PET ANIMALS

Animal health requirements applicable to non-commercial movement of pet animals. Implementation of Regulation (EC) 998/2003.

A. VETERINARY LEGISLATION

Veterinary legislation regulating the non-commercial pet movement comprises of:

- 1. Regulation (EC) 998/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council, as amended and in force, according to which common rules of animal health requirements are being established for the *non commercial movement of pet animals* between Member States, as well as for those pet animals coming from third countries.
- 2. Decision 2003/803/EC of the EU Commission establishing a common model passport for the intra-Community pet movement (dogs, cats, and ferrets).
- 3. Decision 2011/874/EC of the EU Commission, laying down the list of third countries and territories authorised for imports of dogs, cats and ferrets and for non-commercial movements of more than five dogs, cats and ferrets into the Union and the model certificates for imports and non-commercial movements of those animals into the Union. The previous Commission Decision 2004/824/EC is repealed.
- 4. Decision **2004/839/EC** of the EU Commission establishing **conditions** for non-commercial movements of young dogs and cats less than 3 months from **third countries** into the Community.
- 5. Commission Regulation (EU) *No 388/2010* as regards the maximum number of pet animals of certain species that may be the subject of non-commercial movement.
- 6. Decision 2010/436/EC of the EU Commission as regards proficiency tests for the purposes of maintaining authorisations of laboratories to carry out serological tests to monitor the effectiveness of rabies vaccines
- 7. Decision 2007/25/EC of the EU Commission as it is amended and in force, establishes a model health certificate for pet birds originating from third countries.
- 8. Law 4039/2012 (Government Gazette 15 A) related to pet and stray animals and their protection from exploitation or use for profit."

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B. TERMS

- 1. "Pet animals": means animals of the following species:
- a) dogs, cats
- b) ferrets(family of mammals comprising the species of ferrets, weasels, ermines, zibelines)
- c) spiders and other invertebrates (except bees and crustaceans)
- d) ornamental tropical fish
- e) amphibia, reptiles
- f) birds: all species
- g) rodents and domestic rabbits,

accompanied by their owners or a natural person responsible for them on behalf of the owner during their movement and are not intended to be sold or transferred to another owner.

According to the Legal Service of the European Commission, the animals considered as pets are accompanied by their owners when the movement is made by the same means of transport. This applies whether the animals are travelling with their owners in the cabin of the aircraft, or are travelling on the same plane but Cargo. In the latter case, the owner must:

- a) certify that it is a non-commercial movement by completing the declaration form which can be found in Annex II of this circular
- b) identify the natural person that is responsible for the movement of the animal in the declaration
- c) submit to the competent control authorities, if requested, evidence (eg his ticket or boarding card) showing that the movement of the animal is part of his own movement.

Pet animals, which are not travelling by the same means of transport along with their owner or a natural person responsible on behalf of the owner, are considered as a commercial dispatch and must be conformed to the rules laid down in Directive 92/65/EEC"

- 2. "Movement": means any movement of a pet animal
- a) outside the limits of the property area of the pet owner
- b) from Greece to other Member States and vice versa
- c) during the entry or re-entry from a third country into the Greek territory.
- 3. "Passport": means the document enabling the clear identification of the pet (dog, cat, and ferret) whose owner is a EU citizen.

Passports have to respond to the requirements laid down in Commission Decision 2003/803/EC. According to the Joint Ministerial Decision No. 280241/18.11.2003 (B' 1777), the Panhellenic Veterinary Association is responsible for the issuing of passports in Greece and is also obliged to keep an electronic database with full identification data of the animals.

4. "Veterinary certificate": the official document, which must accompany the pet animals (dogs, cats and ferrets) during their entry into the Greek territory, when they come from a third country and are being accompanied by their owner or by a natural person on behalf of the owner.

This document should be in accordance with the model defined in Commission Decision 2011/874/EC.

C. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. Electronical Identification System (microchip)

- a) From the 1st of June 2004 and onwards, according to Regulation (EC) No. 998/2003 and paragraph 4 of Article 4 of Law 4039/2012 dog owners or holders in case of stray companion animals in Greece are required to have their pets marked by means of the electronic identification system (microchip).
- b) From the 1st of October 2004 and onwards, dogs, cats and ferrets moved to the territory of other Member States accompanied by their owners or a natural person responsible for these animals on behalf of the owner, must bear a transponder (an electronic identification system) in compliance with ISO standard 11784 and technology of HDX or FDX-B, which can be read by a reading device compatible with standard ISO 11785. Where the transponder does not comply with those standards, the owner or the natural person responsible for the pet animal must provide the necessary means for reading the transponder at the time of any inspection. Pet animals that are identified by bearing a tattoo may also be moved under certain requirements.

2. Anti-rabies vaccination

The anti-rabies vaccination and revaccination must be carried out, in accordance with the recommendations of the manufacturing laboratory, with an inactivated vaccine of at least one antigenic unit per dose, according to the WHO standard.

The anti-rabies vaccination shall be considered as valid 21 days from the date of completion of the vaccination protocol required by the manufacturer for the primary vaccination in the country in which the vaccination is administered. However, the anti-rabies vaccination shall be considered as valid from the date of revaccination (booster) where the vaccine is administered within the period of validity indicated by the manufacturer of a previous vaccination in the country in which the previous vaccination was administered. The vaccination shall be considered as a primary vaccination in the absence of veterinary certification attesting the previous vaccination.

3. Rabies antigen check

Sample of blood serum taken by an authorised veterinarian, member of the Panhellenic Veterinary Association, at least 30 days after vaccination, is sent to one of the approved laboratories that can be found at the following webpage, in order to be tested for rabies antibody titration:

http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/liveanimals/pets/approval_en.htm

Approved Greek laboratory: Center of Athens Veterinary Institutions, Virus Department, 25, Neapoleos Str., GR-153 10 Ag. Paraskevi, tel.: 2106010903 and 2106011499.

Neutralizing antibody titration should be at least equal to 0,5 UI/ml. Rabies antigen check is compulsory when the animals move to certain EU countries.

The pet owner bears the costs of the laboratory checks.

Please note that **from the 1**st **of January 2012**, **dogs, cats and ferrets entering Ireland, Malta, Sweden and the United Kingdom** from third countries listed in Section 2, Part B or Part C of Annex II of Regulation (EC) 998/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council must be vaccinated against rabies and are not subject to a rabies titration test before entry, while animals from other countries must be vaccinated against rabies and must undergo a rabies titration test before their entry. The costs of laboratory tests shall be borne by the owner of the animal.

In addition, **from the 1**st **of January 2012**, dogs, cats entering Ireland, Malta, Sweden and the United Kingdom from other Member States are not subject to antibody titration for rabies under the condition that the animal has been regularly revaccinated and the protocol vaccination against rabies has not been interrupted.

4. Pet animals moved by public means of transportation

A. Without prejudice to more favorable provisions of the Highway Code or the Regulations of the Public Transportation, the transport of small pets within the public means of transports (taxis and ships included) is permitted as long as the animals are placed in a secure and appropriate cage and are accompanied by the owner or the holder.

Small pets are those whose weight does not exceed the ten (10) kilos.

- B. Guide dogs can be transported without a transport cage, regardless their size if they bear a leash and are muzzled,
- C. Passenger ships must necessarily have clean cages, protected from adverse weather conditions for the transportation of large pet animals.

The following data must be clearly identified on the cage: full name of the owner, postal address and telephone number, in order to be easily traced at any time.

D. PET ANIMAL MOVEMENTS

1. Within the Greek territory

- A. The owners or holders that are being accompanied by their pet animals must carry their pet passport or sanitary book. These documents must be submitted, if requested, to any competent control authority. The sanitary book is not compulsory in case the pet passport is provided.
- B. Transportation of stray animals to and from veterinary clinics and/or shelters within the Greek territory are excepted from the above requirement as well as from the requirement laid down in par. 4.a in "C. General Provisions" of this document.

2. Movements from Greece to other Member States of the European Union

a) Movement of dogs, cats and ferrets over three (3) months of age:

- -The animals must be identified by the electronic identification system (microchip).
- Pet animals must be accompanied by their pet passport (laid down in the Decision 2003/803/EC) issued by the Pan-Hellenic Veterinary Association, where the rabies vaccination must be registered and in force
- Should not be more than 5 in number. In any other case, it is considered a commercial movement
 - In case of movement of pets intended to be adopted by a new owner, who is not resident in Greece, the animal is directly delivered to the new owner provided that it is neutered, identified and registered on the electronic database with full details of the provisional holder and full details of the new owner.

In this case, apart from the passport, a health certificate according to the model laid down in Directive 92/65/EEC must be issue by the competent authority.

b) Movement of dogs, cats, and ferrets under three (3) months of age:

For the movement of pet animals under three months of age that are unvaccinated against rabies, the permission of the Member State of destination is required. It is possible to be issued:

- -For very young animals that depend on their mothers.
- -For animals not accompanied by their mothers, but bearing an electronic identification mark and being accompanied by a pet passport and a veterinary certificate stating that:
- Their mother has been vaccinated against rabies and, at parturition time, the vaccination period was valid,
- They haven't been in contact with wild animals, therefore they haven't been exposed to the rabies infection.
- Should not be more than 5 in number. In any other case, it is considered a commercial movement.

Note: <u>Since some member states might have banned the entrance in their territory of pets under three months of age, passengers are required to get all relevant information in advance from the competent authority of the member state of destination.</u>

c) Non commercial movements of other animals covered by the present Regulation:

Movements of rodents, rabbits, reptiles, amphibia, ornamental fish, spiders and other intervebrates (except bees and crustaceans) are subject to national rules. The interest part is required to get in advance all relevant information from the competent authority of the member state of destination.

3. Movements from Greece to the United Kingdom, Ireland, Finland and Malta.

- -The provisions of Section D-2 are required.
- In addition, dogs traveling for non-commercial purposes and entering the above Member States must be treated for early and mature forms of intestinal parasite Echinococcus multilocularis, within a period of 24 to 120 hours before the scheduled time of admission in those Member States. The treatment is administered by a veterinarian and certified in the respective field of the pet passport.

4. Movements from other Member States to Greece

- a) Movements of dogs, cats, and ferrets over three (3) months of age:
- -Animals should be identified electronically (microchip)
- -Animals should be accompanied by the passport laid down in Commission Decision 2003/803/EC, which verifies the vaccination or revaccination of the animal against rabies.
- -Must not be more than 5.Otherwise provisions of Commission Directive 92/65/EC must be respected.

b) Movements of dogs, cats, and ferrets under three (3) months old:

Movements of animals under three (3) months old unvaccinated against rabies, are free, under the requirement that:

- -Since they are dependent on their mothers and are accompanied by their mothers during their movement, a verification is attached, or the date of labor, the number of the young and possibly the identification characteristics of the young are entered in Chapter XI on the mother's passport.
- -Must not be more than 4
- -In case the young are not accompanied by their mother, the following are required for them:
- To be electronically identified,
- To bear a pet passport,

- To be accompanied by a veterinary attestation verifying that "their mother has been vaccinated against rabies and that the vaccination period during the labour period is valid. The animals have not been in contact with wild animals and have not been exposed to rabies infection."
- Must not be more than 5. Otherwise provisions of Commission Directive 92/65/EC must be respected.

c) Movements for non-commercial purposes of other pet animals:

Until the relevant community rules are laid down, movements of rodents, rabbits, reptiles, amphibians, ornamental fish, spiders and other invertebrates (except bees and crustaceans) are free, not subject to animal health restrictions and not required to be accompanied by a veterinary certificate.

With reserve to possible animal health restrictions, birds' movements are free from a veterinary point of view, provided that they will be accompanied by a veterinary health declaration as follows:

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5. Movement from other countries EEA (European Economic Area)

Movements of pet animals from Andorra, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Monaco, Norwegia, San Marino, Switzerland, and Vatican to Greece are ruled by the rules referred to the previous point D4.

E. PET ANIMAL MOVEMENT FROM THIRD COUNTRIES

Since the 3rd of July 2004 and onwards, in order for the pet animals' entry to be allowed into the Greek territory, the following requirements are valid:

1. Greece is the direct destination

- a) The entry of pet animals **is prohibited** at entry points where no authorized Border Inspection Posts operate and which are not included in the list of Commission Decision 2009/821/EC, as amended and in force.
- b) The entry of pet animals in Greece is not allowed if they do not bear an electronic identification

The entry of pet animals is allowed:

-Through authorized Border Inspection Posts regardless whether they are authorized or not for the introduction of live animals (see below the list of all BIPs).

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-Through island entry points included in Commission Decision 94/641/EC .

List of island entry points

- 1. Rhodes port and airport
- 2. Kos port and airport
- 3. Kalimnos
- 4. Mitilini port and airport
- 5. Mirina (Limnos) port and airport
- 6. Chios port and airport
- 7. Samos port and airport
- 8. Ermoupolis (Syros)
- 9. Argostoli port
- 10. Iraklio (Crete) port and airport
- 11. Chania (Crete) port and airport
- 12. Corfu port and airport

The Veterinary authorities of the above-mentioned entry-points are obliged to:

- have at their disposal the specific space in order to isolate the animals, the entry of which is not permitted, until they return to their country of dispatch.
- To provide the necessary means for reading the transponder, according to the ISO Standard 11785.

2. Entry of dogs, cats and ferrets over three (3) months of age

The animals should:

- a) bear an electronic identification system (microchip) in compliance with ISO standard 11784 and of HDX or FDX-B technology, which can be read by a reading device compatible with standard ISO 11785. In case the electronic identification of the animal does not comply with this standard, the owner of the animal must provide the veterinarian with the necessary means for reading the transponder at the time of the inspection
- b) be vaccinated against rabies or revaccinated, in accordance with the recommendations of the manufacturing laboratory, with an inactivated vaccine of at least one antigenic unit per dose (WHO standard)
- c) have undergone a neutralizing antibody titration test at least equal to 0,5 IU/ml, carried out on a sample taken at least 30 days after vaccination and three months before being moved, in case the animal is coming from a country not included in annex II, chapter C of the Regulation (EC) 998/2003 (as last amended).
 - For the next movements of the same animal the antibody titration need not be renewed as the vaccination protocol required by the manufacturing laboratory is not interrupted. The approved EU and third country laboratories can be found at the following webpage:

http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/liveanimals/pets/approval_en.htm

A certified copy of the serological test of the animal carried out by the laboratory must be attached to the animal health certificate.

The rabies titration test is required **ONLY** for the third countries that are not included in part C, Annex II of Annex of Regulation 998/2003, as it is last amended and in force,

- d) be accompanied by a certificate issued by an official veterinarian, in accordance with Annex I or II of Commission Decision 2011/874/EC
- e) Certified copies of the results of the serological examination of the pet animal must be attached to the health certificate
- z) must not be more than 5

3. Entry of dogs, cats and ferrets under three (3) months of age

The entry into the Greek territory is allowed for pet animals under three months of age, unvaccinated against rabies, under the condition that:

- They are accompanied by their mother during their movements
- are not more than four.
- -they come from third countries included in Annex II, Chapter B and C of Regulation (EC) 998/2003, (see Annex III of the present document)

Note: Annex III is subject to frequent changes

The veterinary health certificate (according to Commission Dec 2011/874) should be accompanied in addition by an attestation of the veterinarian indicating the date of birth and the characteristics of the newly born

In case the young are not accompanied by their mother, the following are required for them:

- to be electronically identified (microchip)
- be accompanied by a veterinary certificate in accordance with Annex of Decision 2011/874/EE -not be more than 5

Note: The date of the last vaccination of the mother should be mentioned at point IV. This date must be at least 30 days before the date of birth referred to at point II. It should also be certified that there has been no contact with wild animals likely to have been exposed to rabies infection.

4. Entry of other pet animals

- a) Until Community rules are adopted the entry of **reptiles**, **amphibians**, **ornamental tropical fish**, **spiders and invertebrate**s (except bees and crustaceans) is permitted without veterinary health restrictions and veterinary certification.
 - b) With reserve to possible animal health restrictions the entry of **rodents and domestic rabbits** is permitted, if they are accompanied by a veterinary declaration, in accordance with the model included in the previous point D.4.c).
- c) The entry of **pet birds** must be accompanied by a health certificate (according to the model you will find below), according to Commission Decision 2007/25/EC as it is amended and in force:

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		4.1.	The bird(s) is/are	'pet animal(s)' as defined in Article 3(a) of Regula	tion (EC) No 998/2003 intended for non-c	ommercial movement.
		4.2.	During the period	between the pre-movement veterinary inspection	and the factual departure the bird(s) will re	emain isolated from any possible contact with any other bird
	either	[4.3.		· ·		spatch without coming into contact with any other bird(s).]
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		1	Box reference I.8:	Provide the code of territory as appearing in	Part 1 of Annex I or in Part 1 of Annex II	to Regulation (EU) No 206/2010.
			Box reference I.15:	Registration number (railway wagons or con		or name (ship) is to be provided.
			Box reference I.19:	Use the appropriate HS codes: 01.06.31, 01.		
1.			Box reference I.23:	For containers or boxes, the container numb	er and the seal number (if applicable) shou	ld be included.
'		1	Box reference I.28:	Identification system: The birds must bear:	of their promises of evigin Specify the id-	entification system (such as clip, leg band, microchip,
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The import of pet birds from Third Countries is allowed only:

-From some third countries after 30 days of isolation under official supervision -or after 10 days of isolation and laboratory testing for avian influenza with negative results -the entrance of pet birds into quarantine in Greece is not allowed

5. Entry into the territory of the EU having Greece as the final destination

Pet animals entering into Greece through the territory of another member-state should meet the health requirements of the above-mentioned points 2, 3 and 4.

6. Entry into Greece with destination other member-States

- -Dogs, cats and ferrets over three (3) months of age entering into Greece with destination other member-states, must be accompanied by a health certificate according to Commission Decision 2011/874/EC.
- Dogs, cats and ferrets under three months of age are subject to the health requirements of the destination country.
- Other species of pets are subject to the health requirements of the destination country.

7. Re-entry of animals coming from the EU

The re-entry of EU dogs, cats and ferrets is permitted in case they are accompanied by their pet passport without a break in the vaccination protocol against rabies required by the manufacturing laboratory.

<u>ATTENTION</u>: In case the animals will come from the territory of a third country not included in part C, of Annex II of Regulation (EC) n. 998/2003, the rabies titration test before the animal exits the country is required. In case the rabies titration test is not performed before the animal abandons the EU territory, it has to undergo a rabies titration test with favorable results and must wait for a period of three months **before its re-entry can be allowed**.

If the above conditions are not satisfied, the entry of the animal into the country is not permitted.

F. MOVEMENT OF PET ANIMALS FROM GREECE TO THIRD COUNTRIES

The movement of pet animals from Greece to non-EU countries is subject to the national provisions of each country.

Travellers have at least six (6) months before their departure to ask for information from the competent authorities of the country of destination or possibly from the Embassies of the countries of destination, in Greece.

The veterinary services must take under consideration this information in order to be informed about the requirements of the country of destination, to carry out the necessary blood tests and establish the requested model veterinary certificates.

G. VALIDITY OF THE VETERINARY CERTIFICATE FOR ANIMALS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES

- 1. The veterinary certificate for non-commercial movement of dogs, cats and ferrets from third countries, is valid for intra-Community movement for a period of **four (4) months** from the date of issue or until the expiry date of the vaccination against rabies. The earliest date will be taken into consideration.
- 2. In case the certificate is issued and signed by a veterinary surgeon, the competent authority of the country of dispatch must validate this certificate.

H. CONTROL PROCEDURES - PENALTIES

1. In the interior of the country:

- Safeguard measures concerning the veterinary checks applicable in the Greek territory are laid down in parts B and D of Presidential Decree 420/1993 (A'179).
- Safeguard measures provided for the control procedures applied to the identification, registration of the animals and their owners, the welfare as well as the animal health requirements laid down in the provisions of Law n. 4039/2012 and Ministerial Decision 314754/2009 (B 2025).
 - A) The Competent Authorities responsible for the identification and confirmation of violations of Law 4039/2012 are the Municipal Police, the Forestry Services as far as concerns the hunting dogs and Customs officials. The Veterinary authorities of the Prefectures are obliged to take any legal measures or to impose penalties, in case the pet owners do not comply with the provisions' requirements referred to in point A. They also ought to contribute and to look into the cases referred to them by other controlling authorities and Agencies.
 - B) The Departments of Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine carry out inspections according to Regulation 1/2005 and impose sanctions under Article 17 of Ministerial Decision 314754/2009.
 - They must also provide their assistance in cases referred to them by any other supervisory authorities and bodies.
 - a) The responsible persons for the passengers' transportation by ship
 - b) Companies responsible for the passengers' transportation by planes
 - c) The responsible persons for the passengers' transportation by train
 - d) The drivers of tourist buses and the other means of transportation ought to:
 - Inform the owners accompanying the animals about the rules imposed on the movements of their animals and not allow the animals to board without passport or identification.

- e) The officers of the Forestry Services as far as concerns the hunting dogs, the Municipal Police, the Local Authorities Organization, the Police Departments, the Port Authorities and every controlling authority have the responsibility of:
 - controlling the passports of the pet animals or hunting dogs
 - verifying the identification of the animals (microchip number)

In case of infringement, the above-mentioned authorities must cooperate with the nearest local veterinary unit.

- **f**) Individual travelers, traveling with their animals must always carry all the provided accompanying documents of the animal and submit them to the competent controlling authorities if they are asked for it.
- g) The officials of the Municipal Police, the police authorities, the port authorities, the airport security authorities, the Forestry Services and any other supervisory authority have the responsibility of:
- controlling the passports of the pet animals
- verifying the identification of the animals (microchip number).

In case of infringement, the above-mentioned authorities must cooperate with the nearest local veterinary unit.

h) Individual travelers, traveling with their animals must always carry all the provided accompanying documents of the animal and submit them to the competent controlling authorities if they are asked .

2. In the entry-points from third countries

- a) The custom authorities and the guards of the borders in the entry-points which are not licensed for the entry of pet animals must not allow them to enter into the Greek territory.
 Custom authorities of the entry-points, through which the entry of pet animals is allowed, must cooperate with the competent veterinary authorities and send the animals for veterinary control.
- b) The B.I.Ps and the veterinary authorities in the entry-points of the islands referred to in the Commission Decision 94/641/EC, must proceed to:
- The control of the accompanying documents,
- The identification of the animals,
- the eventual clinical examination of the animals

If controls indicate that the animals do not meet the requested requirements, the competent authorities will decide:

- Either to send the animals back to the country of dispatch or
- to isolate the animals for as long as it is necessary or
- to make euthanasia without compensation, in case it is impossible to send them back or isolate them.

The animals should be accompanied by the **original** necessary previously documents, sealed properly as following:

Entry Permitted
Date
Name of the Veterinarian
Signature
Stamp

Entry Prohibited
Date
Name of the Veterinarian
Signature
Stamp

The print out of the above-mentioned stamp of the veterinarian must be of different color of the certification printing.

A copy of the original veterinary certification must be kept in the files concerning the non-commercial movements of live animals of the veterinary service in the entry-points, for three years.

c) Animals that are more than five (5) or if not accompanied ,whether they come from other Member States or third country regardless the species, are considered as a commercial dispatch and are therefore subject to control procedures laid down by the provisions on live animals imports (Directive 92/65/EC).

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ANNEX I

AUTHORIZED LABORATORIES OF THE MEMBER STATES OR THIRD COUNTRIES FOR RABIES

 $(http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/liveanimals/pets/approval_en.htm)\\$

Name of the laboratory	Address	Telephone number, fax, email, website	Date of approval		
Austria A					
Osterreichische Agentur für Gesundheit und Ernährungssicherheit GmbH Veterinärmedizinische Untersuchungen Mödling	Robert-Koch-Gasse 17 A-2340 Mödling	Tel / Fax: +43.2236.46.640 909 / 640 941 angelika.loitsch@ages.at	Date of approval: 29/03/2001		
Belgium A					
Scientific Institute of Public Health Contagious and Transmittable Diseases National Reference Laboratory of Rabies	642, rue Engeland- straat B-1180 Bruxelles/Brussel	Tel / Fax: 00.32.2.373.32 56 / 32 86 rage@iph.fgov.be http://www.pasteur.be http://www.iph.fgov.be	Date of approval: 29/03/2001		
Czech Republic					
Statni veterinarni ustav Praha	Sidlistni 24 CZ-165 05 Praha 6 - Lysolaje	Tel / Fax: (420) 251 031 111 /220 920 655 sekretariat@svupraha.cz	Date of approval: 14/09/2005		
Denmark 📤					
Technical University of Denmark - National Veterinary Institute	Lindholm 4771 Kalvehave DANEMARK	Tel +45 35886000 Fax +45 35887901 vet@vet.dtu.dk	Date of approval: 29/03/2001		

Germany 📤				
Institut für Virologie, Fachbereich Veterinärmedizin Justus-Liebig-Universität Giessen	Frankfurter Strasse 107 D-35392 Giessen	Tel / Fax: +49.6419.938 363 / 938 379 matthias.koenig@vetmed.uni- giessen.de http://www.vetmed.uni- giessen.de/viro/de/	Date of app 29/03/2001	roval:
Eurovir Hygiene-Institut	Im Biotechnologiepark D-14943 Luckenwalde	Tel: +49 3371 681 269 Fax: +49 3371 681 275 olaf.thraenhart@dgn.de	Date of app 29/03/2001	roval:
Bayerisches Landesamt für Gesundheit und Lebensmittelsicherheit Dienststelle Oberschleissheim	Veterinärstr. 2 D - 85764 Oberschleissheim	Tel: +49.89.31560 321 Fax: +49.89.31560 129 poststelle@lgl.bayern.de	Date of approval: 29/03/2001	Date of expiry 06/08/2009
Landesamt für Verbraucherschutz Sachsen-Anhalt Fachbereich 4 Veterinärmedizin	Haferbreiter Weg 132-135 D-39576 Stendal	Tel / Fax: +49.3931.631 141 / 631 153 susanne.kenklies@sdl.lav.ms.lsa- net.de	Date of app 03/05/2002	roval:
StaatlichesVeterinäruntersuchungsamt	Zur Taubeneiche 10- 12 D-59821 Arnsberg	Tel / Fax: +49.2931.809 270 Fax: +49.2931.809 290 Christiane.Linne@svua- arnsberg.nrw.de	Date of app 03/05/2002	roval:
Friedrich-Loeffler-Institut Bundesforschungsinstitut für Tiergesundheit Institut für epidemiologische Diagnostik	Seestrasse 55 D-16868 Wusterhausen	Tel / Fax: +49.3397.980 186 / 980 200 <u>Thomas.Mueller@fli.bund.de</u>	Date of app 03/05/2002	roval:
Landesuntersuchungsanstalt für das Gesundheits- und Veterinärwesen Sachsen	Zschopauer Strasse 186 D-09126 Chemnitz	Tel / Fax: +49.371.6009 0 / 109 Silke.Mitro@LUA.SMS.Sachsen.de	Date of app 08/10/2004	roval:
Vet Med Labor GmbH Division of IDEXX Laboratories	Mörikestr. 28/3 D-71636 Ludwigsburg	Tel / Fax: +49.1802.838.633 / +49.7141.6483.555 rabies-germany@idexx.com	Date of app 27/01/2006	roval:
Estonia 📤				
Estonian Veterinary and Food	Kreutzwaldi 30	Tel / Fax: + 372.7.386.101/ 386.102	Date of app	roval:
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Laboratory	EE-51 006 Tartu	kylli@vetlab.ee	17/05/2005
Spain			
Laboratorio Central de Sanidad Animal de Santa Fe	Camino del Jau s/n E-18320 Santa Fe (Granada)	Tel / Fax: (34).958.44.04 00 / 12 00 clvgr@mapya.es	Date of approval: 29/03/2001
Finland			
Finnish Food Safety Authority Evira (recognition date :) Department of Animal Diseases and Food Safety Research	Mustialankatu 3, FI- 00790 Helsinki, Finland (visiting address changes around 20 June 2006)	Tel. +358 20 7724576 Fax. +358 20 7724363 anita.huovilainen@evira.fi	Date of approval: 29/03/2001
France -			
AFSSA Nancy LERRPAS Technopôle Agricole et Vétérinaire	BP 40 009 54220 Malzéville Cedex	Tel / Fax: +33.3.83.29.89 50 / 89 58 f.cliquet@afssa.fr	Date of approval: 29/03/2001
Laboratoire Vétérinaire Départemental de la Haute-Garonne (recognition date :)	76 Chemin Boudou F-31140 Launaguet	Tel / Fax: +33.5.62.79.94 20 / 94 30 lvd31@cg31.fr	Date of approval: 29/03/2001
Laboratoire Départemental de la Sarthe	128 rue de Beaugé F-72018 Le Mans CEDEX 2	Tel / Fax: +33.2.43.39.95 70 / 95 80 sylvie.poliak@cg72.fr	Date of approval: 29/03/2001
Laboratoire Départemental d'analyses du Pas de Calais	Parc de hautes technologies des Bonnettes, 2 rue genévrier F-62022 Arras CEDEX 2	Tel / Fax: +33.3.21.51 46 54 / 71 48 55 Ida62@cg62.fr	Date of approval: 03/05/2002
United Kingdom ▲			
Veterinary Laboratory Agency Virology Department	Woodham Lane New Haw Addlestone Surrey UK - KT15 3	Tel / Fax: +44.1932.35.78 40 / 72 39 <u>t.fooks@vla.defra.gsi.gov.uk</u>	Date of approval: 29/03/2001

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Biobest Laboratories Ltd	Charles Darwin House The Edinburgh Technopole Bush Estate, Penicuik EH26 0PJ, United Kingdom	Tel. +44 (0)131 440 2628 Fax. +44 (0)131 440 9587 enquiry@biobest.co.uk Weboe: www.biobest.co.uk	Date of approval: 14/11/2001
Greece 📤			
Centre of Athens Veterinary Institutions Virus Department	25 Neapoleos Str. GR-15310 AG. Paraskevi, Athens	Tel / Fax: 00.30.1.601.09 03 / 25 94 viruslab@ath.forthnet.gr	Date of approval: 29/03/2001
Hungary 📤			
Mezogazdasagi Szakigazgatasi Hivatal Központ, Allat-egeszsegügyi Diagnosztikai Igazgatosag Central Agricultural Office, Veterinary Diagnostic Directorate	Tabornok U. 2 HU-1149 Budapest Mailing address : 146. Pf. 2, 1581 Budapest	Tel / Fax:+ 36 1 460 6300 / 252 5177 <u>titkarsag@oai.hu</u>	Date of approval: 17/05/2005
<u>Italy</u>			
Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale delle Venezie	Via Romea 14/A I-35020 Legnaro	Tel / Fax: +39.49.8084 259 / 8830 530 fmutinelli@izsvenezie.it	Date of approval: 29/03/2001
Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale Dell'Abruzzo e del Molise G Caporale	Via Campio Boario I-64100 Teramo	Tel / Fax: +39.861.3321/ 332251 rlelli@izs.it	Date of approval: 29/03/2001
Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale del Lazio e della Toscana	Via Appia Nuova 1411 I-00178 Roma /Capannelle	Tel / Fax: +39.6.79099 1 / 79340724 gianluca.autorino@izslt.it	Date of approval: 03/05/2002
<u>Lithuania</u>			
National Veterinary Laboratory/Nacionaline Veterinarijos Laboratorija	J. Kairiukscio 10 LT-2010 Vilnius	Tel / Fax: + 370 5 278 04 70 / 04 71 nvl@is.lt	Date of approval: 17/05/2005

Latvia 📤					
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The Netherlands 📤					
Central Veterinary Institute of Wageningen UR	P.O. Box 65 8200 AB Lelystad The Netherlands	Tel/Fax: +31 320 238 800/238 668 hans.kramps@wur.nl www.cvi.wur.nl	Date of approval: 08/10/2004		
Poland -					
National Veterinary Research Institute	Al. Partyzantow 57 PL- 24-100 Pulawy	Tel / Fax: 00 48 81 886 30 51/ 25 95 jfzmudzi@piwet.pulawy.pl	Date of approval: 08/10/2004		
Portugal A					
Laboratorio Nacional de Investigaçao Veterinaria (LNIV)	Estrada de Benfica N° 701 PT-1500 Lisboa	Tel / Fax: 00 35 121 711 52 00/ 53 80 isabel.almeida@Iniv.min-agricultura.pt	Date of approval: 08/10/2004		
Romania 📤					
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Slovenia 📤					
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Institut für Veterinär virologie	Länggass str. 122	Tel / Fax: +41.31.631.23 78 / 25 34	Date of approval: 20/11/2002
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Pasteur Institute (recognition date :)	Hajduk Veljkova 1	Tel: +381.21.420.528	Date of approval: 30/01/2006
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<u>Israel</u>			
Rabies Laboratory	Bet Dagan 50250 P.O.B 12	Fax: +972.03.9681721	Date of approval: 05/02/2004
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Republic of Korea			
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	Gyeonggi-do 430- 824	cheso@nvrqs.go.kr		
Seoul Regional Office of the National Veterinary Research and Quarantine.	39-9 Neungan 2 gil,	Tel/Fax: +82 2 2650 0658/0645	Date of approval: 25/06/08	
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Japan 📤				
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Research Institute for Animal Science In Biochemistry and Toxicology	3-7-11, Hashimotodai, Midori- ward Sagamihara	Tel/Fax: 042 762 2775 / 762 7979	Date of approval: 27/01/2005	
	Kanagawa, 252-0132	m-nishimura@riasbt.or.jp		
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The All Russian State Centre for Quality and Standardisation of Veterinary Drugs and Feed (VGNKI)	5 Zvenigorodskoe shosse	Tel/fax: 007(499)259-27-18	Date of approval: 07/07/2005	
	123022 Moscow	cmd@vgnki.ru - biogem@vgnki.ru http://www.pcr-lab.narod.ru		
Diagnostic and Prevention research Institute for Human and Animal diseases (DPRI)	Gamalei str. 16 bld. 2	Tel/Fax: 007(499)190-75-61; 007(495)726-54-71	Date of approval: 30/01/2006	
	123098 Moscow	info@dpri.ru ;		

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Tunisia 📤			
Institut de la Recherche Vétérinaire de Tunisie	Rue Djebel Lakhdhar, la Rabta	Tel / Fax : +216 71 562 602/569 692	Date of approval: 20/04/09
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Turkey 📤			
Central Veterinary Control and Research Institute	06020 Etlik,	Tel: +90.312.326.00.90 / 321.17.55	Date of approval: 0/01/2006
	TR- Ankara	ehh.o@etlikvet.gov.tr - etlik@vet.gov.tr	
Ukraina 📤			
Central State Laboratory of Veterinary Medecine	Donetskaya str., 30	Tel: +380.243.37.55	Date of approval: 30/01/2006
	UA-03151 Kiev	E-mail: virus@centrlabvet.com.ua	
United States of America			
Rabies laboratory Kansas State University	2005 Research Park Circle	Tel / Fax: +1.785.532.4483 / 4474	Date of approval: 20/11/2002
	Manhattan, 66502	rabies@vet.ksu.edu	
VETCOM	2472 Schofield Road, building 2632	Tel: 00.1.210.295.4604	Date of approval: 20/11/2002
Food analysis and diagnostic laboratory	Fort Sam Houston	Edwin_Cooper@ln.amedd.army.mi	
	Texas 78234- 6232		
South Africa			
ARC-Onderstepoort Veterinary Institute	Private Bag X05	Tel/Fax: 012 529 9439 / 529 9390	Date of approval:
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Laboratory for Rabies of the Veterinary Institute Faculty of Veterinary Medicine	Lazar Pop- Trajkov 5-7	Date of approval: 01/01/2013
	1000 Skopje	

ANNEX II

DECLARATION

The undersigned [owner or natural person responsible for the animals described above on behalf of the owner]
I declare that the animal / animals will accompany me, owner or natural person which I designate as responsible for the animal / animals on my behalf and not intended for sale or transfer to another owner.
Place and date:
Signature: