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**COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2024/1695**

**of 12 June 2024**

**concerning certain interim emergency measures relating to African swine fever in Germany**

*(notified under document C(2024) 4162)*

**(Only the German text is authentic)**

**(Text with EEA relevance)**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having 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 Law') <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 259(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) African swine fever is an infectious viral disease affecting kept and wild porcine animals and can have a severe impact on the concerned animal population and the profitability of farming causing disturbance to movements of consignments of those animals and products thereof within the Union and exports to third countries.
- (2) In the event of outbreaks of African swine fever in kept porcine animals, there is a serious risk of the spread of that disease to other establishments of kept porcine animals.
- (3) Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687 <sup>(2)</sup> supplements the rules for the control of the listed diseases referred to in Article 9(1), points (a), (b) and (c), of Regulation (EU) 2016/429, and defined as category A, B and C diseases in Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1882 <sup>(3)</sup>. In particular, Articles 21 and 22 of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687 provide for the establishment of a restricted zone in the event of an outbreak of a category A disease, including African swine fever, in kept porcine animals, and for certain measures to be applied therein. In addition, Article 21(1) of that Delegated Regulation provides that the restricted zone is to comprise a protection zone, a surveillance zone, and, if necessary, further restricted zones around or adjacent to the protection and surveillance zones.
- (4) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/594 <sup>(4)</sup> lays down special disease control measures regarding African swine fever. In particular, Article 3, point (a), of that Implementing Regulation provides for the establishment of a restricted zone in the case of an outbreak of African swine fever in kept porcine animals, in accordance with Article 21(1) of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 84, 31.3.2016, p. 1, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/429/oj>.

<sup>(2)</sup> Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687 of 17 December 2019 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and the Council, as regards rules for the prevention and control of certain listed diseases (OJ L 174, 3.6.2020, p. 64, ELI: [http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg\\_del/2020/687/oj](http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_del/2020/687/oj)).

<sup>(3)</sup> 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 (OJ L 308, 4.12.2018, p. 21, ELI: [http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg\\_impl/2018/1882/oj](http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2018/1882/oj)).

<sup>(4)</sup> Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/594 of 16 March 2023 laying down special disease control measures for African swine fever and repealing Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/605 (OJ L 79, 17.3.2023, p. 65, ELI: [http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg\\_impl/2023/594/oj](http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2023/594/oj)).

- (5) The duration of the measures to apply in a protection and a surveillance zone, as established in accordance with Annexes X and XI to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687, should be based on the epidemiological situation as regards African swine fever in the areas affected by that disease and the overall epidemiological situation of African swine fever in the Member State concerned, the level of risk for the further spread of that disease, as well as scientifically based principles and criteria for defining the duration as laid down in the African swine fever guidelines developed by the Commission and the Member States <sup>(7)</sup>. The duration of the measures should also take into account the international standards, of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code <sup>(8)</sup> of the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH).
- (6) Germany has informed the Commission of the current African swine fever situation on its territory, following the confirmation of one outbreak of that disease in kept porcine animals in the State of Mecklenburg-Vorpommern on 7 June 2024 and, in accordance with Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687 and Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/594, it has established a restricted zone, which comprises a protection and a surveillance zone, where the general disease control measures laid down in Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687 are applied, in order to prevent the further spread of that disease.
- (7) In order to prevent any unnecessary disturbance to trade within the Union and to avoid unjustified barriers to trade by third countries, it is necessary to identify at Union level the restricted zone, which comprises a protection and a surveillance zone for African swine fever in Germany in collaboration with that Member State.
- (8) Given the urgency of the epidemiological situation in the Union as regards the spread of African swine fever, it is important that the measures laid down in this Implementing Decision apply as soon as possible.
- (9) Accordingly, pending the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed, the restricted zone in Germany should be established immediately and listed in the Annex to this Decision and the duration of that zoning fixed.
- (10) This Decision is to be reviewed at the next meeting of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### *Article 1*

Germany shall ensure that:

- (a) a restricted zone which comprises a protection zone and a surveillance zone is established immediately by Germany in accordance with Article 21(1) of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687 and under conditions laid down in that Article;
- (b) the protection and surveillance zones referred to in point (a) comprise at least the areas listed in the Annex to this Decision;
- (c) the disease control measures to be applied in the protection and surveillance zones referred to in point (a) of this Article are applied until the dates specified in the Annex to this Decision.

#### *Article 2*

This Decision shall apply until 7 September 2024.

<sup>(7)</sup> Commission Notice on the guidelines on the prevention, control and eradication of African swine fever in the Union ('ASF guidelines') C/2023/7855 (OJ C, C/2023/1504, 18.12.2023, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/C/2023/1504/oj>).

<sup>(8)</sup> WOAH terrestrial code 31st Edition, 2023. Volumes I and II ISBN 978-92-95121-74-4 <https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/>.

*Article 3*

This Decision is addressed to the Federal Republic of Germany.

Done at Brussels, 12 June 2024.

*For the Commission*  
Stella KYRIAKIDES  
*Member of the Commission*

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## ANNEX

Areas established as the restricted zone in Germany as referred to in Article 1	Date until which measures are to be applied
<p>Protection zone (Article 39(1) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687):</p> <p>3 km Radius um den Ausbruchsbetrieb mit den GPS-Koordinaten 14.018538, 53.519260.</p> <p>Betroffen sind die tangierten Orte sowie Ortsteile in Gänze:</p> <p>Gemeinde Pasewalk Stadt mit Teilen der Ortsteile Gehege, Papenbeck, Pasewalk, Scheringer Siedlung, Steinbrink sowie den Ortsteilen Friedberg, Kreuzbäcksiedlung, Pasewalk Ost und Stiftshof</p>	23.8.2024
<p>Protection zone (Article 39(3) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687):</p> <p>3 km Radius um den Ausbruchsbetrieb mit den GPS-Koordinaten 14.018538, 53.519260.</p> <p>Betroffen sind die tangierten Orte sowie Ortsteile in Gänze:</p> <p>Gemeinde Pasewalk Stadt mit Teilen der Ortsteile Gehege, Papenbeck, Pasewalk, Scheringer Siedlung, Steinbrink sowie den Ortsteilen Friedberg, Kreuzbäcksiedlung, Pasewalk Ost und Stiftshof</p>	7.9.2024
<p>Surveillance zone:</p> <p>10 km Radius um den Ausbruchsbetrieb mit den GPS Koordinaten 14.018538, 53.519260.</p> <p>Betroffen sind die tangierten Orte sowie Ortsteile in Gänze:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Gemeinde Torgelow mit Teilen des Ortsteiles Drögeheide</li> <li>— Gemeinde Viereck mit den Ortsteilen Ausbau, Ernst-Thälmann-Siedlung, Kuhlorgen, Neuenkrug, Riesenbrück, Rödershorst, Stallberg, Uhlenkrug, Viereck und Waldfrieden</li> <li>— Gemeinde Koblenz mit den Ortsteilen Breitenstein, Damm, Koblenz und Peterswalde</li> <li>— Gemeinde Rothenklempenow mit einem Teil des Ortsteils Dorotheenwalde</li> <li>— Gemeinde Rossow mit Teilen des Ortsteils Rossow und dem Ortsteil Wetzzenow</li> <li>— Gemeinde Fahrenwalde mit Teilen der Ortsteile Försterei, Heidemühle und Herrmannshof sowie den Ortsteilen Bröllin, Fahrenwalde, Forsthaus und Friedrichshof</li> <li>— Gemeinde Rollwitz mit einem Teil des Ortsteils Damerow und den Ortsteilen Rollwitz, Schmarsow, Schmarsow Ausbau und Züsedom</li> <li>— Gemeinde Nieden teilweise (an der Gemeindegrenze Rollwitz)</li> <li>— Gemeinde Brietzig jeweils mit Teilen der Ortsteile Brietzig und Starkshof</li> <li>— Gemeinde Jatznick mit Teilen der Ortsteile Blumenhagen und Groß Spiegelberg sowie den Ortsteilen Albertshof, Am Berge, Ausbau, Belling, Jatznick, Mauseort, Sandförde, Waldeshöhe, Wärterhaus und Wilhelmsthal</li> <li>— Gemeinde Hammer a. d. Uecker mit Teilen der Ortsteile Försterei Ausbau und Hammer a. d. Uecker sowie den Ortsteilen Liepe und Morgenmoor</li> </ul>	7.9.2024