

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2022/1218**of 14 July 2022****amending certain Annexes to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/620 as regards the approval of the disease-free status of certain Member States or zones thereof as regards certain listed diseases and the approval of eradication programmes for certain listed diseases****(Text with EEA relevance)**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2016 on transmissible animal diseases and amending and repealing certain acts in the area of animal health ('Animal Health Law') ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Articles 31(3) and 36(4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EU) 2016/429 lays down disease-specific rules for the diseases listed in accordance with Article 5(1) thereof and lays down how those rules are to be applied to different categories of listed diseases. Regulation (EU) 2016/429 provides for the Member States to establish compulsory eradication programmes for the listed diseases referred to in Article 9(1), point (b), thereof, and for optional eradication programmes for listed diseases referred to in Article 9(1), point (c), thereof, and for the approval of such programmes by the Commission. That Regulation also provides for the approval or withdrawal by the Commission of the disease-free status of Member States or zones or compartments thereof with regard to certain listed diseases referred to in Article 9(1), points (b) and (c), thereof.
- (2) Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/689 ⁽²⁾ supplements Regulation (EU) 2016/429 and lays down the criteria for granting, maintaining, suspending and withdrawing disease-free status for Member States or zones or compartments thereof, and the requirements for the approval of compulsory or optional eradication programmes for Member States or zones or compartments thereof.
- (3) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/620 ⁽³⁾ lays down implementing rules for the listed diseases referred to in Article 9(1), points (a), (b) and (c), of Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of animals, as regards the disease-free and non-vaccination status of certain Member States or zones or compartments thereof, and the approval of eradication programmes for those listed diseases. More particularly, it lists in the Annexes thereto, the Member States or zones or compartments thereof with disease-free status and it also lists the existing approved eradication programmes. The changing epidemiological situation of certain diseases makes it necessary to list new disease-free Member States or zones thereof and to approve certain eradication programmes submitted to the Commission.
- (4) For infection with *Brucella abortus*, *B. melitensis* and *B. suis*, infection with *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* complex (*Mycobacterium bovis*, *M. caprae* and *M. tuberculosis*) (MTBC), enzootic bovine leukosis (EBL), infection with bovine viral diarrhoea (BVD), and infection with bluetongue virus (serotypes 1-24) (BTV), several Member States have recently applied to the Commission to have disease-free status or eradication programmes approved for the whole or for part of their territory.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 84, 31.3.2016, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/689 of 17 December 2019 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards rules for surveillance, eradication programmes, and disease-free status for certain listed and emerging diseases (OJ L 174, 3.6.2020, p. 211).

⁽³⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/620 of 15 April 2021 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the approval of the disease-free and non-vaccination status of certain Member States or zones or compartments thereof as regards certain listed diseases and the approval of eradication programmes for those listed diseases (OJ L 131, 16.4.2021, p. 78).

- (5) For infection with *Brucella abortus*, *B. melitensis* and *B. suis* in bovine animals, Italy has submitted to the Commission information demonstrating that the conditions for the recognition of disease-free status laid down in Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/689 are fulfilled in the Province of Vibo Valentia in the Region of Calabria and in the Province of Teramo in the Region of Abruzzo. Therefore, those zones should be listed as free from infection with *Brucella abortus*, *B. melitensis* and *B. suis* in bovine animals in Part I, Chapter 1, of Annex I to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/620.
- (6) For infection with *Brucella abortus*, *B. melitensis* and *B. suis* in ovine and caprine animals, Italy has submitted to the Commission information demonstrating that the conditions for the recognition of disease-free status laid down in Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/689 are fulfilled in the Province of Lecce in the Region of Puglia. Therefore, that zone should be listed as free from infection with *Brucella abortus*, *B. melitensis* and *B. suis* in ovine and caprine animals in Part I, Chapter 2, of Annex I to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/620.
- (7) For infection with MTBC, Italy has submitted to the Commission information demonstrating that the conditions for recognition of disease-free status from infection with MTBC laid down in Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/689 are fulfilled in the Provinces of Aquila, Chieti and Teramo in the Region of Abruzzo, in the Province of Latina in the Region of Lazio, in the Provinces of Bari and Taranto in the Region of Puglia and in the Province of Nuoro in the Region of Sardinia. Therefore, those zones should be listed as free from infection with MTBC in Part I of Annex II to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/620.
- (8) For infection with EBL, Croatia has submitted to the Commission an application to have an eradication programme approved for its territory. Following the assessment by the Commission, that application has been shown to comply with the criteria laid down in Chapter 2 of Part II of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/689 for approval of eradication programmes for EBL. Therefore, this Member State should be listed accordingly in Part II of Annex IV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/620, as having an approved eradication programme for EBL.
- (9) For infection with BVD, Denmark and Germany have submitted to the Commission information demonstrating that the conditions for recognition of the disease-free status from BVD laid down in Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/689 are fulfilled on the whole territory of Denmark and in Landkreis Ravensburg, Erding, Weilheim-Schongau, Oberallgäu and Fulda in Germany, respectively. Therefore, that Member State and those zones should be listed accordingly in Part I of Annex VII to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/620, as having disease-free status from BVD.
- (10) For infection with BVD, Ireland has submitted to the Commission an application to have an eradication programme approved for its territory. Following the assessment by the Commission, that application has been shown to comply with the criteria laid down in Part II, Chapter 2, of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/689 for approval of eradication programmes for BVD. Therefore, this Member State should be listed accordingly in Part II of Annex VII to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/620, as having an approved eradication programme for BVD.
- (11) As regards infection with BTV, Germany has submitted to the Commission information demonstrating that the conditions for recognition of disease-free status from BTV are fulfilled for the whole territory of Baden-Württemberg, Hessen and Nordrhein-Westfalen. Following the assessment by the Commission, those applications have been shown to comply with the criteria laid down in Part II, Chapter 2, of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/689 for the granting of disease-free status for BTV. Therefore, those zones should be listed in Part I of Annex VIII to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/620, as having disease-free status from BTV.
- (12) Annexes I, II, IV, VII and VIII to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/620 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (13) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annexes I, II, IV, VII and VIII to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/620 are amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 14 July 2022.

For the Commission
The President
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

ANNEX

Annexes I, II, IV, VII and VIII to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/620 are amended as follows:

(1) Annex I is amended as follows:

(a) Part I is amended as follows:

(i) in Chapter 1, the entry for Italy is replaced by the following:

Member State	Territory
'Italy	Regione Abruzzo: Provincia di Pescara, Teramo Regione Calabria: Provincia di Vibo Valentia Regione Campania: Province di Avellino, Benevento, Napoli Regione Emilia-Romagna Regione Friuli Venezia Giulia Regione Lazio Regione Liguria Regione Lombardia Regione Marche Regione Molise: Provincia di Campobasso Regione Piemonte Regione Puglia: Province di Bari, Barletta-Andria-Trani, Brindisi, Lecce Regione Sardegna Regione Toscana Regione Trentino – Alto Adige Regione Umbria Regione Valle d'Aosta Regione Veneto'

(ii) Chapter 2 is replaced by the following:

'CHAPTER 2

Member States or zones thereof with disease-free status from infection with *Brucella abortus*, *B. melitensis* and *B. suis* in ovine and caprine animal populations

Member State (*)	Territory
Belgium	Whole territory
Czechia	Whole territory
Denmark	Whole territory
Germany	Whole territory
Estonia	Whole territory
Ireland	Whole territory
Spain	Whole territory
France	Région Auvergne et Rhône-Alpes Région Bourgogne-Franche-Comté Région Bretagne Région Centre-Val de Loire Région Corse Région Grande Est Région Hauts-de-France Région Ile-de-France Région Normandie Région Nouvelle-Aquitaine

	Région Occitanie Région Pays de la Loire Région Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur
Italy	Regione Abruzzo Regione Calabria: Province di Catanzaro, Cosenza Regione Campania: Provincia di Benevento Regione Emilia-Romagna Regione Friuli Venezia Giulia Regione Lazio Regione Liguria Regione Lombardia Regione Marche Regione Molise Regione Piemonte Regione Puglia: Province di Bari, Barletta-Andria-Trani, Brindisi, Lecce, Taranto Regione Sardegna Regione Toscana Regione Trentino – Alto Adige Regione Umbria Regione Valle d'Aosta Regione Veneto
Cyprus	Whole territory
Latvia	Whole territory
Lithuania	Whole territory
Luxembourg	Whole territory
Hungary	Whole territory
Netherlands	Whole territory
Austria	Whole territory
Poland	Whole territory
Portugal	Região Autónoma dos Açores
Romania	Whole territory
Slovenia	Whole territory
Slovakia	Whole territory
Finland	Whole territory
Sweden	Whole territory
United Kingdom (Northern Ireland)	Northern Ireland

(*) In accordance with the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 5(4) of the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland in conjunction with Annex 2 to that Protocol, for the purposes of this Annex references to Member States include the United Kingdom in respect of Northern Ireland.

(b) Part II is amended as follows:

(i) in Chapter 1, the entry for Italy is replaced by the following:

Member State	Territory
Italy	Regione Abruzzo: Provincia dell'Aquila, di Chieti Regione Basilicata

	Regione Calabria: Provincia di Catanzaro, Cosenza, Crotone, Reggio Calabria Regione Campania: Provincia di Caserta, Salerno Regione Molise: Provincia di Isernia Regione Puglia: Provincia di Foggia, Taranto Regione Sicilia'
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(ii) in Chapter 2, the entry for Italy is replaced by the following:

Member State	Territory
'Italy	Regione Basilicata Regione Calabria: Provincia di Crotone, Reggio Calabria, Vibo Valentia Regione Campania: Provincia di Caserta, Salerno, Avellino, Napoli Regione Puglia: Provincia di Foggia Regione Sicilia'

(2) Annex II is amended as follows:

(a) Part I is replaced by the following:

'PART I

Member States or zones thereof with disease-free status from infection with MTBC

Member State	Territory
Belgium	Whole territory
Czechia	Whole territory
Denmark	Whole territory
Germany	Whole territory
Estonia	Whole territory
Spain	Comunidad Autónoma de Canarias Comunidad Autónoma de Galicia Comunidad Autónoma del País Vasco Comunidad Autónoma del Principado de Asturias
France	Whole territory
Italy	Regione Abruzzo Regione Basilicata: Provincia di Matera Regione Emilia-Romagna Regione Friuli Venezia Giulia Regione Lazio: Provincia di Frosinone, Latina, Rieti, Viterbo Regione Liguria Regione Lombardia Regione Marche: Provincia di Ancona, Ascoli Piceno, Fermo, Pesaro-Urbino Regione Molise Regione Piemonte Regione Puglia: Provincia di Bari, Taranto Regione Sardegna: Città metropolitana di Cagliari, Provincia di Nuoro, Oristano, Sud Sardegna Regione Toscana Regione Trentino – Alto Adige Regione Umbria Regione Valle d'Aosta Regione Veneto

Latvia	Whole territory
Lithuania	Whole territory
Luxembourg	Whole territory
Hungary	Whole territory
Netherlands	Whole territory
Austria	Whole territory
Poland	Whole territory
Portugal	Região Algarve: all distritos Região Autónoma dos Açores except Ilha de São Miguel
Slovenia	Whole territory
Slovakia	Whole territory
Finland	Whole territory
Sweden	Whole territory'

(b) Part II is replaced by the following:

PART II

Member States or zones thereof with an approved eradication programme for infection with MTBC

Member State (*)	Territory
Bulgaria	Whole territory
Croatia	Whole territory
Cyprus	Whole territory
Greece	Whole territory
Ireland	Whole territory
Italy	Regione Basilicata: Provincia di Potenza Regione Calabria Regione Campania Regione Lazio: Provincia di Roma Regione Marche: Provincia di Macerata Regione Puglia: Provincia di Barletta-Adria-Trani, Brindisi, Foggia, Lecce Regione Sardegna: Provincia di Sassari Regione Sicilia
Malta	Whole territory
Portugal	Região Autónoma dos Açores: Ilha de São Miguel Região Autónoma da Madeira Distritos Aveiro, Beja, Braga, Bragança, Castelo Branco, Coimbra, Évora, Guarda, Leiria, Lisboa, Portalegre, Porto, Santarém, Setúbal, Viana do Castelo, Vila Real, Viseu
Romania	Whole territory
Spain	Comunidad Autónoma de Andalucía Comunidad Autónoma de Aragón Comunidad Autónoma de Islas Baleares Comunidad Autónoma de Cantabria

	Comunidad Autónoma de Castilla-La Mancha Comunidad Autónoma de Castilla y León Comunidad Autónoma de Cataluña Comunidad Autónoma de Extremadura Comunidad Autónoma de La Rioja Comunidad Autónoma de Madrid Comunidad Autónoma de Murcia Comunidad Autónoma de Navarra, Comunidad Autónoma de Valencia
United Kingdom (Northern Ireland)	Northern Ireland

(*) In accordance with the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 5(4) of the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland in conjunction with Annex 2 to that Protocol, for the purposes of this Annex references to Member States include the United Kingdom in respect of Northern Ireland.'

(3) in Annex IV, Part II is replaced by the following:

'PART II

Member States or zones thereof with an approved eradication programme for EBL

Member State	Territory	Date of initial approval as referred to in Article 15(2) of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/689
Croatia	Whole territory	18 July 2022'

(4) in Annex VII, Parts I and II are replaced by the following:

'PART I

Member States or zones thereof with disease-free status from BVD

Member State	Territory
Austria	Whole territory
Denmark	Whole territory
Finland	Whole territory
Germany	Bundesland Baden-Württemberg Bundesland Bayern: The following cities and Landkreis in Regierungsbezirk Oberbayern: Ingolstadt, Stadt München, Stadt Rosenheim, Altötting, Berchtesgadener Land, Bad Tölz-Wolfratshausen, Ebersberg, Eichstätt, Erding, Freising, Fürstenfeldbruck, Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Landsberg am Lech, Miesbach, Mühldorf am Inn, Lkr. München, Neuburg-Schrobenhausen, Pfaffenhofen an der Ilm, Lkr. Rosenheim, Starnberg, Traunstein, Weilheim-Schongau The following cities and Landkreis in Regierungsbezirk Niederbayern: Stadt Landshut, Stadt Passau, Stadt Straubing, Freyung-Grafenau, Kelheim, Lkr. Landshut, Lkr. Passau, Regen, Rottal-Inn The following cities and Landkreis in Regierungsbezirk Oberpfalz: Stadt Amberg, Stadt Regensburg, Weiden in der Oberpfalz, Lkr. Amberg-Weizbach, Cham, Neumarkt in der Oberpfalz, Neustadt an der Waldnaab, Lkr. Regensburg, Schwandorf, Tirschenreuth

	The following cities and Landkreis in Regierungsbezirk Oberfranken: Stadt Bamberg, Stadt Bayreuth, Stadt Coburg, Stadt Hof, Lkr. Bamberg, Lkr. Bayreuth, Lkr. Coburg, Forchheim, Lkr. Hof, Kronach, Kulmbach, Lichtenfels, Wunsiedel im Fichtelgebirge The following cities and Landkreis in Regierungsbezirk Mittelfranken: Stadt Ansbach, Stadt Erlangen, Stadt Fürth, Nürnberg, Schwabach, Lkr. Ansbach, Lkr. Erlangen-Höchstädt, Lkr. Fürth, Nürnberger Land, Neustadt an der Aisch-Bad Windsheim, Roth, Weißenburg-Gunzenhausen The following cities and Landkreis in Regierungsbezirk Unterfranken: Stadt Aschaffenburg, Stadt Schweinfurt, Stadt Würzburg, Lkr. Aschaffenburg, Bad Kissingen, Röhn-Grabfeld, Haßberge, Kitzingen, Miltenberg, Main-Spessart, Lkr. Schweinfurt, Lkr. Würzburg The following cities and Landkreis in Regierungsbezirk Schwaben: Stadt Augsburg, Kaufbeuren, Kempten im Allgäu, Memmingen, Aichach-Friedberg, Dillingen an der Donau, Neu-Ulm, Lindau, Oberallgäu, Unterallgäu, Donau-Ries Bundesland Brandenburg Bundesland Bremen Bundesland Hamburg Bundesland Hessen Bundesland Mecklenburg-Vorpommern Bundesland Rheinland-Pfalz Bundesland Saarland Bundesland Sachsen Bundesland Sachsen-Anhalt Bundesland Thüringen
Sweden	Whole territory

PART II

Member States or zones thereof with an approved eradication programme for BVD

Member State	Territory	Date of initial approval as referred to in Article 15(2) of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/689
Germany	Bundesland Bayern: The following cities and Landkreis in Regierungsbezirk Oberbayern: Dachau The following cities and Landkreis in Regierungsbezirk Niederbayern: Deggendorf, Lkr. Straubing-Bogen, Dingolfing-Landau The following cities and Landkreis in Regierungsbezirk Schwaben: Lkr. Augsburg, Günzburg, Ostallgäu Bundesland Berlin Bundesland Niedersachsen Bundesland Nordrhein-Westfalen Bundesland Schleswig-Holstein	21 February 2022
Ireland	Whole territory	18 July 2022 ⁷

(5) in Annex VIII, in Part 1, the entry for Germany is replaced by the following:

Member State	Territory
'Germany	Bundesland Baden-Württemberg Bundesland Bayern Bundesland Berlin Bundesland Brandenburg Bundesland Bremen Bundesland Hamburg Bundesland Hessen Bundesland Mecklenburg-Vorpommern Bundesland Niedersachsen Bundesland Nordrhein-Westfalen Bundesland Sachsen Bundesland Sachsen-Anhalt Bundesland Schleswig-Holstein Bundesland Thüringen'