

Resolution of the Government of the Russian Federation of 29 October 1992, No. 830
“On the State Veterinary Service of the Russian Federation for Protection of the Territory of
Russia from Importation of Transmissible Animal Diseases from Foreign States”

Seeking to keep under effective state veterinary surveillance the protection of the territory of the Russian Federation from importation of transmissible animal diseases from foreign states, the Government of the Russian Federation hereby resolves:

1. To appoint the Ministry of Agriculture and Food of the Russian Federation responsible for organising state veterinary control at state border check-points of the Russian Federation and protection of the Russian territory from importation of transmissible animal diseases from foreign states.
2. To approve the appended Regulations on the State Service of the Russian Federation for Protection of Russian Territory from Importation of Transmissible Animal Diseases from Foreign States.
3. Instruct the Ministry of Agriculture and Food, the Ministry of Security, the State Customs Committee of the Russian Federation, other federal executive authorities, Republican governments of the Russian Federation, executive authorities of territories, regions, autonomous regions, autonomous districts, the cities of Moscow and Saint Petersburg to devise and implement a comprehensive set of state measures to enforce the protection of the territory of the Russian Federation from importation of transmissible animal diseases from foreign states, and to ensure timely identification and localization of pathogen sources.
4. Instruct the Ministry of Security of the Russian Federation and the State Customs Committee of the Russian Federation to provide, to the extent of their competence, assistance to the State Veterinary Service of the Russian Federation in the protection of the Russian territory from importation of transmissible animal diseases from foreign states.

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Regulations on the State Service of the Russian Federation for Protection of Russian Territory
from Importation of Transmissible Animal Diseases from Foreign States

(approved by Resolution of the Government of the Russian Federation of 29 October 1992, No. 830)

1. The Ministry of Agriculture and Food of the Russian Federation hereby establishes a State Veterinary Service of the Russian Federation responsible for protection of Russian territory from importation of transmissible animal diseases from foreign states. The State Veterinary Service of the Russian Federation shall perform control at state border admission points to the Russian Federation and protect the territory of the Russian Federation from importation of transmissible animal diseases together with the imported animals, products, animal inputs, fodder and other cargoes (hereinafter, “controlled cargoes”), as listed in item 3 of these Regulations.
2. State veterinary control at state border admission points to the Russian Federation and protection of Russian territory from importation of transmissible diseases from foreign states is performed by:

The Chief Veterinary Department of the Ministry of Agriculture and Food of the Russian Federation (hereinafter the “Chief Veterinary Department”);

Area departments of state veterinary surveillance at state border of the Russian Federation and on transport (hereinafter “area departments”);

Crossborder veterinary checkpoints at sea and river ports (berths), at railway stations, at airports, in motor roads and at post offices;

The Republican Veterinary Expedition for High-Risk Disease Combat;

Veterinary research institutions and state veterinary laboratories in the Republics of the Russian Federation, territories, regions, autonomous districts.

The Chief Veterinary Department and other agencies listed in part one of this item form a single centralised service responsible for state veterinary surveillance for protection of the territory of the Russian Federation from importation of transmissible animal diseases from foreign states (hereinafter the “crossborder state veterinary surveillance”).

Heads and deputy heads of area departments and chief officers of crossborder control veterinary checkpoints combine such functions with being the state veterinary inspectors and deputy inspectors in their respective service areas.

Area departments and crossborder control veterinary checkpoints are formed, reorganised and liquidated by the Ministry of Agriculture and Food of the Russian Federation.

3. The following are subject to crossborder state veterinary surveillance irrespective of the transportation vehicle and shipment mode, including hand luggage:

- all species of animals (including birds, ground game, laboratory animals, zoo animals and house pets, sea animals, bees, fishes, other hydrobionts, embryos and animal sperm, milt);
- products of animal origin (meat and meat products, milk and dairies, fish, eggs, apiculture products);
- animal inputs (hides, wool, fur, down, feather, endocrinal and enteral inputs, blood, bones and other types of inputs);
- animal feed;
- veterinary preparations, biological materials and collectible items of animal origin.

4. Crossborder state veterinary surveillance is governed by the Constitution of the Russian Federation, Russian laws, resolutions and instructions of the Government of the Russian Federation, these Regulations and international agreements of the Russian Federation.

5. The main tasks of crossborder state veterinary control are as follows:

monitor compliance with veterinary rules in international shipments of controlled cargoes, control imports to and exports from the Russian Federation of pathogens of high-risk animal diseases, biological and chemi-pharmaceutical veterinary substances and tests of foreign-made veterinary preparations;

appoint checkpoints for admission to the Russian Federation of controlled cargoes in conjunction with central agencies of federal executive authorities, organise veterinary surveillance at such checkpoints;

develop national programs for protection from importation from foreign states and spread across the territory of the Russian Federation of transmissible animal diseases, monitor their local enforcement and implement protective veterinary measures in the border areas;

develop draft instructions, regulations, directives, rules and other regulatory documents concerning enforcement of veterinary control at state border checkpoints of admission to the Russian Federation and protection of Russian territory from importation of transmissible animal diseases from foreign states;

develop veterinary requirements in respect of procurement and importation from foreign states of all manner of animal cargoes, the terms of their shipment, processing and use inside the country;

participate in the development of uniform rules of sampling and laboratory tests of pathogens of high-risk diseases;

perform control of veterinary and sanitary state of motorcar transport, vessels, aircraft, carriage cars, containers, warehouses, quarantine bases, loading/unloading platforms and other constructions before loading and after unloading animal cargo, disinfection and washer facilities, as well as control collection and disposal of separations at international sea and river ports, at crossborder railway stations and motorways.

6. Crossborder state veterinary surveillance within its service area is entitled to:

examine controlled cargoes arrived from foreign states or shipping out, and make a decision regarding the possibility and conditions of their further shipment;

free access to the premises of sea and river ports (berths), airports, railway stations, post offices, quarantine bases, loading/unloading platforms, other premises (functions), different enterprises and organisations irrespective of their jurisdiction (referral) and structural and legal organisation, individuals, and to enterprises engaging in procurement, storage, processing and export and import shipments of controlled cargoes;

obtain from customs administration, administrations of sea and river ports (berths), airports, railway stations and other enterprises and organisations all necessary information concerning arriving, stored or shipping out animal cargoes and related documentation;

detain controlled cargoes imported to the territory of the Russian Federation without authorisation of the Chief Veterinary Department and corresponding veterinary certificates, suspend or prohibit unloading, loading and transit of such cargoes in the event of non-compliant delivery;

issue mandatory orders for identified violations of veterinary rules in the shipment of controlled cargoes to be removed, issue decisions on the procedure for distribution or disposal of confiscated controlled cargoes;

collect samples of animal products for examination and conduct further laboratory tests.

7. The Chief Veterinary Department issues permits for import to, export from and transit through the territory of the Russian Federation of controlled animal cargoes.

8. Crossborder control veterinary checkpoints issue veterinary approvals and certificates, execute other documents for import to, export from or transit through the territory of the Russian Federation of controlled animal cargoes.

9. Regulations, rules and instructions of the Ministry of Agriculture and Food of the Russian Federation and orders issued by agencies of crossborder state veterinary surveillance regarding issues of protection of the territory of the Russian Federation from importation of transmissible animal diseases from foreign states are mandatory for all institutions, enterprises, associations, organisations,

firms, irrespective of their jurisdiction and structural and legal organisation, citizens of the Russian Federation, foreign citizens and stateless persons, owners of cargoes and vehicles entering and exiting the territory of the Russian Federation.

10. Crossborder state veterinary surveillance carries out its tasks and functions to the extent of its competence in conjunction with the Ministry of Security of the Russian Federation, the State Customs Committee of the Russian Federation, the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Russian Federation, State Committee of Sanitary and Epidemiological Surveillance of the Russian Federation, the Ministry of Transport of the Russian Federation, Ministry of Communications of the Russian Federation, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation, the Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation, the Railway Ministry of the Russian Federation, and other central agencies of federal executive authorities and Republican authorities of the Russian Federation, authorities of territories, regions, autonomous regions, autonomous districts, the cities of Moscow and Saint Petersburg, and local administrations.

11. Officers of area departments and crossborder control veterinary checkpoints must wear uniforms when on duty. The style of the uniform is subject to approval by the Ministry of Agriculture and Food of the Russian Federation upon agreement with the Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation.

12. Area departments and crossborder control veterinary checkpoints are financed with funds of the republican budget of the Russian Federation and own revenues generated from provision of fee-paying services from the list approved by the Ministry of Agriculture and Food of the Russian Federation upon agreement with the Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation.

13. Area departments and crossborder control veterinary checkpoints carry seals with an image of the State Coat of Arms of the Russian Federation and special stamps.

14. Instructions and other regulatory acts concerning crossborder state veterinary surveillance operations are issued by the Ministry of Agriculture and Food of the Russian Federation.

15. Crossborder state veterinary surveillance is logistically accommodated in accordance with the procedure established by the Ministry of Agriculture and Food of the Russian Federation.