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## CHAPTER 4

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 DOMESTIC SOLIPEDS (EQUUS CABALLUS, EQUUS ASINUS AND THEIR CROSS-BREEDS) (MODEL EQU)

COUNTRY					Animal health/Official certificate to the EU					
	I.1	Consignor/Exporter		I.2 Certificate reference		cate reference	I.2a IMSOC reference			
		Name								
		Address		1.3	Central Competent Authority		QR CODE			
				I.4		~				
		Country ISO country code			Local	Competent Authority				
	I.5	Consignee/Importer			Operator responsible for the consignment					
#		Name			Name	-	_			
Part I: Description of consignment		Address			Addres	s				
onsi		Country	ISO country code		Country		ISO country code			
J C	I.7	Country of origin	ISO country code	I.9	Country of destination		ISO country code			
l ü	1.8	Region of origin	Code	I.10	Region	of destination	Code			
Ė	I.11	Place of dispatch		I.12	Place o	of destination				
Ţ.		Name Re	gistration/Approval No		Name		Registration/Approval No			
Desc		Address			Addres	is				
art I:		Country ISO country code			Country		ISO country code			
Ь	I.13 Place of loading				Date a	nd time of departure				
	I.15 Means of transport			I.16		Border Control Post				
		□ Aircraft □ Vessel		I.17	Accom	panying documents				
		☐ Railway ☐ Road vehicle			Type		Code			
		Identification			Country Commo	y ercial document reference	ISO country code			
	I.18	Transport conditions	☐ Ambient			☐ Chilled	□ Frozen			
	I.19	Container number/Seal r Container No	number	Seal N	o					
	I.20 Certified as or for									
		☐ Products for human								
		consumption								
	I.21			1.22	I.22					
				1.23						

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I.24 Tota	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						
	Cold store		Identification mark	Type of pac	ckaging	Net weight	
Slaughterhouse	Treatment type		Nature of commodity	Number of	packages	Batch No	
☐ Final consumer	Date of collection/producti	on	Manufacturing plant	number of	r registration		

Part II: Certification

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II. Health information II.a Certificate reference II.b IMSOC reference

#### II.1. Public health attestation

I, the undersigned, declare that I am aware of the relevant requirements of Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council<sup>A</sup>, Regulation (EC) No 852/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council<sup>B</sup>, 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<sup>C</sup> and hereby certify that the fresh meat of domestic solipeds (Equus caballus, Equus asinus and their crossbreeds) described in Part I was produced in accordance with these requirements, in particular that:

- II.1.1. 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;
- II.1.2. the meat has been obtained in compliance with the conditions set out in Section I of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004;
- II.1.3. the meat fulfils the requirements of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1375<sup>D</sup>, and in particular, has been subject to an examination by a digestion method for Trichinella with negative results;
- II.1.4. the meat has been found fit for human consumption following ante-mortem and post-mortem inspections carried out in accordance with Articles 8 to 17, 22, 24, 31 to 35, 37, 38 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/627 and Articles 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8 of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/624;
- (1) II.1.5. (1) either [the carcase or parts of the carcase have been marked in accordance with Article 48 of and Annex II to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/627;]
  - $(^1)$  or [the packages of meat have been marked with an identification mark in accordance with Section I of Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004;]

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).

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).

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 Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1375 of 10 August 2015 laying down specific rules on official controls for Trichinella in meat (OJ L 212, 11.8.2015, p. 7).

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II.1.6. the meat satisfies the relevant criteria laid down in Commission Regulation (EC) No 2073/2005<sup>E</sup>;

- II.1.7. the meat was obtained from domestic solipeds which immediately prior to slaughter had been kept for at least six months or since birth, if slaughtered at an age of less than six months, or since importation as food producing equine animals from a Member State of the European Union, if imported less than six months prior to slaughter in a third country:
  - (a) in which the administration to domestic solipeds:
    - (i) of thyrostatic substances, stilbenes, stilbene derivatives, their salts and esters, oestradiol  $17\beta$  and its ester-like derivatives is prohibited;
    - (ii) of other substances having oestrogenic, androgenic or gestagenic action and of beta-agonists is only allowed for:
    - therapeutic treatment, as defined in Article 1(2), point (b), of Council Directive  $96/22/EC^F$ , where applied in conformity with Article 4(2) of that Directive, or
    - zootechnical treatment as defined in Article 1(2), point (c), of Directive 96/22/EC, where applied in conformity with Article 5 of that Directive; and
  - (b) which has had at least during the six months prior to slaughter of the animals a plan for the monitoring of the groups of residues and substances referred to in Annex I to Council Directive 96/23/EC<sup>G</sup> which covers equine born in and imported into the third country and was approved in accordance with Article 29(1), fourth subparagraph, of Directive 96/23/EC and the concerned animals and products are listed in Commission Decision 2011/163/EU<sup>H</sup> for the concerned country of origin.

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

F Council Directive 96/22/EC of 29 April 1996 concerning the prohibition on the use in stockfarming of certain substances having a hormonal or thyrostatic action and of beta-agonists, and repealing Directives 81/602/EEC, 88/146/EEC and 88/299/EEC (OJ L 125, 23.5.1996, p. 3).

G 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).

H 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).

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II.1.8. the meat 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<sup>I</sup>, and the maximum levels for contaminants laid down in Commission Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006<sup>I</sup>;

II.1.9. the meat has been stored and transported in accordance with the relevant requirements of Section I of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004.

### II.2. Animal welfare attestation

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 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.

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 certificate is meant for fresh meat, excluding minced meat and mechanically separated meat, of domestic solipeds (Equus caballus, Equus asinus and their cross-breeds).

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

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).

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).

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Part I: Use the appropriate Harmonised System (HS) code: 02.05, 02.06 or 05.04. Box reference I.27: Box reference I.27: Description of consignment: "Nature of commodity": Indicate "carcase-whole", "carcase-side", "carcase-quarters" or "cuts". "Treatment type": If appropriate, indicate "de-boned", "bone in" and/or "matured". If frozen, indicate the date of freezing (mm/yy) of the cuts/pieces. Part II: (1) Keep as appropriate. Official veterinarian Name (in capital letters) Date Qualification and title Stamp Signature