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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: UKRAINE

If applicable, name of local government involved:

2. Agency responsible: Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine

3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Veterinary drugs, animal feed

4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:

All trading partners

Specific regions or countries:

5. Title of the notified document: Law of Ukraine No. 4718 "On Amendments to Certain Laws of Ukraine Aimed at Aligning Regulation in the Fields of Veterinary Medicine, Animal Welfare and Feed with European Union Legislation". **Language(s):** Ukrainian. **Number of pages:** 155

<https://zakon.rada.gov.ua/laws/show/4718-20#Text>

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/UKR/26_00624_00_x.pdf

6. Description of content: The Law introduces amendments to Ukraine's legislation aimed at aligning sanitary and veterinary measures with the European Union acquis in the fields of animal health, animal welfare, food and feed safety and official veterinary controls.

In particular, the Law provides for:

- improving measures to ensure animal health, including the modernization of financing mechanisms for veterinary and sanitary measures and enhancement of epizootic surveillance and biosecurity systems;
- improving state veterinary and sanitary control (supervision) over the production, registration, circulation and use of veterinary drugs;
- introduction of EU-aligned animal welfare standards, including requirements related to keeping, transport and humane slaughter of farm animals;
- regulation of feed and feed additives in order to ensure a high level of protection of animal and human health;
- restrictions on the use of antimicrobial veterinary drugs, including the prohibition of their use for growth promotion and routine prophylactic purposes, in line with EU approaches.

The adopted measures aim to protect human and animal health, prevent the spread of animal diseases, ensure the safe circulation of products subject to sanitary and veterinary control, and facilitate international trade through alignment with EU sanitary and phytosanitary rules.

7. Objective and rationale: food safety, animal health, plant protection, protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, protect territory from other damage from pests.

8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:

Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):

World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):

International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):

None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

Yes No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:

Laws of Ukraine "On beekeeping"; "On advertising"; "On feed safety and hygiene"; "On the protection of animals from cruel treatment"; "On wildlife"; "On veterinary medicine and animal welfare"; "On veterinary medicine"; "On basic principles and requirements for food safety and quality"; "On licensing of economic activities types"; "On animal by-products not intended for human consumption"; "On state control over compliance with legislation on food products, feed, animal by-products, animal health and welfare"; "On state regulation of genetic engineering activities and state control over the placing on the market of genetically modified organisms and products"

10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 16 December 2025

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 21 January 2026

11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 2 March 2026

Trade facilitating measure

12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 3 April 2026

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