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COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2024/834

of 5 March 2024

amending Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 as regards the entries for Canada and the United States in the lists of third countries authorised for the entry into the Union of consignments of poultry and germinal products of poultry, and of 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⁾ lays down the lists of third countries, or territories, or zones 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. Those lists and certain general rules concerning those lists are set out in Annexes I to XXII to that Regulation.
- (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 and germinal products of poultry, and of fresh meat of poultry and game birds.
- (5) The United States has notified the Commission of five outbreaks of HPAI in poultry in the states of Missouri (4) and North Carolina (1), which were confirmed between 20 February 2024 and 23 February 2024 by laboratory analysis (RT-PCR).
- (6) Following these recent outbreaks of HPAI, the veterinary authority of the United States established restricted zones of at least 10 km around the affected establishments and implemented a stamping-out policy to control the presence of HPAI and limit the spread of that disease.

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

⁽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, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_del/2020/692/oj).

⁽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, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2021/404/oj).

- (7) The United States 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 Commission considers that, in view of the animal health situation in the areas under restrictions established by the veterinary authority of the United States, the entry into the Union of consignments of poultry and germinal products of poultry, and of 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) In addition, Canada and the United States have provided updated information to the Commission in relation to the epidemiological situation on their territories as regards HPAI that gave rise to the suspension of the entry of certain products into the Union, as set out in Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404.
- (10) Canada has submitted updated information on the epidemiological situation in relation to one outbreak of HPAI in the province of Quebec, which was confirmed on 4 December 2023 by laboratory analysis (RT-PCR).
- (11) The United States has submitted updated information on the epidemiological situation in relation to 23 outbreaks of HPAI in poultry establishments in the states of Arkansas (1), California (2), Kansas (1), Maryland (1), Minnesota (12), Ohio (3), and Wisconsin (3), which were confirmed between 17 October 2023 and 27 December 2023.
- (12) Canada and the United States have also submitted information on the measures they have taken to prevent the further spread of HPAI. In particular, following the outbreaks of HPAI, Canada and the United States have implemented a stamping out policy in order to control and limit the spread of that disease, and also completed the requisite cleaning and disinfection following the implementation of the stamping out policy on the infected poultry establishments on their territories.
- (13) The Commission has evaluated the information submitted by Canada and the United States, and considers that they have provided appropriate guarantees that the animal health situation that gave rise to the suspension of the entry of consignments of certain products into the Union from the concerned zones in those third countries, as set out in Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404, no longer represents a threat to animal or public health within the Union, and that, consequently, the entry into the Union of those consignments from the concerned zones of Canada and the United States, from which entry into the Union had been suspended, should be reauthorised.
- (14) Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 should, therefore, be amended to take account of the current epidemiological situation as regards HPAI in Canada and the United States.
- (15) Taking into account the current epidemiological situation in the United States as regards HPAI, and in order to avoid unnecessary disruption in trade with Canada and the United States, 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.
- (16) 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***Entry into force and applicability**

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, 5 March 2024.

For the Commission
The President
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

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-2.225 is replaced by the following:

‘CA Canada	CA-2.225	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		4.12.2023	23.2.2024’
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(ii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.466 is replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.466	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		17.10.2023	18.2.2024’
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(iii) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zones US-2.470 and US-2.471 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.470	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		18.10.2023	7.2.2024
	US-2.471		N, P1		19.10.2023	18.2.2024’

(iv) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.499 is replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.499	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		9.11.2023	7.2.2024’
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(v) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.507 is replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.507	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		14.11.2023	7.2.2024’
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(vi) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.516 is replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.516	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		20.11.2023	18.2.2024'
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(vii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.526 is replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.526	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		16.11.2023	22.2.2024'
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(viii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.530 is replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.530	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		22.11.2023	21.2.2024'
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(ix) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.532 is replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.532	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		24.11.2023	22.2.2024'
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(x) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.535 is replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.535	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		21.11.2023	14.2.2024'
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(xi) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zones US-2.544 and US-2.545 are replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.544	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		29.11.2023	21.2.2024
	US-2.545		N, P1		29.11.2023	18.2.2024'

(xii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.552 is replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.552	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		28.11.2023	21.2.2024'
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(xiii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.554 is replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.554	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		1.12.2023	21.2.2024'
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(xiv) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zones US-2.556 and US-2.557 are replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.556	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		4.12.2023	25.2.2024
	US-2.557		N, P1		4.12.2023	23.2.2024'

(xv) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zones US-2.566 and US-2.567 are replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.566	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		5.12.2023	14.2.2024
	US-2.567		N, P1		6.12.2023	18.2.2024'

(xvi) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.569 is replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.569	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		8.12.2023	23.2.2024'
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(xvii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.572 is replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.572	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		7.12.2023	21.2.2024'
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(xviii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.580 is replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.580	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		12.12.2023	25.2.2024'
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(xix) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.587 is replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.587	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		19.12.2023	18.2.2024'
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(xx) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.600 is replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.600	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		27.12.2023	24.2.2024'
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(xxi) in the entry for the United States, the following rows for the zones US-2.626 to US-2.630 are added after the row for the zone US-2.625:

'US United States	US-2.626	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		21.2.2024	
	US-2.627		N, P1		21.2.2024	
	US-2.628		N, P1		21.2.2024	
	US-2.629		N, P1		20.2.2024	
	US-2.630		N, P1		23.2.2024'	

(b) in Part 2, in the entry for the United States, the following descriptions of the zones US-2.626 to US-2-630 are added after the description of the zone US-2.625:

'United States	US-2.626	State of Missouri Dallas 01 Dallas County: A circular zone of a 10 km radius starting with North point (GPS coordinates: 93.1531182°W 37.6819447°N)
	US-2.627	State of Missouri Dallas 02 Dallas County: A circular zone of a 10 km radius starting with North point (GPS coordinates: 93.1474217°W 37.6711047°N)

	US-2.628	State of Missouri Dallas 03 Dallas County: A circular zone of a 10 km radius starting with North point (GPS coordinates: 93.1192152°W 37.6970134°N)
	US-2.629	State of North Carolina Duplin 01 Duplin County: A circular zone of a 10 km radius starting with North point (GPS coordinates: 77.8128097°W 35.2509513°N)
	US-2.630	State of Missouri Dallas 04 Dallas County: A circular zone of a 10 km radius starting with North point (GPS coordinates: 93.1544521°W 37.6362354°N)

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

(a) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zone CA-2.225 are replaced by the following:

'CA Canada	CA-2.225	POU, RAT	N, P1		4.12.2023	23.2.2024
		GBM	P1		4.12.2023	23.2.2024'

(b) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.466 are replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.466	POU, RAT	N, P1		17.10.2023	18.2.2024
		GBM	P1		17.10.2023	18.2.2024'

(c) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zones US-2.470 and US-2.471 are replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.470	POU, RAT	N, P1		18.10.2023	7.2.2024
		GBM	P1		18.10.2023	7.2.2024
	US-2.471	POU, RAT	N, P1		19.10.2023	18.2.2024
		GBM	P1		19.10.2023	18.2.2024'

(d) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.499 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.499	POU, RAT	N, P1		9.11.2023	7.2.2024
		GBM	P1		9.11.2023	7.2.2024’

(e) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.507 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.507	POU, RAT	N, P1		14.11.2023	7.2.2024
		GBM	P1		14.11.2023	7.2.2024’

(f) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.516 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.516	POU, RAT	N, P1		20.11.2023	18.2.2024
		GBM	P1		20.11.2023	18.2.2024’

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		GBM	P1		16.11.2023	22.2.2024’

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		GBM	P1		24.11.2023	22.2.2024’

(j) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.535 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.535	POU, RAT	N, P1		21.11.2023	14.2.2024
		GBM	P1		21.11.2023	14.2.2024’

(k) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zones US-2.544 and US-2.545 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.544	POU, RAT	N, P1		29.11.2023	21.2.2024
		GBM	P1		29.11.2023	21.2.2024
	US-2.545	POU, RAT	N, P1		29.11.2023	18.2.2024
		GBM	P1		29.11.2023	18.2.2024’

(l) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.552 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.552	POU, RAT	N, P1		28.11.2023	21.2.2024
		GBM	P1		28.11.2023	21.2.2024’

(m) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.554 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.554	POU, RAT	N, P1		1.12.2023	21.2.2024
		GBM	P1		1.12.2023	21.2.2024’

(n) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zones US-2.556 and US-2.557 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.556	POU, RAT	N, P1		4.12.2023	25.2.2024
		GBM	P1		4.12.2023	25.2.2024
	US-2.557	POU, RAT	N, P1		4.12.2023	23.2.2024
		GBM	P1		4.12.2023	23.2.2024’

(o) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zones US-2.566 and US-2.567 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.566	POU, RAT	N, P1		5.12.2023	14.2.2024
		GBM	P1		5.12.2023	14.2.2024
	US-2.567	POU, RAT	N, P1		6.12.2023	18.2.2024
		GBM	P1		6.12.2023	18.2.2024’

(p) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.569 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.569	POU, RAT	N, P1		8.12.2023	23.2.2024
		GBM	P1		8.12.2023	23.2.2024’

(q) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.572 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.572	POU, RAT	N, P1		7.12.2023	21.2.2024
		GBM	P1		7.12.2023	21.2.2024’

(r) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.580 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.580	POU, RAT	N, P1		12.12.2023	25.2.2024
		GBM	P1		12.12.2023	25.2.2024’

(s) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.587 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.587	POU, RAT	N, P1		19.12.2023	18.2.2024
		GBM	P1		19.12.2023	18.2.2024’

(t) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.600 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.600	POU, RAT	N, P1		27.12.2023	24.2.2024
		GBM	P1		27.12.2023	24.2.2024’

(u) in the entry for the United States, the following rows for the zones US-2.626 to US-2.630 are added after the rows for the zone US-2.625:

‘US United States	US-2.626	POU, RAT	N, P1		21.2.2024	
		GBM	P1		21.2.2024	
	US-2.627	POU, RAT	N, P1		21.2.2024	
		GBM	P1		21.2.2024	
	US-2.628	POU, RAT	N, P1		21.2.2024	
		GBM	P1		21.2.2024	
	US-2.629	POU, RAT	N, P1		20.2.2024	
		GBM	P1		20.2.2024	
	US-2.630	POU, RAT	N, P1		23.2.2024	
		GBM	P1		23.2.2024’	