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COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2026/1889

of 27 July 2026

amending Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 as regards the entries for the United States in the lists of third countries, territories, or zones thereof authorised for the entry into the Union of consignments of poultry and germinal products of poultry, and of fresh meat of poultry and game birds

(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 Article 230(1) and Article 232(1), point (b) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EU) 2016/429 provides that consignments of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin from third countries or territories are only to be allowed to enter into the Union if the third countries or territories concerned are listed in accordance with Article 230(1) of that Regulation.
- (2) Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692 ⁽²⁾ lays down the animal health requirements that consignments of certain species and categories of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin, from third countries, territories, or zones thereof, or compartments thereof in the case of aquaculture animals, must comply with in order to enter the Union.
- (3) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 ⁽³⁾ lays down the lists of third countries, territories, or zones thereof, from which the entry into the Union of the species and categories of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin, falling within the scope of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692, is permitted. Those lists and certain general rules concerning those lists are set out in Annexes I to XXII to that Implementing Regulation.
- (4) More particularly, Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 set out the lists of third countries, territories, or zones thereof, authorised for the entry into the Union, respectively, of consignments of poultry and germinal products of poultry, and of fresh meat of poultry and game birds.
- (5) On 16 July 2026, the United States has notified the Commission of a new outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in poultry in the state of Utah, which was confirmed on 13 July 2026 by laboratory analysis (RT-PCR).
- (6) Following that recent outbreak of HPAI, the veterinary authority of the United States notified the establishment of restricted zones of at least 10 km around the affected establishment and the implementation of a stamping-out policy to control the presence of HPAI and limit the spread of that disease.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 84, 31.3.2016, p. 1, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/429/oj>.

⁽²⁾ Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692 of 30 January 2020 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards rules for entry into the Union, and the movement and handling after entry of consignments of certain animals, germinal products and products of animal origin (OJ L 174, 3.6.2020, p. 379, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_del/2020/692/oj).

⁽³⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 of 24 March 2021 laying down the lists of third countries, territories or zones thereof from which the entry into the Union of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin is permitted in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 114, 31.3.2021, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2021/404/oj).

- (7) The United States has submitted further information to the Commission on the epidemiological situation on its territory and the measures that were taken to prevent the further spread of HPAI following that recent HPAI outbreak.
- (8) The information provided by the United States has been evaluated by the Commission. In view of the animal health situation in the area under restrictions established by the veterinary authority of the United States, it is appropriate to suspend the entry into the Union of consignments of poultry and germinal products of poultry, and of fresh meat of poultry and game birds from the area concerned by the new outbreak in that third country in order to protect the animal health status of the Union, taking into account the date when the outbreak was confirmed. Therefore, the entries for the United States in the tables set out in Section B of Part 1 and in Part 2 of Annex V, and the table set out in Section B of Part 1 of Annex XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 should be amended accordingly.
- (9) In addition, the United States have provided updated information to the Commission in relation to the epidemiological situation on their respective territories as regards earlier outbreaks of HPAI that gave rise to the suspension of the entry into the Union of consignments of poultry and germinal products of poultry, and of fresh meat of poultry and game birds, as set out in the table in Section B of Part 1 of Annex V, and in the table in Section B of Part 1 of Annex XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404.
- (10) In particular, on 17 July 2026, the United States submitted updated information on the animal health situation and the measures it had taken in relation to 17 outbreaks of HPAI in poultry in the states of Arkansas, Indiana, New Jersey and South Dakota which were confirmed between 15 November 2025 and 8 June 2026 by laboratory analysis (RT-PCR).
- (11) The United States have informed the Commission that, following those earlier outbreaks of HPAI, they had implemented a stamping out policy in order to control and limit the spread of that disease, and they had also completed the requisite cleaning and disinfection following the implementation of the stamping out policy in the infected poultry establishments.
- (12) The Commission has evaluated the information submitted by the United States in that regard and considers that they have provided appropriate guarantees that the animal health situation that had given rise to the suspension of the entry of consignments of poultry and germinal products of poultry, and of fresh meat of poultry and game birds into the Union from the affected zones, as set out in the table in Section B of Part 1 of Annex V, and in the table in Section B of Part 1 of Annex XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404, no longer represents a threat to animal or public health in the Union, and that, consequently, the entry into the Union of those consignments from the affected zones of the United States, from which entry into the Union had been suspended, should be re-authorised. Therefore, the entries for the United States in those tables in those Annexes should be amended accordingly.
- (13) Taking into account the new HPAI outbreak in the United States, the amendments to be made to Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 by this Regulation should take effect as a matter of urgency.
- (14) 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 V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 are amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 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, 27 July 2026.

For the Commission
The President
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

ANNEX

Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 are amended as follows:

(1) Annex V is amended as follows:

(a) in Part 1, Section B is amended as follows:

(i) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1118 is replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.1118	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		5.11.2025	5.7.2026'
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(ii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1121 is replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.1121	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		7.11.2025	5.7.2026'
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(iii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1145 is replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.1145	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		17.11.2025	5.7.2026'
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(iv) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1151 is replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.1151	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		17.11.2025	5.7.2026'
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(v) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1174 is replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.1174	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		28.11.2025	5.7.2026'
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(vi) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1183 is replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.1183	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		5.12.2025	3.7.2026'
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(vii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1188 is replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.1188	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		5.12.2025	5.7.2026'
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(viii) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zones US-2.1193 and US-2.1194 are replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.1193	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		8.12.2025	3.7.2026
	US-2.1194	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		8.12.2025	5.7.2026'

(ix) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1201 is replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.1201	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		23.12.2025	5.7.2026'
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(x) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1210 is replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.1210	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		23.12.2025	3.7.2026'
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(xi) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1301 is replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.1301	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		5.3.2026	13.6.2026'
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(xii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1348 is replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.1348	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		23.3.2026	5.7.2026'
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(xiii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1357 is replaced by the following:

US United States	US-2.1357	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		31.3.2026	16.7.2026'
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(xiv) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1366 is replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.1366	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		23.3.2026	5.7.2026'
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(xv) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1370 is replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.1370	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		10.4.2026	17.7.2026'
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(xvi) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1396 is replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.1396	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		8.6.2026	8.7.2026'
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(xvii) in the entry for the United States, the following row for the zone US-2.1401 is added after the row for the zone US-2.1400:

'US United States	US-2.1401	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		13.7.2026'	
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(b) in Part 2, in the entry for the United States, the following description of the zone US-2.1401 is added after the description of the zone US-2.1400:

'United States	US-2.1401	State of Utah Cache 06 Cache County: A circular zone of a 10 km radius starting with North point (GPS coordinates: 111.9104458°W 42.0174457°N)
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(2) in Annex XIV, in Part 1, Section B is amended as follows:

(a) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1118 is replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.1118	POU, RAT	N, P1		5.11.2025	5.7.2026
		GBM	P1		5.11.2025	5.7.2026'

(b) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1121 is replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.1121	POU, RAT	N, P1		7.11.2025	5.7.2026
		GBM	P1		7.11.2025	5.7.2026'

- (c) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1145 is replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.1145	POU, RAT	N, P1		17.11.2025	5.7.2026
		GBM	P1		17.11.2025	5.7.2026’

- (d) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1151 is replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.1151	POU, RAT	N, P1		17.11.2025	5.7.2026
		GBM	P1		17.11.2025	5.7.2026’

- (e) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1174 is replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.1174	POU, RAT	N, P1		28.11.2025	5.7.2026
		GBM	P1		28.11.2025	5.7.2026’

- (f) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1183 is replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.1183	POU, RAT	N, P1		5.12.2025	3.7.2026
		GBM	P1		5.12.2025	3.7.2026’

- (g) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1188 is replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.1188	POU, RAT	N, P1		5.12.2025	5.7.2026
		GBM	P1		5.12.2025	5.7.2026’

- (h) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zones US-2.1193 and US-2.1194 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.1193	POU, RAT	N, P1		8.12.2025	3.7.2026
		GBM	P1		8.12.2025	3.7.2026
	US-2.1194	POU, RAT	N, P1		8.12.2025	5.7.2026
		GBM	P1		8.12.2025	5.7.2026’

- (i) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1201 is replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.1201	POU, RAT	N, P1		23.12.2025	5.7.2026
		GBM	P1		23.12.2025	5.7.2026’

- (j) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1210 is replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.1210	POU, RAT	N, P1		23.12.2025	3.7.2026
		GBM	P1		23.12.2025	3.7.2026’

- (k) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1301 is replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.1301	POU, RAT	N, P1		5.3.2026	13.6.2026
		GBM	P1		5.3.2026	13.6.2026’

- (l) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1348 is replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.1348	POU, RAT	N, P1		23.3.2026	5.7.2026
		GBM	P1		23.3.2026	5.7.2026’

- (m) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1357 is replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.1357	POU, RAT	N, P1		31.3.2026	16.7.2026
		GBM	P1		31.3.2026	16.7.2026’

- (n) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1366 is replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.1366	POU, RAT	N, P1		23.3.2026	5.7.2026
		GBM	P1		23.3.2026	5.7.2026’

- (o) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1370 is replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.1370	POU, RAT	N, P1		10.4.2026	17.7.2026
		GBM	P1		10.4.2026	17.7.2026’

- (p) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.1396 is replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.1396	POU, RAT	N, P1		8.6.2026	8.7.2026
		GBM	P1		8.6.2026	8.7.2026’

- (q) in the entry for the United States, the following row for the zone US-2.1401 is added after the row for the zone US-2.1400:

US United States	US-2.1401	POU, RAT	N, P1		13.7.2026	
		GBM	P1		13.7.2026'	