

Conditions for entry into the European Union of animals, products of animal origin, animal by-products and germinal products

NB: This page refers to the main health requirements, and in no way claims to provide the exhaustive list of applicable rules.

	Live animals	Products of animal origin and composite products	Animal by-products (ABPs)	Germinal products
General requirements	Animal health requirements laid down in: - Reg. (EU) 2016/429. - Reg. (EU) 2020/692. <i>NB: Certain non-harmonised live animals can enter into the EU according to national rules, as per Art. 234(3) and Art. 238(4) of Reg. (EU) 2016/429.</i> Public health requirements¹ (for food-producing animals) laid down in: - Reg. (EC) 999/2001. - Reg. (EU) 2022/2292. Protection of animals during transport laid down in Reg. (EC) 1/2005. More information on import requirements. Special conditions related to Agreements with non-EU countries.	Animal health requirements laid down in: - Reg. (EU) 2016/429. - Reg. (EU) 2020/692. Public health requirements¹ laid down in: - Reg. (EC) 999/2001. - Reg. (EC) 178/2002. - Reg. (EC) 852/2004. - Reg. (EC) 853/2004. - Reg. (EU) 2022/2292. More information on import requirements. Special conditions related to protective and emergency measures. Special conditions related to Agreements with non-EU countries.	Requirements laid down in: - Reg. (EC) 1069/2009. - Reg. (EU) 142/2011. ABPs, which importation and transit are prohibited, are listed in Art. 25(1) of Reg. (EU) 142/2011. <i>NB: Certain ABPs can enter into the EU according to national rules, as per Section 2(2), Chapter IV of Annex XIV to Reg. (EU) 142/2011.</i> Special conditions related to protective and emergency measures. Special conditions related to Agreements with non-EU countries.	Animal health requirements laid down in (only for bovine, ovine, caprine, porcine and equine): - Reg. (EU) 2016/429. - Reg. (EU) 2020/692. <i>NB: Germinal products from other species can enter into the EU according to national rules, as per Art. 234(3) and Art. 238(4) of Reg. (EU) 2016/429.</i> More information on import requirements. Special conditions related to Agreements with non-EU countries.
Authorised third country of origin	Lists of authorised third countries laid down in Reg. (EU) 2021/404. List of third countries with approved control plan of residues and contaminants laid down in Annex -I to Reg. (EU) 2021/405, required only for certain food-producing animals.	Lists of authorised third countries laid down in: - Reg. (EU) 2021/404 (for products with animal health requirements). - Reg. (EU) 2021/405 (for products without animal health requirements). List of third countries with approved control plan of residues and contaminants laid down in Annex -I to Reg. (EU) 2021/405. Special requirements for certain composite products.	Lists of authorised third countries laid down in Annex XIV to Reg. (EU) 142/2011.	Lists of authorised third countries laid down in Reg. (EU) 2021/404.
Listed establishment of origin	Required only for captive birds and racing pigeons². List available in TRACES-NT³.	List available in TRACES-NT^{3, 4}.	Lists available in TRACES-NT^{3, 5}.	Lists available in TRACES-NT^{3, 6}.
Official certificate	Official certificate models laid down in: - Annex II to Reg. (EU) 2021/403 (for terrestrial animals). - Annex II to Reg. (EU) 2020/2236 (for aquatic animals).	Official certificate models laid down in Annex III to Reg. (EU) 2020/2235. Possible exemptions for certain composite products.	Official certificate models laid down in Annex XV to Reg. (EU) 142/2011. Possible exemptions for certain ABP, see details in Annex XIV to Reg. (EU) 142/2011⁷.	Official certificate models laid down in Annex II to Reg. (EU) 2021/403.

Official controls at border control posts (BCP)	Required by: - Art. 47(1)(a) of Reg. (EU) 2017/625. - Annex to Reg. (EU) 2021/632 (positive list). Certain live animals exempted by Reg. (EU) 2019/2122. Frequency rates of official controls at the BCP: - Documentary checks: 100%⁸. - Identity checks: 100%⁹. - Physical checks: 100%⁹. Payment of fees mandatory when official controls at the BCP are performed¹⁰. For more information, please contact the BCP authorities. Lists of designated BCPs and contact details.	Required by: - Art. 47(1)(b) of Reg. (EU) 2017/625. - Annex to Reg. (EU) 2021/632 (positive list). Frequency rates of official controls at the BCP: - Documentary checks: 100%⁸. - Identity checks: 100%⁹. - Physical checks: risk-based, see Reg. (EU) 2019/2129. For consulting frequency rates of physical checks on specific commodities and third countries of origin. Payment of fees mandatory when official controls at the BCP are performed¹⁰. For more information, please contact the BCP authorities. Certain goods exempted from all or certain checks at the BCP by: - Reg. (EU) 2019/2122. - Reg. (EU) 2019/2126. - Reg. (EU) 2021/630. Lists of designated BCPs and contact details.	Required by: - Art. 47(1)(b) of Reg. (EU) 2017/625. - Annex to Reg. (EU) 2021/632 (positive list). Frequency rates of official controls at the BCP: - Documentary checks: 100%⁸. - Identity checks: 100%⁹. - Physical checks: risk-based, see Reg. (EU) 2019/2129. For consulting frequency rates of physical checks on specific commodities and third countries of origin. Payment of fees mandatory when official controls at the BCP are performed¹⁰. For more information, please contact the BCP authorities. Certain goods exempted from official controls at the BCP by Reg. (EU) 2019/2122. Lists of designated BCPs and contact details.	Required by: - Art. 47(1)(b) of Reg. (EU) 2017/625. - Annex to Reg. (EU) 2021/632 (positive list). Frequency rates of official controls at the BCP: - Documentary checks: 100%⁸. - Identity checks: 100%⁹. - Physical checks: risk-based, see Reg. (EU) 2019/2129. For consulting frequency rates of physical checks on specific commodities and third countries of origin. Payment of fees mandatory when official controls at the BCP are performed¹⁰. For more information, please contact the BCP authorities. Lists of designated BCPs and contact details.
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Note: All legal acts mentioned in this table refer, where applicable, to the last amended version.

¹ Only applicable in case of import into the EU, not in case of transit through the territory of the EU.

² Art. 4(10) and Art. 4(44) of Reg. (EU) 2016/429.

³ <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/tracesnt/directory/listing/establishment/publication/index#!/search>

⁴ Required for products listed in Art. 13(1) of Regulation (EU) 2022/2292. Certain establishments exempted from listing requirements by Art. 14 of Regulation (EU) 2022/2292. Also:

- Production areas of live bivalve molluscs, echinoderms, tunicates and marine gastropods must be listed, according to Art. 16(1) of Regulation (EU) 2022/2292.

- Factory, freezer and reefer vessels of fishery products must be listed, according to Art. 18 of Regulation (EU) 2022/2292.

⁵ Art. 41(3)(b) of Regulation (CE) 1069/2009 and Art. 30 of Regulation (EU) 142/2011.

⁶ Art. 233 of Regulation (EU) 2016/429 and Art. 82 of Regulation (EU) 2020/692.

⁷ Certain ABPs which do not require any certificate or may be accompanied by a commercial document.

⁸ Art. 54(1) of the Regulation (EU) 2017/625.

⁹ Regulation (EU) 2019/2129.

¹⁰ Art. 79 of Regulation (EU) 2017/625.