Number of tests performed

   2.3. data on infection:

Disease/species	Number of herds infected	Number of animals infected

   2.4. reasons for suspension of the free or officially free status for each disease (table B):

Table B

Disease/species	Reason ([f])	Number of herds suspended

   2.5. achievement of targets and technical difficulties;
   2.6. additional epidemiological information: information on epidemiological inquiries, abortions, lesions found in abattoir or necropsy, human cases, etc.
3. Financial aspects:
   3.1. completed tables of Annex VII;
   3.2. overview over the money spent in the context of the programme;
   3.3. Detailed listing of the costs.

([a]) Disease or zoonosis and animal species if necessary.
([b]) For programmes on zoonotic salmonella only points 1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.5, 2.6, and 3 should be covered.
([c]) Indicate: skin test, RB, FC, iELISA, cELISA, isolation, PCR, bacteriological analysis, other (specify).
([d]) Indicate if necessary: blood serum, blood, plasma, milk, milk bulk tank, suspect lesion, foetus, faeces, eggs, dead chickens, meconium, others (specify).
([e]) Indicate: screening test, confirmatory test, complementary test, routine test, others (specify).
([f]) Indicate the motive:
— non-negative result in diagnostic test,
— does not fulfil the routine testing frequency,
— entering animals in the herd with insufficient status,
— the disease is suspected,
— others (specify).

ANNEX VII

FINAL FINANCIAL REPORT AND PAYMENT APPLICATION

(one table per disease (zoonosis)/species)

Member State: ..... Date: ..... Year: ..... Reporting period:

Intermediate report

Disease/zoonosis: ..... Species: ..... Final report

Region [a]	Measures eligible for co-financing [b]				
	Compensation	Laboratory analysis or other diagnostic test	Vaccines	Other (please specify)	Other (please specify)
1	2	3	4	5	6
Total					

[a] Region as defined in the approved eradication programme of the Member State.
[b] Data to be given in national currency, VAT excluded.

I certify herewith that the data given above are correct and that no other Community contribution was requested for these measures.

..... (Place, date)

..... (Signature)'