#### **COMMISSION DECISION**

#### of 3 December 2004

## amending Annex I and II to Council Decision 79/542/EEC as regards the updating of the import conditions and model health certificates relating to wild and farmed game meat

(notified under document number C(2004) 4554)

#### (Text with EEA relevance)

(2004/882/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 or meat products from third countries, and in particular Article 3(1), last sentence, Article 11(2) and Article 16(1) thereof.

Having regard to Council Directive 2002/99/EC of 16 December 2002 laying down the animal health rules governing the production, processing, distribution and introduction of products of animal origin for human consumption (2), and in particular Article 8(1) and (4) and Article 9(4)(b) thereof,

#### Whereas:

- Council Decision 79/542/EEC of 21 December 1979 (1) draws up a list of third countries or parts of third countries, and lays down animal and public health and veterinary certification conditions, for importation into the Community of certain live animals and their fresh meat  $(^3)$ .
- Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of the European (2) Parliament and of the Council of 22 May 2001 laying down rules for the prevention, control and eradication of certain transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (4), has been recently amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1471/2004 (5), in order to take account of the risk related to chronic wasting disease in wild and farmed cervids. Requirements on imports of fresh meat of cervids originating in the United States and in Canada have been inserted in the Regulation and will enter into force as from 1 January 2005.
- It is necessary to align the animal health certificates Models 'RUW' and 'RUF' in Annex II to Decision (3) 79/542/EEC with the updated TSE rules.
- (1) OJ L 302, 31.12.1972, p. 28. Directive, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 807/2003 (OJ L 122, 16.5.2003, p. 36).
- (2) OJ L 18, 23.1.2002, p. 11. (3) OJ L 146, 14.6.1979, p. 15. As last amended by Decision 2004/620/EC (OJ L 279, 28.8.2004, p. 30).
- (4) OJ L 147, 31.5.2001, p. 1. as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1993/2004 (OJ L 344, 20.11.2004, p. 12).
- (5) OJ L 271, 18.8.2004, p. 24.

- Chronic Wasting Disease is relevant only for certain animal species. It is therefore opportune to review the current restrictions on imports of 'other ruminants' from Canada in order to allow import of live ruminants with the exception of cervidae.
- The Commission has been formally requested by the (5) Chilenian authorities to list Chile for export of of fresh farmed 'wild boar' meat. Chile is authorised to export suidae, non-domestic suidae and meat of domestic porcine animals because of its satisfactory animal health situation assessed by several inspections of the Food and Veterinary Office, and therefore it is appropriate to list Chile for exportation of meat of farmed non-domestic suidae.
- The definition of the territory of Serbia and Montenegro (6)should be reviewed in order to fully reflect the United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 of 10 June 1999.
- (7) Part 1 of Annex I and part 1 and part 2 of Annex II to Decision 79/542/EEC should be amended accordingly.
- 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

Part 1 of Annex I to Decision 79/542/EEC is replaced by the text in Annex I to this decision.

## Article 2

Part 1 of Annex II to Decision 79/542/EEC is replaced by the text in Annex II to this Decision.

## Article 3

Part 2 of Annex II to Decision 79/542/EEC is amended as follows:

- 1. 'SG (Supplementary guarantees)' are replaced by text in Annex III to this decision.
- 2. Health certificate models RUF and RUW are replaced by the models in Annex IV to this Decision.

#### Article 4

Articles 1 and 2 of this Decision shall apply from 24 December 2004.

Article 3 shall apply from 1 January 2005.

## Article 5

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 3 December 2004.

For the Commission

Markos KYPRIANOU

Member of the Commission

# ANNEX I

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# LIVE ANIMALS

# PART 1

# List of third countries or parts thereof (\*)

	Code of		Veterinary cert	ificate	Specific	
Country	Territory	Description of territory	Model(s)	SG	conditions	
1	2	3	4	5	6	
BG — Bulgaria	BG-0	Whole country	_			
	BG-1	The provinces of Varna, Dobrich, Silistra, Choumen, Targovitchte, Razgrad, Rousse, V. Tarnovo, Gabrovo, Pleven, Lovetch, Plovdic, Smolian, Pasardjik, Sofia distric, Sofia city, Pernik, Kustendil, Blagoevgrad, Sliven, Starazagora, Vratza, Montana and Vidin	BOV-X, BOV-Y, RUM, OVI-X, OVI-Y	A		
CA — Canada	CA-0	Whole country	POR-X		IVb IX	
	CA-1	Whole country except the Okanagan Valley region of British Columbia described as follows:  — from a point on the Canada/United States border 120° 15′ longitude, 49° latitude  — northerly to a point 119° 35′ longitude, 50° 30′ latitude  — north-easterly to a point 119° longitude, 50° 45′ latitude  — southerly to a point on the Canada/ United States border 118° 15′ longitude, 49° latitude	BOV-X, OVI-X, OVI-Y, RUM (**)	A		
CH — Switzerland	CH-0	Whole country	BOV-X, BOV-Y, OVI-X, OVI-Y, RUM	В		
			POR-Y, SUI	Б		
CL — Chile	CL-0	Whole country	OVI-X, RUM			
			POR-X, SUI	В		
GL — Greenland	GL-0	Whole country	OVI-X, RUM		V	
HR — Croatia	HR-0	Whole country	BOV-X, BOV-Y, RUM, OVI-X, OVI-Y			

1	2	3	4	5	6
IS — Iceland	IS-0	Whole country	BOV-X, BOV-Y, RUM, OVI-X, OVI-Y		I
			POR-X, POR-Y	В	
NZ — New Zealand	NZ-0	Whole country	BOV-X, BOV-Y, RUM, POR-X, POR-Y, OVI-X,		I
PM — St Pierre and Miquelon	PM-0	Whole country	BOV-X, BOV-Y, RUM, OVI-X, OVI-Y, CAM		
RO — Romania	RO-0	Whole country	BOV-X, BOV-Y, RUM, OVI-X, OVI-Y		V

<sup>(\*)</sup> Without prejudice to specific certification requirements provided for by any relevant Community agreement with third countries. (\*\*) Exclusively for live animals other than animals belonging to the cervidae species.

## Specific conditions

(see footnotes in each certificate)

- "I": territory where the presence of BSE in native cattle has been assessed as highly unlikely, for the purpose of exporting to the European Community animals certified according to the models of certificate BOV-X and BOV-Y
- "II": territory recognised as having an official tuberculosis-free status for the purposes of exports to the European Community of animals certified according to the model of certificate BOV-X
- "III": territory recognised as having an official brucellosis-free status for the purposes of exports to the European Community of animals certified according to the model of certificate BOV-X
- "IVa": territory recognised as having an official enzootic-bovine-leukosis (EBL) free status for the purposes of exports to the European Community of animals certified according to the model of certificate BOV-X
- "IVb": territory with approved holdings recognised as having an official enzootic-bovine-leukosis (EBL) free status for the purposes of exports to the European Community of animals certified according to the model of certificate BOV-X
- "V": territory recognised as having an official brucellosis-free status for the purposes of exports to the European Community of animals certified according to the model of certificate OVI-X
- "VI": geographical constraints
- "VII": territory recognised as having an official tuberculosis-free status for the purposes of exports to the European Community of animals certified according to the model of certificate RUM
- "VIII": territory recognised as having an official brucellosis-free status for the purposes of exports to the European Community of animals certified according to the model of certificate RUM
- "IX": territory recognised as having an official Aujeszky's disease -free status for the purposes of exports to the European Community of animals certified according to the model of certificate POR-X.'

# ANNEX II

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## FRESH MEAT

# PART 1

# List of third countries or parts thereof (\*)

Country	Code of	Description of territory	Veterinar certificate		Specific
Country	Territory	Description of territory	Model(s) SG condit		conditions
1	2	3	4	5	6
AL — Albania	AL-0	Whole country			
AR — Argentina	AR-0	Whole country	EQU		
	AR-1	The Provinces of Buenos Aires, Catamarca, Corrientes, Entre Ríos, La Rioja, Mendoza, Misiones, Neuquen, Rio Negro, San Juan, San Luis, Santa Fe, and Tucuman.	BOV	A	1 and 2
	AR-2	La Pampa and Santiago del Estero	BOV	A	1 and 2
	AR-3	Cordoba	BOV	A	1 and 2
	AR-4	Chubut, Santa Cruz and Tierra del Fuego	BOV, OVI		
	AR-5	Formosa (only the territory of Ramon Lista) and Salta (only the department of Rivadavia)	BOV	A	1 and 2
	AR-6	Salta (only the departments of General Jose de San Martin, Oran, Iruya, and Santa Victoria)	BOV	A	1 and 2
	AR-7	Chaco, Formosa (except the territory of Ramon Lista), Salta (except the departments of General Jose de San Martin, Rivadavia, Oran, Iruya, and Santa Victoria), Jujuy	BOV	A	1 and 2
AU — Australia	AU-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, POR, EQU, RUF, RUW, SUF, SUW		
BA — Bosnia Hercegovina	BA-0	Whole country	_		
BG — Bulgaria	BG-0	Whole country	EQU		
	BG-1	The provinces of Varna, Dobrich, Silistra, Choumen, Targovitchte, Razgrad, Rousse, V.Tarnovo, Gabrovo, Pleven, Lovetch, Plovdic, Smolian, Pasardjik, Sofia district, Sofia city, Pernik, Kustendil, Blagoevgrad, Vratza, Montana and Vidin	BOV, OVI RUW, RUF		
	BG-2	The provinces of Bourgas, Jambol, Sliven, Starazagora, Hasskovo, Kardjaliand and the 20 km-wide corridor on the border with Turkey	_		

1	2	3	4	5	6
BH — Bahrain	BH-0	Whole country	_		
BR — Brazil	BR-0	Whole country	EQU		
	BR-1	States of Paraná, Minas Gerais (except regional delegations of Oliveira, Passos, São Gonçalo de Sapucai, Setelagoas and Bambuí), São Paulo, Espíritu Santo, Mato Grosso do Sul (except for the municipalities of Sete Quedas, Sonora, Aquidauana, Bodoqueno, Bonito, Caracol, Coxim, Jardim, Ladario, Miranda, Pedro Gomes, Porto Murtinho, Rio Negro, Rio Verde of Mato Grosso and Corumbá), Santa Catarina, Goias and the regional units of Cuiaba (except for the municipalities of San Antonio de Leverger, Nossa Senhora do Livramento, Pocone and Barão de Melgaço), Caceres (except for the municipality of Caceres), Lucas do Rio Verde, Rondonopolis (except for the municipality of Itiquiora), Barra do Garça and Barra do Burges in Mato Grosso.	BOV	A	1 and 2
	BR-2	State of Rio Grande do Sul	BOV	A	1 and 2
	BR-3	State of Mato Grosso do Sul, municipality of Sete Quedas	BOV	A	1 and 2
BW — Botswana	BW-0	Whole country	EQU, EQW		
	BW-1	The veterinary disease control zones 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 18	BOV, OVI, RUF, RUW	F	1 and 2
	BW-2	The veterinary disease control zones 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14	BOV, OVI, RUF, RUW	F	1 and 2
BY — Belarus	BY-0	Whole country	_		
BZ — Belize	BZ-0	Whole country	BOV, EQU		
CA — Canada	CA-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, POR, EQU, SUF, SUW, RUF, RUW	G	
CH — Switzerland	CH-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, POR, EQU, RUF, RUW, SUF, SUW		
CL — Chile	CL-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, POR, EQU, RUF, RUW, SUF		
CN — China (People's Republic of)	CN-0	Whole country	_		

1 2		3	4	5	6
CO — Colombia	CO-0	Whole country	EQU		
	CO-1	The zone included within the borderlines from the point where the Murri River flows into the Atrato River, downstream along the Atrato River to where it flows into the Atlantic Ocean from this point to the Panamanian border following the Atlantic coast-line to Cabo Tiburón; from this point to the Pacific Ocean following the Columbian-Panamanian border; from this point to the mouth of the Valle River along the Pacific coast and from this point along a straight line to the point where the Murri River flows into the Atrato River.	BOV	A	2
	CO-3	The zone included within the borderlines from the mouth of the Sinu River on the Atlantic Ocean, upstream along the Sinu River to its head-Waters of Alto Paramillo, from this point to Puerto Rey on the Atlantic Ocean, following the borderline between the Department of Antiquia and Córdoba, and from this point to the mouth of the Sinu River along the Atlantic coast.	BOV	A	2
CR — Costa Rica	CR-0	Whole country	BOV, EQU		
CS — Serbia and Montenegro (**)	CS-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, EQU		
CU — Cuba	CU-0	Whole country	BOV, EQU		
DZ — Algeria	DZ-0	Whole country	1		
ET — Ethiopia	ET-0	Whole country	1		
FK — Falkland Islands	FK-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, EQU		
GL — Greenland	GL-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, EQU, RUF, RUW		
GT — Guatemala	GT-0	Whole country	BOV, EQU		
HK — Hong Kong	HK-0	Whole country	_		
HN — Honduras	HN-0	Whole country	BOV, EQU		
HR — Croatia	HR-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, EQU, RUF, RUW		
IL — Israel	IL-0	Whole country	_		

1	2	3	4	5	6
IN — India	IN-0	Whole country	_		
IS — Iceland	IS-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, EQU, RUF, RUW		
KE — Kenya	KE-0	Whole country	_		
MA — Morocco	MA-0	Whole country	EQU		
MG — Madagascar	MG-0	Whole country			
(MK) — Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (***)	Yugoslav Republic of		OVI, EQU		
MU — Mauritius	MU-0	Whole country	_		
MX — Mexico	MX-0	Whole country	BOV, EQU		
NA — Namibia	NA-0	Whole country	EQU, EQW		
	NA-1	South of the cordon fences which extend from Palgrave Point in the west to Gam in the east	BOV, OVI, RUF, RUW	F	2
NC — New Caledonia	NC-0	Whole country	BOV, RUF, RUW		
NI — Nicaragua	NI-0	Whole country	_		
NZ — New Zealand	NZ-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, POR, EQU, RUF, RUW, SUF, SUW		
PA — Panama	PA-0	Whole country	BOV, EQU		
PY — Paraguay	PY-0	Whole country	EQU		
	PY-1	Chaco central and San Pedro areas	BOV	A	1 and 2
RO — Romania	RO-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, EQU, RUW, RUF		
RU — Russian Federation	RU-0	Whole country	_		
·	RU-1	Region of Murmansk (Murmanskaya oblast)	RUF		
SV — El Salvador	SV-0	Whole country			

1	2	3	4	5	6
SZ — Swaziland	SZ-0	Whole country	EQU, EQW		
	SZ-1	Area west of the "red line" fences which extends northwards from the river Usutu to the frontier with South Africa west of Nkalashane,	BOV, RUF, RUW	F	2
	SZ-2	The veterinary foot and mouth surveillance and vaccination control areas as gazetted as a Statutory Instrument under legal notice number 51 of 2001	BOV, RUF, RUW	F	1 and 2
TH — Thailand	TH-0	Whole country	_		
TN — Tunisia	TN-0	Whole country	_		
TR — Turkey	TR-0	Whole country	_		
	TR-1	The provinces of Amasya, Ankara, Aydin, Balikesir, Bursa, Cankiri, Corum, Denizli, Izmir, Kastamonu, Kutahya, Manisa, Usak, Yozgat and Kirikkale	EQU		
UA — Ukraine	UA-0	Whole country	_		
US — United States of America	US-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, POR, EQU, SUF, SUW, RUF, RUW	G	
UY — Uruguay			EQU		
	UY-0	Whole country	BOV	A	1
			OVI	A	1 and 2
ZA — South Africa	ZA-0	Whole country	EQU, EQW		
	ZA-1	The whole country except:  — the part of the foot-and-mouth disease control area situated in the veterinary regions of Mpumalanga and northern provinces, in the district of Ingwavuma of the veterinary region of Natal and in the border area with Botswana east of longitude 28°, and  — the district of Camperdown, in the province of KwaZuluNatal	BOV, OVI, Ruf, Ruw	F	2
ZW — Zimbabwe	ZW-0	Whole country	_		

 <sup>(\*)</sup> Without prejudice to specific certification requirements provided for by Community agreements with third countries.
 (\*\*) Not including Kosovo as defined by United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 of 10 June 1999.
 (\*\*\*) Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; provisional code that does not affect the definitive denomination of the country to be attributed after the conclusion of the negotiations currently taking place in the United Nations.
 = No certificate laid down and fresh meat imports are prohibited'.

#### ANNEX III

#### SG (Supplementary guarantees)

- 'A': guarantees regarding the maturation, pH measurement and boning of fresh meat, excluding offal, certified according to the models of certificates BOV (point 10.6), OVI (point 10.6), RUF (point 10.7) and RUW (point 10.4).
- B': guarantees regarding matured trimmed offal as described in the model of certificate BOV (point 10.6).
- 'C': guarantees regarding laboratory test for classical-swine-fever in the carcases from which fresh meat certified according to the model of certificate SUW (point 10.3 bis) was obtained.
- 'D': guarantees regarding swill feed on holding(s) of animals from which fresh meat certified according to models of certificate POR (point 10.3 d)) was obtained.
- 'E': guarantees regarding tuberculosis test in the animals from where fresh meat certified according to the model of certificate BOV (point 10.4 d)) was obtained.
- F: guarantees regarding the maturation and de-boning of fresh meat, excluding offal, certified according to the models of certificates BOV (point 10.6), OVI (point 10.6), RUF (point 10.7) and RUW (point 10.4).
- 'G': guarantees regarding 1, exclusion of offals and spinal cord; and 2, testing and origin of cervid animals in relation to chronic wasting disease as referred to in the models of certificates RUF (point 9.2.1) and RUW (point 9.3.1).

# ANNEX IV

# MODEL RUF

1.	Consignor (name and address in full)	VETERINARY CERTIFICATE  for fresh meat of farmed non-domestic animals (1) other than Equidae and Suidae, consigned to the European Community No (2) ORIGINAL					
		3. Origin of the meat (3)					
2.	Consignee (name and address in full)	3.1. Country:					
		4. Competent Authority					
		4.1. Ministry:					
5. 5.1	Intended destination of the meat EU Member State:	4.2. Service:  4.3. Local/Regional level:					
	Establishment:	4.5. Local/regional reven					
	Name and address:						
		6. Place of loading for exportation					
7.	Means of transport and consignment identifica-	7.3. Consignment identification details (6):					
	<b>tion</b> ( <sup>4</sup> ) (Lorry, Rail-wagon, Ship, or Aircraft) ( <sup>5</sup> ) Registration number(s), ship name or flight number:						
8.2.	Identification of the meat Meat from: Temperature conditions of the meat included in this Individual identification of the meat included in this	consignment: chilled/frozen ( <sup>5</sup> ) consignment:					
	Nature Approval number of the est	Transer of Tree weight					
	of cuts ( <sup>7</sup> ) Slaughterhouse Cutting plant	Cold store packages/pieces (kg)					
		Total					
9.	Public Health attestation						
	I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereb						
9.1.	the fresh meat has been obtained, prepared, production and control laid down in Europea as such to be fit for human consumption;	handled and stored under the health conditions governing n Community legislation $(8)$ and it is, therefore, considered					
9.2.	1 0	an official health mark to the effect that the meat has been shments indicated under point 8.3 that are approved for					
(14)	[9.2.1. with regard to chronic wasting disease (CWD):						

	this product contains or is derived exclusively from meat, excluding offal and spinal cord, of cervid animals which have been examined for chronic wasting disease by histopathology, immunohistochemistry or other diagnostic method recognised by the competent authority with negative results and is not derived from animals coming from a herd where chronic wasting disease has been confirmed or is officially suspected;]
9.3.	the means of transport and the loading conditions of this consignment meet the hygiene requirements laid down in European Community legislation $(^8)$ .
10.	Animal Health attestation
	I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify, that the fresh meat described above:
10.1.	has been obtained in the territory with code:
	(a) has been free for 12 months from rinderpest, and during the same period no vaccination against this disease has taken place; and
( <sup>5</sup> ) either	[(b) has been free for 12 months from foot-and-mouth disease, and during the same period no vaccination against this disease has taken place;]
( <sup>5</sup> ) or	[(b) has been considered free from foot-and-mouth disease since
$(^{5})(^{9})$ or	[(b) vaccination programmes against foot-and-mouth disease are being officially carried out and controlled in domestic bovine animals;]
10.2.	has been obtained from animals that:
( <sup>5</sup> )	[have remained in the territory described under point 10.1 since birth, or for at least the last three months before slaughter;]
( <sup>5</sup> ) and/or	[have been introduced on
10.3.	has been obtained from animals coming from holdings:
	(a) in which none of the animals present therein have been vaccinated against [foot-and-mouth disease or] $(^{10})$ rinderpest;
	(b) where regular veterinary inspections are carried out to diagnose diseases transmissible to humans or animals and, these holdings are not subject to prohibition as a result of an outbreak of brucellosis during the previous six weeks; and
( <sup>5</sup> ) either	[(c) in and around which in an area of 10 km radius, there has been no case/outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease or rinderpest during the previous 30 days;]
( <sup>5</sup> )( <sup>9</sup> ) or	[(c) where there is no official restriction for health reasons and in and around which in an area of 50 km radius, there has been no case/outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease or rinderpest during the previous 90 days; and
	(d) where the animals have remained for at least 40 days before direct dispatch to the slaughterhouse;]
10.4.	has been obtained from animals:
( <sup>5</sup> ) either	[(a) which have been transported from their holdings in vehicles, cleaned and disinfected before loading, to an approved slaughterhouse, without contact with other animals which did not comply with the conditions mentioned above;
	(b) which at the slaughterhouse, have passed ante-mortem health inspection during the 24 hours before slaughter and in particular, have shown no evidence of the diseases mentioned under point 10.1 above; and
	(c) which have been slaughtered on or between(11);]
( <sup>5</sup> ) or	[(a) which have been slaughtered on the holding of origin, following authorisation by an official veterinarian responsible for the holding, who has provided a written statement that:
	<ul> <li>in his opinion an unacceptable risk would have been posed to the welfare of the animals or to their handlers by the transport of the animals to an slaughterhouse,</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the holding had been inspected and authorised by the competent authority for the slaughter of game animals,</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>the animals have passed the ante mortem health inspection during the 24 hours before the slaughter and in particular, have shown no evidence of the diseases mentioned under point 10.1 above,</li> </ul>
	— the animals were slaughtered between and and
	— the bleeding of the animals was performed correctly, and
	— the slaughtered animals were eviscerated within three hours of the time of slaughter; and
	(b) the carcases of which have been transported to the approved slaughterhouse under hygienic conditions and where more than one hour elapsed since the time of slaughter, a temperature of between $0^{\circ}$ C and + $4^{\circ}$ C has been found on the arrival of the vehicle used for the transport;]
( <sup>12</sup> ) 10.5.	has been obtained from animals that have remained separate since birth from wild cloven-hoofed animals;
10.6.	has been obtained in an establishment around which, within a radius of 10 km, there has been no case, outbreak of the diseases mentioned under point 10.1 above during the previous 30 days or, in the event of a case of disease, the preparation of meat for exportation to the European Community has been authorized only after slaughter of all animals present, removal of all meat, and the total cleaning and disinfection of the establishment under the control of an official veterinarian;
10.7.	
( <sup>5</sup> ) either	[has been obtained and prepared without contact with other meats not complying with the conditions required above;]
( <sup>5</sup> )( <sup>9</sup> ) or	[contains [boneless meat] [and] [minced meat] (5), obtained only from boned meat other than offal that was obtained from carcasses in which the main accessible lymphatic glands have been removed, which have been submitted to maturation at a temperature above + 2° C for at least 24 hours before the bones were removed and in which the pH value of the meat was below 6,0 when tested electronically in the middle of the longissimus-dorsi muscle after maturation and before boning; and
	has been kept strictly separate from meat not conforming to the requirements mentioned above during all stages of its production, boning and storage until it has been packed in boxes or cartons for further storage in dedicated areas;]
( <sup>5</sup> )( <sup>13</sup> ) or	[contains [boneless meat], [and] [minced meat] ( $^5$ ), obtained only from boned meat other than offal that was obtained from carcases in which the main accessible lymphatic glands have been removed, which have been submitted to maturation at a temperature above +2 $^{\circ}$ C for at least 24 hours before the bones were removed, and
	has been kept strictly separate from meat not conforming to the requirements mentioned above during all stages of its production, boning and storage until it has been packed in boxes or cartons for further storage in dedicated areas.]
Offic	cial stamp and signature
Done	e at, on
	(signature of official veterinarian)

(name in capital letters, qualifications and title)

#### Notes

- (1) Fresh meat means all parts, excluding offal, whether fresh, chilled or frozen, fit for human consumption of wild mammal animals belonging to the taxa Perissodactyla except Equidae –, Proboscidea or Artiodactyla -except Suidae- that are domestically kept or bred since birth in farms.
- (2) Issued by the competent authority.
- (3) Country and code of territory as appearing in Part 1 of Annex II to Council Decision 79/542/EEC (as last amended).
- (4) The registration number(s) of rail-wagon or lorry and the name of the ship should be given as appropriate. If known, the flight number of the aircraft. In case of transport in containers or boxes, the total number, their registration and seal numbers, if present, should be indicated under point 7.3.
- (5) Keep as appropriate.
- (6) Complete if appropriate.
- (7) If appropriate, indicate 'matured'. If frozen, indicate the date of freezing (mm/yy) of the cuts/pieces.
- (8) Regarding fresh meat, the provisions of Council Directive 91/495/EEC (as last amended) shall apply. Regarding welfare at slaughter, the provisions of Council Directive 93/119/EC (as last amended) shall apply.
- (9) Supplementary guarantees regarding meats from matured de-boned meat to be provided when required in column 5 'SG' of part 1 of Annex II to Council Decision 79/542/EEC (as last amended) with the entry 'A'.
- (10) Delete when the exporting country carries out vaccination against foot-and-mouth disease with serotypes A, O or C, and this country is allowed for export to the European Community matured de-boned meat which fulfils the supplementary guarantees described under (9) above.
- (11) Date or dates of slaughter. Imports of this meat shall not be allowed when obtained from animals slaughtered either prior to the date of authorisation for exportation to the European Community of the territory mentioned under (3), or during a period where restrictive measures have been adopted by the European Community against imports of this meat from this territory.
- (12) Not necessary for farmed game animals kept permanently in Arctic regions.
- (13) Supplementary guarantees regarding meats from matured boned meat to be provided when required in column 5 'S' of part 1 of Annex II to Council Decision 79/542/EEC (as last amended), with the entry 'F. The matured boned meat shall not be allowed for importation into the European Community until 21 days after the date of slaughter of the animals.
- (14) Supplementary guarantees regarding fresh meat obtained from cervids to be provided when required in column 5 'SG' of part 1 of Annex II to Council Decision 79/542/EEC (as last amended), with the entry 'G'.

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1.	Consign	or (name	and address in ful	1)	VETERINARY CERTIFICATE  for fresh meat of wild non-domestic animals (¹) other the European Community  No (²) ORIGINAL					
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		s ( <sup>7</sup> )	Game establishment	Cutting plant		Cold store	packages/pieces	(kg)		
	-					Total				
9.		Public H	ealth attestation							
,			lersigned official v	eterinarian, herel	bv ce	rtify, that:				
9.1.		the fresh meat has been obtained, prepared, handled and stored under the health conditions governing production and control laid down in European Community legislation (8) and it is, therefore, considered as such to be fit for human consumption;								
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( <sup>5</sup> ) either	[after having been chilled to and maintained at a temperature between $-1^{\circ}$ C and $+7^{\circ}$ C, they are intended to be transported to the final EU approved game establishment of destination, within seven days of post-mortem inspection;]
( <sup>5</sup> ) or	[after having been chilled to and maintained at a temperature between $-1^{\circ}\text{C}$ and $+1^{\circ}\text{C}$ , they are intended to be transported to the final EU approved game establishment of destination, within 15 days of post-mortem inspection,]
	in a means of transport capable to maintain this temperature during transport;]
( <sup>12</sup> ) [9.3.1.	with regard to chronic wasting disease (CWD):
	this product contains or is derived exclusively from meat, excluding offal and spinal cord, of cervid animals which have been examined for chronic wasting disease by histopathology, immunohistochemistry or other diagnostic method recognised by the competent authority with negative results and is not derived from animals coming from a region where chronic wasting disease has been confirmed in the last three years or is officially suspected.].
9.4.	the means of transport and the loading conditions of this consignment meet the hygiene requirements laid down in European Community legislation $(^8)$ .
10.	Animal Health attestation
	I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify, that the fresh meat described above:
10.1.	has been obtained in the territory with code:(3) which, at the date of issuing this certificate:
	(a) has been free for $12$ months from rinderpest, and during the same period no vaccination against this disease has taken place, and
( <sup>5</sup> ) either	[(b) has been free for 12 months from foot-and-mouth disease, and during the same period no vaccination against this disease has taken place;]
( <sup>5</sup> ) or	[(b) has been considered free from foot-and-mouth disease since
( <sup>5</sup> )( <sup>9</sup> ) or	[(b) vaccination programmes against foot-and-mouth disease are being officially carried out and controlled in domestic bovine animals;]
10.2.	has been obtained from wild animals that were killed between
	(a) at a distance that exceeds 20 km from the borders of a country or part thereof, which is not authorised during this period for exporting this fresh meat to the European Community,
	(b) in an area where during the last 60 days, there has been no restrictions for the diseases mentioned under point 10.1;
10.3.	has been obtained from animals which after killing were transported within 12 hours for chilling [to a collection centre, and immediately afterwards] $(5)$ to an approved game establishment around which, within a radius of 10 km, there has been no case/outbreak of the diseases mentioned under point 10.1 above during the previous 30 days or, in the event of a case of disease, the preparation of meat for exportation to the European Community has been authorised only after removal of all meat, and the total cleaning and disinfection of the establishment under the control of an official veterinarian;
10.4.	
( <sup>5</sup> ) either	[has been obtained and prepared without contact with other meats not complying with the conditions required above;]
( <sup>5</sup> )( <sup>9</sup> ) or	[contains [boneless meat] [and] [minced meat] $(^5)$ , obtained only from boned meat other than offal that was obtained from carcases in which the main accessible lymphatic glands have been removed, which have been submitted to maturation at a temperature above $+2^{\circ}\text{C}$ for at least 24 hours before the bones were removed and in which the pH value of the meat was below 6,0 when tested electronically in the middle of the longissimus-dorsi muscle after maturation and before boning, and
	has been kept strictly separate from meat not conforming to the requirements mentioned above during all stages of its production, boning and storage until it has been packed in boxes or cartons for further storage in dedicated areas.;]
( <sup>5</sup> )( <sup>11</sup> ) or	[contains [boneless meat], [and] [minced meat] ( $^5$ ), obtained only from de-boned meat other than offal that was obtained from carcasses in which the main accessible lymphatic glands have been removed, which have been submitted to maturation at a temperature above + 2 $^{\circ}$ C for at least 24 hours before the bones were removed, and

has been kept strictly separate from meat not conforming to the requirements mentioned above during all stages of its production, de-boning and storage until it has been packed in boxes or cartons for further storage in dedicated areas.]

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#### Notes

- (1) Fresh meat means all parts, excluding offal, whether fresh, chilled or frozen, fit for human consumption of wild mammal animals belonging to the taxa Perissodactyla -except Equidae-, Proboscidea or Artiodactyla -except Suidae- that are killed or hunted in the wild.
  - After importation, skin-in carcasses must be conveyed without delay to the processing establishment of destination.
- (2) Issued by the competent authority.
- (3) Country and code of territory as appearing in part 1 of Annex II to Council Decision 79/542/EEC (as last amended).
- (4) The registration number(s) of rail-wagon or lorry and the name of the ship should be given as appropriate. If known, the flight number of the aircraft.
  - In case of transport in containers or boxes, the total number, their registration and seal numbers, if present, should be indicated under point 7.3.
- (5) Keep as appropriate.
- (6) Complete if appropriate.
- (7) If appropriate, indicate 'matured' or 'unskinned'. If frozen, indicate the date of freezing (mm/yy) of the cuts/pieces.
  - In the case of 'unskinned' meat, indicate the origin identification mark(s). This mark cannot be the health mark used for declaring suitability for human consumption, the latter to be attributed by the approved game establishment in the EU Member State of destination once the meat has been skinned and undergone a post-mortem inspection.
- (8) Regarding fresh meat, the provisions of Council Directive 92/45/EEC (as last amended) shall apply.
- (9) Supplementary guarantees regarding meat from matured de-boned meat to be provided when required in column 5 'SG' of part 1 of Annex II to Council Decision 79/542/EEC (as last amended) with the entry 'A'.
  - The matured boned meat shall not be allowed for importation into the European Community until 21 days after the date of killing of the animals.
- (10) Dates. Imports of this meat shall not be allowed when obtained from animals killed or hunted either prior to the date of authorisation for exportation to the European Community of the territory mentioned under (3), or during a period where restrictive measures have been adopted by the European Community against imports of this meat from this territory.
- (11) Supplementary guarantees regarding meats from matured de-boned meat to be provided when required in column 5 'SG' of part 1 of Annex II to Council Decision 79/542/EEC (as last amended), with the entry **F**. The matured boned meat shall not be allowed for importation into the European Community until 21 days after the date of slaughter of the animals.
- ( $^{12}$ ) Supplementary guarantees regarding fresh meat obtained from cervids to be provided when required in column 5 'SG' of part 1 of Annex II to Council Decision 79/542/EEC (as last amended), with the entry 'G'.