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Order laying down the conditions for the introduction of live animals and animal or animal-based products

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5. Title

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animals and animal or animal-based products

6. Products Concerned

All live animals whose meat is intended for human
consumption, the products thereof and bees and honey.

7. Notification Under Another Act

No

8. Main Content

The Order provides for a supplementary health certificate
which must accompany the live animals and animal or
animal-based products which originate in or come from third
party countries, when they are introduced onto French
territory. This health certificate makes it possible to
guarantee that the live animals introduced onto French
territory and the animals used for the animal or animal-based
products have not

received any substance which is banned pursuant to Directive



96/22/EC, nor any undesirable substance in levels or quantity which exceed the maximum content levels laid down in Directive 74/63/EEC, and that only pharmacologically active substances which are authorised at European Union level have been administered to them.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The Community regulations on veterinary pharmacy and animal feeding are constantly being reinforced, in particular in the interests of public health. For this same reason, France requests that equivalent provisions be ensured by manufacturers in third party countries which export their animals or products to the Community.

Taking into consideration the growing number of active molecules used in agriculture and food networks, it is not feasible to carry out exhaustive tests systematically at the time of import checks making it possible to verify with certitude the absence of substances (residues) which are potentially dangerous in excessive doses. Therefore, we need to verify in advance that the conditions of animal farming, production and processing of the agricultural products and foodstuffs exported to the Community from third party countries fulfil the obligations for methods, in particular legal methods, which are equivalent to those applied by Community producers. The adoption of this Order will make it possible to repeal Decree no. 62-827 of 21 July 1962 regulating the importing of certain poultry products.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

- Council Directive 70/524/EEC of 23 November 1970, as amended, on additives in animal foodstuffs,
- Council Directive 74/63/EEC of 17 December 1973, as amended, on undesirable substances and products in animal foodstuffs,
- Council Directive 96/22/EEC of 29 April 1996 on the ban on the use of certain substances with hormonal or thyrostatic action and beta agonist substances in animal products,
- Council Regulation 2377/90/EEC of 26 June 1990, laying down a Community procedure for establishing maximum limits for veterinary drug residues in animal-based foodstuffs,
- Country code, in particular article 275-1 thereof,
- Decree no. 62-827 of 21 July 1962 regulating the importing of certain poultry products.
- Order of 6 June 1994 on the health conditions for the importing of live animals, animal-based products and animal foodstuffs or animal-based foodstuffs arriving from third



party countries.

- Order of 11 March 1996 on the health regulations and veterinary controls applicable to animal-based products arriving from another Member State of the European Community with the status of Community goods.

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

No

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