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CHAPTER 13

MODEL ANIMAL HEALTH/OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE FOR THE ENTRY INTO THE UNION OF FRESH MEAT INTENDED FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION, EXCLUDING MINCED MEAT AND MECHANICALLY SEPARATED MEAT, OF POULTRY OTHER THAN RATITES (MODEL POU)

COUNTRY		Animal health/Official certificate to the EU	
Part I: Description of consignment	I.1 Consignor/Exporter Name Address Country ISO country code	I.2 Certificate reference	I.2a IMSOC reference
		I.3 Central Competent Authority	QR CODE
		I.4 Local Competent Authority	
		I.5 Consignee/Importer Name Address Country ISO country code	I.6 Operator responsible for the consignment Name Address Country ISO country code
	I.7 Country of origin ISO country code	I.9 Country of destination ISO country code	
	I.8 Region of origin Code	I.10 Region of destination Code	
	I.11 Place of dispatch Name Registration/Approval No Address Country ISO country code	I.12 Place of destination Name Registration/Approval No Address Country ISO country code	
	I.13 Place of loading	I.14 Date and time of departure	
	I.15 Means of transport <input type="checkbox"/> Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Vessel <input type="checkbox"/> Railway <input type="checkbox"/> Road vehicle Identification	I.16 Entry Border Control Post	
I.17 Accompanying documents Type Code Country ISO country code Commercial document reference			
I.18 Transport conditions	<input type="checkbox"/> Ambient	<input type="checkbox"/> Chilled	<input type="checkbox"/> Frozen
I.19 Container number/Seal number			
Container No		Seal No	
I.20 Certified as or for			
<input type="checkbox"/> Products for human consumption			
I.21 <input type="checkbox"/> For transit Third country ISO country code	I.22 <input type="checkbox"/> For internal market		
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I.24 Total number of packages		I.25 Total quantity	I.26 Total net weight/gross weight (kg)
I.27 Description of consignment			
CN code	Species	Subspecies/Category	
	Cold store	Identification mark	Net weight
Slaughterhouse		Number of packages	Batch No
	Date of collection/production	Approval or registration number of plant/establishment/centre	

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Part II: Certification	II. Health information	II.a Certificate reference	II.b IMSOC reference
	<p>II.1. Public health attestation [to delete when the Union is not the final destination of the fresh meat]</p> <p>I, the undersigned official veterinarian, declare that I am aware of the relevant requirements of Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council^A, Regulation (EC) No 852/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council^B, Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council, Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council, Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/624 and Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/627^C and hereby certify that the fresh meat⁽¹⁾ of poultry other than ratites described in Part I has been obtained in accordance with these requirements, and in particular that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the meat comes from (an) establishment(s) applying general hygiene requirements and implementing a programme based on the hazard analysis and critical control points (HACCP) principles in accordance with Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 852/2004, regularly audited by the competent authorities, and being listed as an EU approved establishment; (b) it has been produced in compliance with the conditions set out in Sections II and V of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004; (c) it has been found fit for human consumption following ante-mortem and post-mortem inspections carried out in accordance with Articles 8 to 14, 25, 33, 35 to 38 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/627 and Articles 3, 5 to 8 of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/624; (d) it has been marked with an identification mark in accordance with Section I of Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004; (e) it satisfies the relevant criteria laid down in Commission Regulation (EC) No 2073/2005^D; 		

^A Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 January 2002 laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety (OJ L 31, 1.2.2002, p. 1).

^B Regulation (EC) No 852/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 on the hygiene of foodstuffs (OJ L 139, 30.4.2004, p. 1).

^C Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/627 of 15 March 2019 laying down uniform practical arrangements for the performance of official controls on products of animal origin intended for human consumption in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council and amending Commission Regulation (EC) No 2074/2005 as regards official controls (OJ L 131, 17.5.2019, p. 51).

^D Commission Regulation (EC) No 2073/2005 of 15 November 2005 on microbiological criteria for foodstuffs (OJ L 338, 22.12.2005, p. 1).

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	<p>(f) the guarantees covering live animals and products thereof provided by the residue plans submitted in accordance with Article 29 of Council Directive 96/23/EC^E, are fulfilled and the concerned animals and products are listed in Commission Decision 2011/163/EU^F for the concerned country of origin;</p> <p>(g) it has been produced under conditions guaranteeing compliance with the maximum residue levels for pesticides laid down in Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council^G, and the maximum levels for contaminants laid down in Commission Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006^H;</p> <p>⁽²⁾[(h) it fulfils the requirements of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1688/2005^I.]</p> <p>II.2. Animal health attestation</p> <p>I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify, that the fresh meat⁽¹⁾ of poultry other than ratites described in this certificate:</p> <p>II.2.1. has been obtained in the zone with code:⁽³⁾ which, at the date of issue of this certificate:</p> <p>(a) is authorised and listed in Part 1 of Annex XIV to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404^J for the entry into the Union of fresh meat of poultry other than ratites;</p> <p>(b) carries out a disease surveillance programme for highly pathogenic avian influenza in accordance with Article 141, point (a), of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692^K;</p> <p>(c) is considered free from highly pathogenic avian influenza in accordance with Article 38 of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692;</p> <p>(d) is considered free from infection with Newcastle disease virus in accordance with Article 39 of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692;</p>

^E Council Directive 96/23/EC of 29 April 1996 on measures to monitor certain substances and residues thereof in live animals and animal products and repealing Directives 85/358/EEC and 86/469/EEC and Decisions 89/187/EEC and 91/664/EEC (OJ L 125, 23.5.1996, p. 10).

^F Commission Decision 2011/163/EU of 16 March 2011 on the approval of plans submitted by third countries in accordance with Article 29 of Council Directive 96/23/EC (OJ L 70, 17.3.2011, p. 40).

^G Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 February 2005 on maximum residue levels of pesticides in or on food and feed of plant and animal origin and amending Council Directive 91/414/EEC (OJ L 70, 16.3.2005, p. 1).

^H Commission Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 of 19 December 2006 setting maximum levels for certain contaminants in foodstuffs (OJ L 364, 20.12.2006, p. 5).

^I Commission Regulation (EC) No 1688/2005 of 14 October 2005 implementing Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards special guarantees concerning salmonella for consignments to Finland and Sweden of certain meat and eggs (OJ L 271, 15.10.2005, p. 17).

^J 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).

^K 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).

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	<p>II.2.2. has been obtained in the zone referred to in point II.2.1, in which:</p> <p>⁽⁴⁾either [(a) vaccination against highly pathogenic avian influenza is not carried out;]</p> <p>⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾or [(a) vaccination against highly pathogenic avian influenza is carried out in accordance with a vaccination programme that complies with the requirements set out in Annex XIII to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692;]</p> <p>⁽⁴⁾either [(b) vaccination against infection with Newcastle disease virus with vaccines which do not comply with both the general and specific criteria of Annex XV to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692 is prohibited;]</p> <p>⁽⁴⁾⁽⁶⁾or [(b) vaccination against infection with Newcastle disease virus with vaccines which comply only with the general criteria of Annex XV to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692 is not prohibited, and the fresh meat has been obtained from poultry which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) has not been vaccinated with live attenuated vaccines prepared from an infection with Newcastle disease virus master seed showing a higher pathogenicity than lentogenic strains of the virus within the period of 30 days prior to the date of slaughter; (ii) underwent a virus isolation test⁽⁷⁾ for infection with Newcastle disease virus, carried out at the time of slaughter on a random sample of cloacal swabs from at least 60 birds in each flock concerned, and in which no avian paramyxoviruses with an ICPI of more than 0,4 were found; (iii) have not been in contact during the period of 30 days prior to the date of slaughter with poultry that does not fulfil the conditions in (i) and (ii);] <p>II.2.3. has been obtained from animals coming from establishments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) registered by and under the control of the competent authority of the country or territory of origin and have a system in place to maintain and to keep records, in accordance with Article 8 of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692; (b) which receive regular animal health visits from a veterinarian for the purpose of the detection of, and information on, signs indicative of the occurrence of diseases, including the relevant listed diseases referred to in Annex I to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692 and emerging diseases; (c) in and around which, within an area of 10 km radius, including, where appropriate, the territory of a neighbouring country, there has been no outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza or infection with Newcastle disease virus during the period of at least 30 days prior to the date of slaughter;

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	<p>(d) which, at the time of slaughter of the animals, were not subject to national restriction measures for animal health reasons, including the relevant listed diseases referred to in Annex I to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692 and emerging diseases;</p> <p>II.2.4. has been obtained from animals that:</p> <p>⁽⁴⁾ either [(a) have remained in the zone referred to in point II.2.1 since hatching and until the date of slaughter;]</p> <p>⁽⁴⁾ or [(a) were imported into the zone referred to in point II.2.1 as day-old chicks, breeding poultry, productive poultry or poultry intended for slaughter, under animal health requirements that are at least as stringent as the relevant requirements of Regulation (EU) 2016/429 and Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692, from:</p> <p>⁽⁴⁾ either [a zone which is listed in Part 1 of Annex V to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 for entry into the Union of those commodities;]</p> <p>⁽⁴⁾ or [a Member State;]</p> <p>⁽⁴⁾ either [(b) have not been vaccinated against highly pathogenic avian influenza;]</p> <p>⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾ or [(b) have been vaccinated against highly pathogenic avian influenza in accordance with a vaccination programme which complies with the requirements set out in Annex XIII to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692;]</p> <p>⁽⁴⁾ either [(c) have not been vaccinated against infection with Newcastle disease virus during the period of 30 days prior to the date of slaughter;]</p> <p>⁽⁴⁾ or [(c) have been vaccinated against infection with Newcastle disease virus in the period of 30 days prior to the date of slaughter, with vaccines that comply with both the general and specific criteria of Annex XV to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692;]</p> <p>(d) did not show symptoms of transmissible diseases at the time of slaughter;</p> <p>(e) were dispatched directly from their establishment of origin to the slaughterhouse;</p> <p>(f) during their transport to the slaughterhouse:</p> <p>(i) did not pass through a zone not listed for entry into the Union of fresh meat of poultry other than ratites;</p> <p>(ii) did not come in contact with animals of a lower health status;</p> <p>(g) have been dispatched from their establishment of origin to an approved slaughterhouse in means of transport:</p> <p>(i) which is constructed in such a way that the animals cannot escape or fall out;</p> <p>(ii) in which visual inspection of the space where animals are kept is possible;</p> <p>(iii) from which the escape of animal excrements, litter, feed or feathers is prevented or minimised;</p>

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	<p>(iv) which was cleaned and disinfected with a disinfectant authorised by the competent authority of the third country or territory of dispatch, and dried or allowed to dry immediately before every loading of animals intended for entry into the Union;</p> <p>II.2.5. has been obtained from animals which have been slaughtered [on ____/____/____ (dd/mm/yyyy)]⁽⁴⁾⁽⁸⁾ [between ____/____/____ (dd/mm/yyyy) and ____/____/____ (dd/mm/yyyy)]⁽⁴⁾⁽⁸⁾;</p> <p>II.2.6. has not been obtained from animals which have been slaughtered under a national programme for the eradication of diseases;</p> <p>II.2.7. has been obtained in a slaughterhouse:</p> <p>(a) which at the time of slaughter, was not under restrictions due to an outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza or infection with Newcastle disease virus or under official restrictions under national legislation for animal health reasons;</p> <p>(b) within a 10 km radius of which, including, where appropriate, the territory of a neighbouring country, there has been no outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza or infection with Newcastle disease virus during the period of at least 30 days prior to the date of slaughter;</p> <p>II.2.8. has been strictly segregated from fresh meat not complying with the animal health requirements for the entry into the Union of fresh meat of poultry other than ratites throughout the operations of slaughter, cutting and until:</p> <p>⁽⁴⁾ either [it was packaged for further storage;]</p> <p>⁽⁴⁾ or [its loading, as unpackaged fresh meat, to the means of transport for dispatch to the Union;]</p> <p>II.2.9. is dispatched to the Union:</p> <p>(a) in a means of transport designed, constructed and maintained in such condition that the health status of the products will not be jeopardised during the transport to the Union;</p> <p>(b) separated from animals and products of animal origin not complying with the relevant animal health requirements for entry into the Union provided for in Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692;</p> <p>⁽⁹⁾II.2.10. is intended for a Member State which has been granted the status free from infection with Newcastle disease virus without vaccination in accordance with Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/689^L, and has been obtained from poultry which have not been vaccinated against infection with Newcastle disease virus with a live vaccine during the period of 30 days prior to the date of slaughter].</p>
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Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/689 of 17 December 2019 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards rules for surveillance, eradication programmes, and disease-free status for certain listed and emerging diseases (OJ L 174, 3.6.2020, p. 211).

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II.3. Animal welfare attestation [to delete when the Union is not the final destination]

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify, that the meat described in Part I derives from animals which have been treated in the slaughterhouse in accordance with the requirements of the Union legislation on the protection of animals at the time of killing or at least equivalent requirements.

Notes

In accordance with the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 5(4) of the Protocol on Ireland / Northern Ireland in conjunction with Annex 2 to that Protocol, references to European Union in this certificate include the United Kingdom in respect of Northern Ireland.

This certificate is intended for entry into the Union of fresh meat of poultry other than ratites, including when the Union is not the final destination of that product.

The exclusion of minced meat and mechanically separated meat is expressly mentioned in the title to avoid any confusion as these products cannot be imported using this fresh meat certificate.

This animal health/official certificate shall be completed according to the notes for the completion of certificates provided for in Chapter 4 of Annex I to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/2235.

Part I:

Box reference I.8: Provide the code of the zone as it appears in column 2 of the table in Part 1 of Annex XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404.

Box reference I.11: Name, address and approval number of the establishment of dispatch.

Box reference I.15: Indicate the registration number(s) of railway wagons and lorries, the names of vessels and, if known, the flight numbers of aircraft. In the case of transport in containers their registration number and where there is a serial number of the seal it has to be indicated in box I.19.

Box reference I.27: Description of consignment:
“CN code”: Use the appropriate Harmonised System (HS) code of the World Customs Organisation: 02.07, 02.08 or 05.04.

Part II:

(1) Fresh meat as defined in point 1.10 of Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004.

(2) Delete if the consignment is not intended for entry into Sweden or Finland.

(3) Code of the zone in accordance with column 2 of the table in Part 1 of Annex XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404.

(4) Keep as appropriate.

(5) This applies only to zones in which vaccination against highly pathogenic avian influenza is carried out in accordance with a vaccination programme that complies with the requirements set out in Annex XIII to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692, and are listed in Part 1 of Annex XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 with the entry “A” in column 6 of the table.

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<p>(6)</p> <p>(7)</p> <p>(8)</p> <p>(9)</p>	<p>This guarantee is required only for poultry coming from zones in which the use of vaccines against infection with Newcastle disease virus which comply only with the general criteria of Annex XV to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692 is not prohibited, in accordance with Article 141, point (e)(ii), thereof, and are listed in Part 1 of Annex XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 with the entry “B” in column 6 of the table.</p> <p>Tests should be carried out on samples taken by or under the control of the competent authorities of the country or territory of origin and testing should be carried out in an official laboratory designated in accordance with Article 37 of Regulation (EU) 2017/625.</p> <p>This meat shall only be permitted to enter into the Union if the meat was obtained from animals slaughtered after the date of authorisation of the zone referred to in point II.2.1 for entry into the Union of fresh meat of poultry other than ratites, or during a period where animal health restriction measures taken by the Union were not in place against the entry of this meat from that zone, or during a period where the authorisation of that zone for entry into the Union of this meat was not suspended.</p> <p>This guarantee is required only for consignments intended for a Member State which has been granted the status free from infection with Newcastle disease virus without vaccination in accordance with Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/689.</p>
<p>Official veterinarian</p> <p>Name (in capital letters)</p> <p>Date</p> <p>Stamp</p> <p>Qualification and title</p> <p>Signature</p>	