REGULATIONS

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2023/1125

of 8 June 2023

amending Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 as regards the entries for Canada, Chile, the United Kingdom and the United States in the lists of third countries authorised for the entry into the Union of consignments of poultry, germinal products of poultry and fresh meat of poultry and game birds

(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') ([1]), and in particular Articles 230(1) and 232(1) and (3) thereof.

Whereas:

(1) Regulation (EU) 2016/429 provides that consignments of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin must come from a third country or territory, or zone or compartment thereof, listed in accordance with Article 230(1) of that Regulation in order to enter the Union.

(2) Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692 ([2]) lays down the animal health requirements that consignments of certain species and categories of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin, from third countries or territories, or zones thereof, or compartments thereof in the case of aquaculture animals, must comply with in order to enter the Union.

(3) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 ([3]) establishes the lists of third countries, or territories, or zones or compartments thereof, from which the entry into the Union of the species and categories of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin falling within the scope of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692 is permitted.

(4) More particularly, Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 set out the lists of third countries, or territories, or zones thereof authorised for the entry into the Union, respectively, of consignments of poultry, germinal products of poultry, and of fresh meat of poultry and game birds.

(5) The United Kingdom has notified the Commission of two outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in poultry in the counties of East Sussex and Lincolnshire in England, which were confirmed on 18 May 2023 and 24 May 2023, respectively, by laboratory analysis (RT-PCR).

([1]) OJ L 84, 31.3.2016, p. 1.

([2]) Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692 of 30 January 2020 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards rules for entry into the Union, and the movement and handling after entry of consignments of certain animals, germinal products and products of animal origin (OJ L 174, 3.6.2020, p. 379).

([3]) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 of 24 March 2021 laying down the lists of third countries, territories or zones thereof from which the entry into the Union of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin is permitted in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 114, 31.3.2021, p. 1).

(6) Following those recent outbreaks of HPAI, the veterinary authorities of the United Kingdom established restricted zones of at least 10 km around the affected establishments and implemented a stamping-out policy in order to control the presence of HPAI and limit the spread of that disease.

(7) The United Kingdom has submitted information to the Commission on the epidemiological situation on its territory and the measures taken to prevent the further spread of HPAI.

(8) That information has been evaluated by the Commission. The Commision considers that, in view of the animal health situation in the areas under restrictions established by the veterinary authorities of the United Kingdom, the entry into the Union of consigments of poultry, germinal products of poultry, and fresh meat of poultry and game birds from those areas should be suspended, in order to protect the animal health status of the Union.

(9) Canada, Chile, the United Kingdom and the United States have provided updated information in relation to situations that gave rise to the suspension of the entry of some products into the Union.

(10) In particular, Canada has submitted updated information on the epidemiological situation on its territory in relation to eight outbreaks of HPAI in poultry establishments in the provinces of Ontario (2), Quebec (5) and Saskatchewan (1) which were confirmed between 26 September 2022 and 18 April 2023.

(11) In addition, Chile has submitted updated information on the epidemiological situation on its territory in relation to five outbreaks of HPAI in poultry establishments in the regions of Valparaíso (4) and O'Higgins (1), which were confirmed between 12 March 2023 and 20 April 2023.

(12) Moreover, the United Kingdom has submitted updated information on the epidemiological situation on its territory in relation to an outbreak of HPAI in poultry establishments in the county of Yorkshire in England, United Kingdom, which was confirmed on 13 April 2023.

(13) Furthermore, the United States has submitted updated information on the epidemiological situation on its territory in relation to 11 outbreaks of HPAI in poultry establishments in the states of California (1), Iowa (2), Mississippi (1), Nebraska (1), New York (1), Pennsylvania (3), South Dakota (1), Washington (1), which were confirmed between 12 December 2022 and 19 April 2023.

(14) Canada, Chile, the United Kingdom and the United States have also submitted information on the measures they have taken to prevent the further spread of HPAI. In particular, following those outbreaks of that disease, Canada, Chile, the United Kingdom and the United States have implemented a stamping out policy in order to control and limit the spread of that disease, and they have also completed the requisite cleaning and disinfection following the implementation of the stamping out policy on the infected poultry establishments on their territories.

(15) The Commission has evaluated the information submitted by Canada, Chile, the United Kingdom and the United States. The Commission considers that Canada, Chile, the United Kingdom and the United States have provided appropriate guarantees that the animal health situation that gave rise to the suspensions, no longer represents a threat to animal or public health within the Union, and that, consequently, the entry into the Union of poultry commodities from the zones of those countries from which entry into the Union had been suspended should be reauthorised.

(16) Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 should be therefore amended to take account of the current epidemiological situation as regards HPAI in Canada, Chile, the United Kingdom and the United States.

(17) Taking into account the current epidemiological situation in Canada, Chile, the United Kingdom and the United States as regards HPAI and the serious risk of its introduction into the Union, the amendments to be made to Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 by this Regulation should take effect as a matter of urgency.

(18) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 are amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 8 June 2023.

For the Commission
The President
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

ANNEX

Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 are amended as follows:

(1) Annex V is amended as follows:

(a) in Part 1, Section B is amended as follows:

(i) in the entry for Canada, the row for the zone CA-2.100 is replaced by the following:

‘**CA** Canada	CA-2.100	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		26.9.2023	5.6.2023’;

(ii) in the entry for Canada, the row for the zone CA-2.174 is replaced by the following:

‘**CA** Canada	CA-2.174	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		8.2.2023	29.5.2023’;

(iii) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zones CA-2.176, CA-2.177 and CA-2.178 are replaced by the following:

‘**CA** Canada	CA-2.176	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		10.3.2023	29.5.2023
	CA-2.177	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		14.3.2023	29.5.2023
	CA-2.178	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		27.3.2023	29.5.2023’;

(iv) in the entry for Canada, the row for the zone CA-2.180 is replaced by the following:

‘**CA** Canada	CA-2.180	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		4.4.2023	5.6.2023’;

(v) in the entry for Canada, the row for the zone CA-2.183 is replaced by the following:

‘**CA** Canada	CA-2.183	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		12.4.2023	29.5.2023’;

(vi) in the entry for Canada, the row for the zone CA-2.186 is replaced by the following:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.186	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		18.4.2023	5.6.2023';

(vii) in the entry for Chile, the row for the zone CL-2.1 is replaced by the following:

'**CL** Chile	Cl-2.1	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		12.3.2023	31.5.2023';

(viii) in the entry for Chile, the row for the zone CL-2.4 is replaced by the following:

'**CL** Chile	Cl-2.4	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		30.3.2022	31.5.2023';

(ix) in the entry for Chile, the rows for the zones CL-2.7, CL-2.8 and CL-2.9 are replaced by the following:

'**CL** Chile	Cl-2.7	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		14.4.2023	31.5.2023
	Cl-2.8	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		18.4.2023	31.5.2023
	Cl-2.9	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		20.4.2023	31.5.2023';

(x) in the entry for the United Kingdom, the row for the zone GB-2.299 is replaced by the following:

'**GB** United Kingdom	GB-2.299	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		13.4.2023	21.5.2023';

(xi) in the entry for the United Kingdom, the following rows for the zones GB-2.304 and GB-2.305 are added after the row for the zone GB-2.303:

'**GB** United Kingdom	GB-2.304	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		18.5.2023	
	GB-2.305	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		24.5.2023';	

(xii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.379 is replaced by the following:

‘**US** United States	US-2.379	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		12.12.2022	24.5.2023’;

(xiii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.385 is replaced by the following:

‘**US** United States	US-2.385	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		14.12.2022	30.5.2023’;

(xiv) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.394 is replaced by the following:

‘**US** United States	US-2.394	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		22.12.2022	3.6.2023’;

(xv) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.397 is replaced by the following:

‘**US** United States	US-2.397	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		30.12.2022	29.5.2023’;

(xvi) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.406 is replaced by the following:

‘**US** United States	US-2.406	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		25.1.2023	25.5.2023’;

(xvii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.410 is replaced by the following:

‘**US** United States	US-2.410	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		7.2.2023	18.5.2023’;

(xviii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.415 is replaced by the following:

'**US** United States	US-2.415	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		21.2.2023	20.5.2023';

(xix) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.430 is replaced by the following:

'**US** United States	US-2.430	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		3.3.2023	20.5.2023';

(xx) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.442 is replaced by the following:

'**US** United States	US-2.442	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		16.3.2023	1.6.2023';

(xxi) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zones US-2.453 and US-2.454 are replaced by the following:

'**US** United States	US-2.453	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		18.4.2023	20.5.2023
	US-2.454	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		19.4.2023	4.6.2023';

(b) Part 2 is amended as follows:

(i) in the entry for the United Kingdom, the following descriptions of the zones GB-2.304 and GB-2.305 are added after the description of the zone GB-2.303:

'United Kingdom	GB-2.304	near Uckfield, Wealden, East Sussex, England, GB The area contained with a circle of a radius of 3km, centred on WGS84 dec, coordinates Lat: N50.92 and Long: E0.18
	GB-2.305	near Scunthorpe, North Lincolnshire, Lincolnshire, England, GB The area contained with a circle of a radius of 10km, centred on WGS84 dec, coordinates Lat: N53.54 and Long: W0.69';

(2) in Annex XIV, in Part 1, Section B is amended as follows:

(i) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zone CA-2.100 are replaced by the following:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.100	POU, RAT	N, P1		26.9.2023	5.6.2023
		GBM	P1		26.9.2023	5.6.2023';

(ii) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zone CA-2.174 are replaced by the following:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.174	POU, RAT	N, P1		8.2.2023	29.5.2023
		GBM	P1		8.2.2023	29.5.2023';

(iii) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zones CA-2.176, CA-2.177 and CA-2.178 are replaced by the following:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.176	POU, RAT	N, P1		10.3.2023	29.5.2023
		GBM	P1		10.3.2023	29.5.2023
	CA-2.177	POU, RAT	N, P1		14.3.2023	29.5.2023
		GBM	P1		14.3.2023	29.5.2023
	CA-2.178	POU, RAT	N, P1		27.3.2023	29.5.2023
		GBM	P1		27.3.2023	29.5.2023';

(iv) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zone CA-2.180 are replaced by the following:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.180	POU, RAT	N, P1		4.4.2023	5.6.2023
		GBM	P1		4.4.2023	5.6.2023';

(v) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zone CA-2.183 are replaced by the following:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.183	POU, RAT	N, P1		12.4.2023	29.5.2023
		GBM	P1		12.4.2023	29.5.2023';

(vi) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zone CA-2.186 are replaced by the following:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.186	POU, RAT	N, P1		18.4.2023	5.6.2023
		GBM	P1		18.4.2023	5.6.2023';

(vii) in the entry for Chile, the rows for the zone CL-2.1 are replaced by the following:

'**CL** Chile	CL-2.1	POU, RAT	N, P1		12.3.2023	31.5.2023
		GBM	P1		12.3.2023	31.5.2023';

(viii) in the entry for Chile, the rows for the zone CL-2.4 are replaced by the following:

'**CL** Chile	CL-2.4	POU, RAT	N, P1		30.3.2022	31.5.2023
		GBM	P1		30.3.2022	31.5.2023';

(ix) in the entry for Chile, the rows for the zones CL-2.7, CL-2.8 and CL-2.9 are replaced by the following:

'**CL** Chile	CL-2.7	POU, RAT	N, P1		14.4.2023	31.5.2023
		GBM	P1		14.4.2023	31.5.2023
	CL-2.8	POU, RAT	N, P1		18.4.2023	31.5.2023
		GBM	P1		18.4.2023	31.5.2023
	CL-2.9	POU, RAT	N, P1		20.4.2023	31.5.2023
		GBM	P1		20.4.2023	31.5.2023';

(x) in the entry for the United Kingdom, the rows for the zone GB-2.299 are replaced by the following:

'**GB** United Kingdom	GB-2.299	POU, RAT	N, P1		13.4.2023	21.5.2023
		GBM	P1		13.4.2023	21.5.2023';

(xi) in the entry for the United Kingdom, the following rows for the zones GB-2.304 and GB-2.305 are added after the row for the zone GB-2.303:

‘**GB** United Kingdom	GB-2.304	POU, RAT	N, P1		18.5.2023	
		GBM	P1		18.5.2023	
	GB-2.305	POU, RAT	N, P1		24.5.2023	
		GBM	P1		24.5.2023;’	

(xii) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.379 are replaced by the following:

‘**US** United States	US-2.379	POU, RAT	N, P1		12.12.2022	24.5.2023
		GBM	P1		12.12.2022	24.5.2023’;

(xiii) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.385 are replaced by the following:

‘**US** United States	US-2.385	POU, RAT	N, P1		14.12.2022	30.5.2023
		GBM	P1		14.12.2022	30.5.2023’;

(xiv) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.394 are replaced by the following:

‘**US** United States	US-2.394	POU, RAT	N, P1		22.12.2022	3.6.2023
		GBM	P1		22.12.2022	3.6.2023’;

(xv) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.397 are replaced by the following:

‘**US** United States	US-2.397	POU, RAT	N, P1		30.12.2022	29.5.2023
		GBM	P1		30.12.2022	29.5.2023’;

(xvi) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.406 are replaced by the following:

‘**US** United States	US-2.406	POU, RAT	N, P1		25.1.2023	25.5.2023
		GBM	P1		25.1.2023	25.5.2023’;

(xvii) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.410 are replaced by the following:

'**US** United States	US-2.410	POU, RAT	N, P1		7.2.2023	18.5.2023
		GBM	P1		7.2.2023	18.5.2023';

(xviii) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.415 are replaced by the following:

'**US** United States	US-2.415	POU, RAT	N, P1		21.2.2023	20.5.2023
		GBM	P1		21.2.2023	20.5.2023';

(xix) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.430 are replaced by the following:

'**US** United States	US-2.430	POU, RAT	N, P1		3.3.2023	20.5.2023
		GBM	P1		3.3.2023	20.5.2023';

(xx) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.442 are replaced by the following:

'**US** United States	US-2.442	POU, RAT	N, P1		16.3.2023	1.6.2023
		GBM	P1		16.3.2023	1.6.2023';

(xxi) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zones US-2.453 and US-2.454 are replaced by the following:

'**US** United States	US-2.453	POU, RAT	N, P1		18.4.2023	20.5.2023
		GBM	P1		18.4.2023	20.5.2023
	US-2.454	POU, RAT	N, P1		19.4.2023	4.6.2023
		GBM	P1		19.4.2023	4.6.2023'.