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## **CIRCULAR**

### **Amending and supplementing clause 1, section II, Appendix XII of Circular No. 25/2016/TT-BNNPTNT dated June 30, 2016 by the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development regulating the quarantine of terrestrial animals and terrestrial animal products**

*Pursuant to Decree No. 35/2025/NĐ-CP dated February 25, 2025 of the Government prescribing the functions, tasks, powers and organizational structure of the Ministry of Agriculture and Environment;*

*Pursuant to the Law on Animal Health dated June 19, 2015;*

*In considering the request of Director General of the Department of Animal Health and Production;*

*The Minister of Agriculture and Environment hereby promulgates a Circular amending and supplementing clause 1, section II, Appendix XII of Circular No. 25/2016/TT-BNNPTNT dated June 30, 2016 by the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development regulating the quarantine of terrestrial animals and terrestrial animal products*

**Article 1. To amend and supplement clause 1, section II, Appendix XII of Circular No. 25/2016/TT-BNNPTNT dated June 30, 2016 by the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development regulating the quarantine of terrestrial animals and terrestrial animal products (as amended and supplemented in Circular No. 35/2018/TT-BNNPTNT dated December 25, 2018, Circular No. 09/2022/TT-BNNPTNT dated August 19, 2022 by the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development and Circular No. 04/2024/TT-BNNPTNT dated April 1, 2024 by the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development).**

Clause 1, section II, Appendix XII are amended and supplemented as follows:

#### **“II. Imported animal products**

##### **1. Animal products use as food**

###### **a) For high – risk animal products**

a1) Taking sample of 100% consignments of goods for inspection, testing of indicators corresponding to the type of animal products as prescribed in Point c, Clause 1, Part II of Appendix XII to this Circular.

a2) Particularly for the indicators of *Salmonella*, *E.coli*, sampling is performed at the following frequency:

Sampling 03 consecutive consignments of goods (*from the same owner and the same country, territory*) for inspection and testing. If the inspection and testing results of 03 consecutive consignments of goods meet the requirements, only 01 random consignment of goods shall be sampled for inspection and testing for every 03 subsequent consignment of goods. In case an unsatisfactory consignment is detected, sampling of the next 03 consecutive consignments of goods shall be applied for inspection and testing.

The animal quarantine agency at border-gate shall take samples at border-gates, inspect the actual status of goods and issue transport certificate (Form 14b) to the goods owner for transportation of the goods to warehouse at the request of the goods owner (warehouse must meet the requirements to preserve the goods); The goods owner must be responsible for transporting and preserving goods while pending for quarantine. In case the goods of animal products cannot be sampled at border-gate, the quarantine agency at border-gate shall take samples for quarantine at preservation warehouse.

Particularly for frozen animal products, it must be kept at border-gate area until satisfactory inspection results are obtained.

b) For low-risk animal products:

To take samples for inspection and testing of indicators as prescribed at Point c, Clause 1, Part II of Appendix XII to this Circular. Frequency of sampling is as follows:

For every 05 consignments of goods (*from the same owner and the same country, territory*), 01 random consignment of goods shall be sampled for inspection and testing; if an unsatisfactory consignment is detected, 03 consecutive consignments of goods shall be sampled for inspection, testing and the inspection and testing results shall be processed as prescribed in Point a2, Clause 1 of this Section.

The taking samples for quarantine and the inspection of the actual status of goods shall be carried out at the border-gate or warehouses of the goods owner meeting the requirements (if so requested by the goods owner); The goods owner must be responsible for transporting and preserving goods while pending for quarantine.

Consignments of goods that are not required to be sampled for inspection, testing: within one working day, the animal quarantine agency at the border gate shall inspect the dossiers and the actual status of the goods. If the requirements are met, import health certificate shall be issued. The goods owner shall be responsible for imported goods.

## c) Inspection indicators

No.	Product type	Inspection indicators
<b>I.</b>	<b>High risk category</b>	
1.1.	Frozen/chilled/preliminarily processed meat, offal, byproducts, and meat products of cattle, goats, sheep, deer.	Foot-and-mouth disease (FMD), Brucellosis, <i>Salmonella</i> , <i>E.coli</i>
1.2.	Frozen/chilled/preliminarily processed meat, offal, byproducts, and meat products of swine.	FMD, African Swine Fever (ASF); <i>Salmonella</i> , <i>E.coli</i>
1.3.	Frozen/chilled/preliminarily processed meat, offal, byproducts, and meat products of poultry and birds.	Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI), Newcastle; <i>Salmonella</i> , <i>E.coli</i>
1.4.	Frozen/chilled/preliminarily processed meat, offal, byproducts, and meat products of other animals that are not specified at ordinal numbers of 1, 2, and 3 of the high-risk category.	Quarantine indicators as agreed between Vietnam and the exporting country
1.5.	Raw milk.	FMD, Brucellosis
1.6.	Fresh poultry eggs.	HPAI, Newcastle; <i>Salmonella</i>
1.7.	Unprocessed bird's nest.	HPAI, Newcastle disease.
<b>II.</b>	<b>Low risk category</b>	
2.1.	Processed meat, offal, byproducts, and meat products of cattle, goats, sheep.	FMD
2.2.	Processed meat, offal, byproducts, and meat products of swine.	FMD, ASF
2.3.	Processed meat, offal, byproducts, and meat products of poultry and birds.	HPAI, Newcastle

2.4.	Processed meat, offal, byproducts, and meat products of other animals that are not specified at ordinal numbers of 1, 2, and 3 of the low-risk category.	Quarantine indicators as agreed between Vietnam and the exporting country
2.5.	Processed milk and milk products.	<i>Salmonella</i>
2.6.	Processed eggs and egg products.	<i>Salmonella</i>

## **Article 2. Enforcement clauses**

1. This Circular takes effect from .....2025

2. For consignments of goods which quarantine declarations are submitted and samples are taken for inspection and testing before the effective date of this Circular shall comply with the provisions of law at the time of submission and sampling.

During implementation, if there exist any difficulties or problems, agencies, organizations and individuals are requested to report to the Ministry of Agriculture and Environment (through the Department of Animal Health and Production) for consideration and decision./.

**MINISTER**

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- SPS Vietnam Office;
- Departments of Agriculture and Environment of provinces and centrally run cities;
- Units under the Department of Animal Health and Production;
- Sub-Department with the specialized management function over animal health and production at provincial level;
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