



Animal Health Law – entry into application

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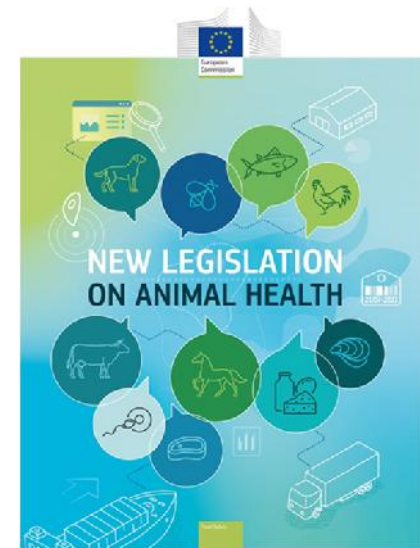
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Application of the Animal Health Law

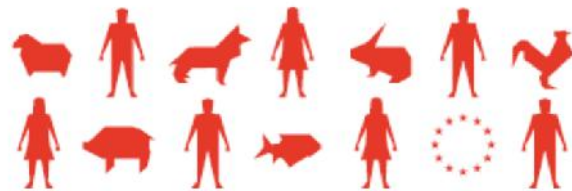
- Regulation (EU) 2016/429 on transmissible animal diseases ('Animal Health Law') (AHL)
 - adopted by the European Parliament and the Council in March 2016
 - Entered into force on 21 April 2016
 - Entry into application 21 April 2021
 - complemented by additional rules



Animal Health Law: in the heart of "One Health"



Human Health –
diseases affecting
animals and humans

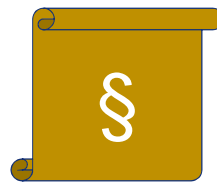


Animals + Humans = One health

Animal diseases



Vet medicines to
control animal
diseases



**Animal Health
Law**

Consideration of
Animal Welfare



Environment - incl.
biodiversity



Calls for postponement of entry into application of AHL

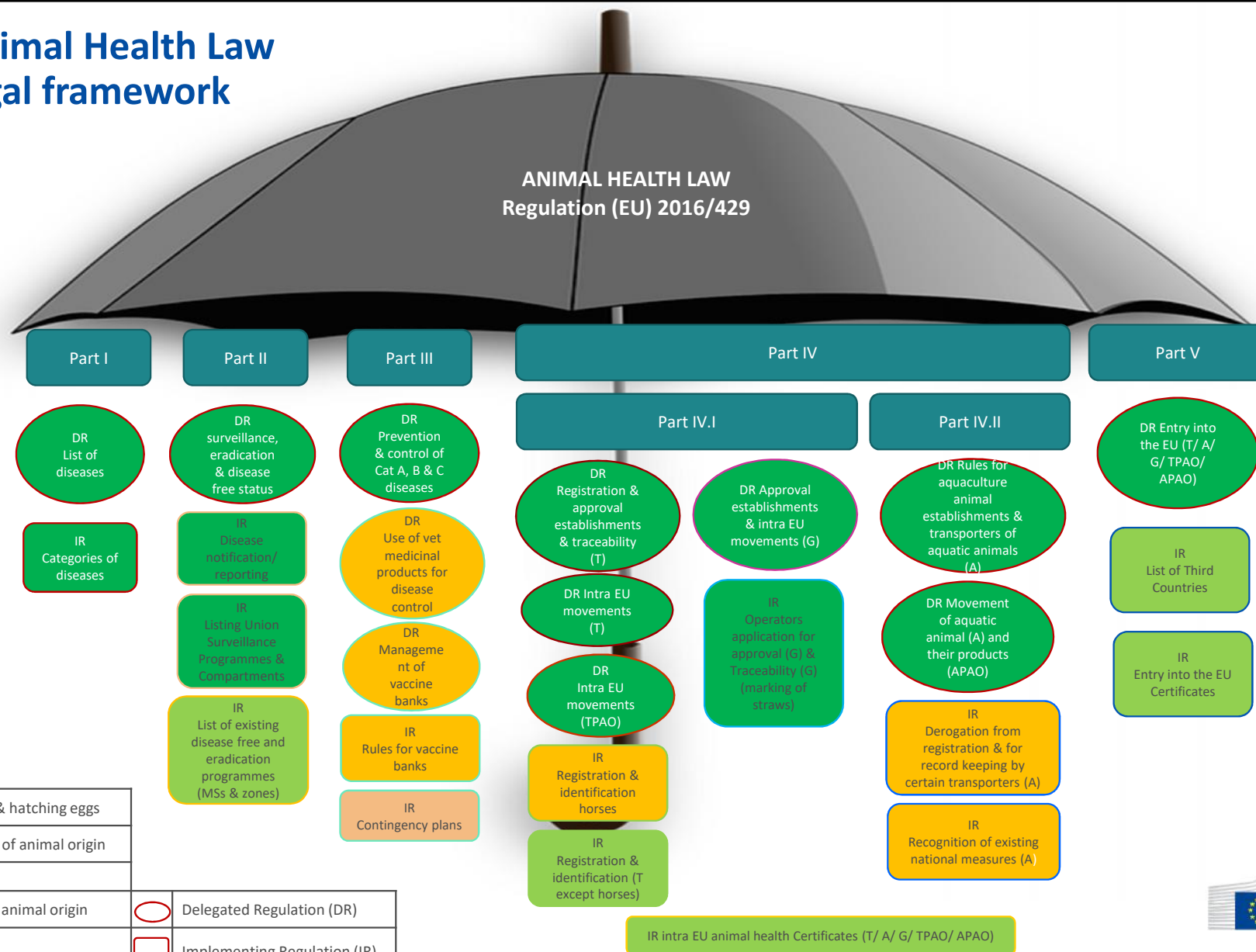
- The Commission has listened to the calls for the postponement of the date of entry into application of the AHL
- Undertaken an in depth analysis and assessed potential consequences
- Conclusion:
 - Postponing the date of application of the AHL would not be a good way forward
 - Instead, reinforced support to MS and stakeholders for its smooth implementation and enforcement, incl. additional transitional measures



Support to Member States

- Transitional measures for
 - Animal health and veterinary certificates for entry into the EU - until 20/10/2021
 - Animal health and veterinary certificates for intra- EU movements – new derogation introduced
- Helping Member States to achieve a smooth transition
 - Including a pragmatic and flexible approach in compliance and enforcement for the first few months
- Support through other actions
 - E.g. BTSF, communication, supporting documents

Animal Health Law legal framework



Report on the exercise of the power to adopt delegated acts

- Report from the Commission on the exercise of delegation conferred to the Commission pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2016/429 - COM(2021) 57 final
 - More information
 - “Key” acts (all adopted and published in the OJ)
 - Powers used in addition to those considered “key”
 - Powers not yet used

Part I AHL: List of animal diseases and categorisation

- List of animal diseases
 - List of animal diseases of Article 5(1) and
 - Annex II updated by Regulation (EU) 2018/1629
- Categories of animal diseases
 - Diseases categories and list of species assigned by Regulation (EU) 2018/1882

Part II: Notification, surveillance, eradication and disease freedom

- [Delegated Regulation \(EU\) 2020/689](#) on surveillance, eradication programmes and disease free status
- Implementing Regulations:
 - [Regulation \(EU\) 2020/690](#) – list of diseases for Union surveillance programmes and for compartments (aquatic animal diseases)
 - [Regulation \(EU\) 2020/2002](#) – notification and reporting of animal diseases
- Work ongoing:
 - Amendment to Regulation (EU) 2020/689
 - Transfer of approved eradication programmes disease free statuses

Part III: Disease control measures

- [Delegated Regulation \(EU\) 2020/687](#) on disease control measures for category A, B and C diseases
- Work ongoing:
 - Amendment to Regulation (EU) 2020/687 (final stages)
 - Delegated Regulation on the use of veterinary medicinal products for the prevention and control of listed diseases
 - Delegated and Implementing Regulation on the management of antigen, vaccine and diagnostic reagent banks

Part IV/1: Registration approval, traceability and movements of terrestrial animals

- [Delegated Regulation \(EU\) 2019/2035](#) on registration, approval and traceability (amended by [Reg \(EU\) 2020/1625](#))
- [Delegated Regulation \(EU\) 2020/688](#) on movements of terrestrial animals
- Work ongoing (final stages):
 - Amendments to Delegated Regulations (EU) 2019/2035 and 2020/688
 - Implementing Regulation on traceability of terrestrial animals (with the exemption of equidae)
 - Implementing Regulation on traceability of equidae (horse passport)
 - Implementing Regulation on exemption of establishments and operators from registration obligations
 - Implementing Regulation on animal health certificates

Racing pigeons



Proposed amendment to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/688:

Operators shall only move racing pigeons to sporting events in another Member State when those animals:

- ★ • comply with the requirements of Article 59 of Regulation (EU) 2020/688, except the requirement as regards a residency period
- ★ • are accompanied by a self-declaration by operators in accordance with Article 151 of Regulation (EU) 2016/429

Article 151

Self-declaration by operators for movements to other Member States

1. Operators at the place of origin shall issue a self-declaration document for movements of kept terrestrial animals from their place of origin in one Member State to their place of destination in another Member State, and shall ensure that it accompanies such animals, where they are not required to be accompanied by an animal health certificate as provided for in Article 143(1) and (2).
2. The self-declaration document provided for in paragraph 1 shall contain the following information concerning the kept terrestrial animals in question:

Part IV/1: Germinal products and products of animal origin

- Germinal products:
 - [**Delegated Regulation \(EU\) 2020/686**](#) on approval of establishments, record keeping, traceability and movements of germinal products
 - [**Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2020/999**](#) on traceability (marking) of germinal products
 - Work ongoing (final stages):
 - Amendment to Regulation (EU) 2020/686 (before adoption)
 - Implementing Regulation on animal health certificates
- Products of animal origin
 - [**Delegated Regulation \(EU\) 2020/2154**](#) on animal health requirements, certification and notification requirements for products of animal origin
 - [**Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2020/2235**](#) on animal health certificates for certain products of animal origin

Part IV/2: Registration approval, traceability and movements of aquatic animals

- Delegated Regulations
 - [Regulation \(EU\) 2020/691](#) on aquaculture establishments and transporters
 - [Regulation \(EU\) 2020/990](#) on movements in the EU of aquatic animals and products of animal origin
- Implementing Regulations
 - [Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2020/2236](#) on animal health certificates for aquatic animals and their products
 - [Implementing Regulation 2021/260](#): Transfer of national measures (aquatic)
- Work ongoing:
 - Implementing Regulation on exemption of establishments and operators from registration obligations

Part V: Entry into the EU

- **Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692** on animal health requirements for entry into the EU of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin
- Implementing Regulations on animal health certificates (**under OCR**)
 - **Regulation (EU) 2020/2235** on animal health certificates for certain products of animal origin
 - **Regulation (EU) 2020/2236** on animal health certificates for aquatic animals and their products
- Work ongoing (final stages):
 - Amendment to Regulation (EU) 2020/692
 - Implementing Regulation on animal health certificates for terrestrial animals and germinal products
 - Implementing Regulation – list of third countries

Thank you for your attention

More information: https://ec.europa.eu/food/animals/health/regulation_en