

RULES
OF ISSUE OF VETERINARY DOCUMENTS
FOR FREIGHT SUBJECT TO COMPULSORY
VETERINARY CONTROL

Under current legislation transportation of animals of all kinds, products and raw of animal origin, fodder, fodder additions, bio-preparations, veterinary medical means, microbe shtams, viruses, fungus, toxins etc., shall be subject to compulsory veterinary control. Transportation mentioned above (export, import, transit, other economy transportation, including driving over of animals) shall be allowed only if relevant veterinary documents (certificates or reference) to certify that this freight and regions (economies) of destination are safe in terms of contagious animal diseases.

When issuing veterinary documents for freight the following rules shall be observed:

1. Veterinary certificates (forms No.1 and form No.2) shall be issued in compliance with uniform samples (annexes 1 and 2) that have a format 70x108 1/16, veterinary references - under recommended sample (annex 3) veterinary certificates (annexes 4 and 5) - of a form and contents which meet veterinary and sanitary requirements of the importing country.

A veterinary certificate No.1 shall accompany animals (including industrial, zoo and circus, poultry, bees, fish, eyed eggs, crawfish for rearing or acclimatization) transported a driven over from other economies and also eggs of poultry for incubation, male sperm, zygote and embryo of animals, etc. (annex 6).

A veterinary certificate No.2 shall accompany transported (exported) products and raw of animal origin (annex 7).

Veterinary certificates shall be valid in the territory of the whole country. When exporting cargo under supervision of the state service on veterinary medicine to other countries veterinary certificates at the relevant border crossing points of the state veterinary control shall be replaced for another veterinary certificate.

A veterinary reference shall accompany the driven over or transported animals, transported produce or raw of animal origin within the administrative region. The veterinary reference shall not serve as a document that gives the right to export (drive over) animals and allow products and raw of animal origin to go beyond the administrative region.

2. The right of issuing veterinary certificates shall be granted to the heads (chiefs, managers) or chief (leading) doctors of veterinary medicine of state veterinary medicine organizations such as:

--regional enterprises (hospitals) of state veterinary medicine, district hospitals of veterinary medicine, district veterinary medicine stations;

--city enterprises (hospitals) of state veterinary medicine, city regional hospitals of veterinary medicine;

--border and transport points of state veterinary control (instead of foreign veterinary certificate).

--Organizational structures of regional services of state veterinary control at border and transport point shall have the right to issue veterinary certificates.

Crimean republican, the oblast, Kyiv and Sevastopol municipal administrations of state veterinary medicine shall be allowed to grant in person veterinary certificates with two signatures for withdrawal of animals and products of enterprises to chief doctor of veterinary medicine of pedigree farms, poultry farms, stud-farms, hippodromes and other enterprises.

As an exception, the Crimean republican, the oblast, Kyiv and Sevastopol municipal administrations of state veterinary medicine shall grant, on initiative of chief doctors of state veterinary medicine of regions, the right to issue veterinary certificates to doctor's assistants, that have a secondary special education and perform duties of a manager of district hospitals or manager of district points of veterinary medicine.

The permit beyond the oblasts' limits shall be accorded with the oblast department of veterinary medicine. Beyond the country frontiers - an accord between the Chief Department of Veterinary Medicine and the state veterinary inspection shall be compulsory.

The right to issue veterinary references shall be granted to doctors of veterinary medicine and doctor's assistants of veterinary medicine to organizations and institutions of state veterinary medicine, collective agricultural enterprises, state farms and other economies and enterprises.

3. Veterinary certificates for preparation for the transfer shall be valid: animals and food animal produce - within 3 days, raw of animal origin - within 5 days from the date of their issuance. Xerox copies and blank veterinary certificates of the former Soviet Union shall be considered void.

4. If animal foot-and-mouth disease or other disease occurs which is enlisted in the list of diseases "A" MES (Ministry of Ecological Safety) or in the list determined by the Chief department of veterinary medicine with state veterinary inspection, veterinary certificates for the transfer (driving over) of animals, products and raw of animal origin from one region to another in the same oblast (Republic of Crimea) shall be granted to the chief doctors of veterinary medicine upon permission of the veterinary body of the relevant oblast or Republic of Crimea. Veterinary certificates for inter-oblast (interstate) transfer in the above cases shall be granted upon permission of the Chief Department of Veterinary Medicine with the state veterinary inspection. Under these conditions the veterinary certificate shall record data on who and when has granted a permit for the transfer that is certified by the signature and a round seal of the local body of state veterinary medicine.

5. When driving out (withdrawing) pedigree cattle and poultry from the economy for sale in other economies and enterprises, and animals, products and raw of animal origin for export, the veterinary certificates shall be signed by the doctor of veterinary medicine of this economy or enterprise., after the ordinal number has been agreed upon with the chief doctor of veterinary medicine of the regional enterprises (hospital) of the state veterinary medicine,

6. The veterinary specialists authorized to issue veterinary certificates shall be registered by the chief doctor of veterinary medicine of the region, with relevant entry being made in a special record, which shall indicate the name, middle and last name of the specialist, his office, year of graduation from the institute or college, number of his diploma and a sample of his signature.

7. The chief doctors of veterinary medicine of regions (cities) shall send the lists of authorized veterinary specialists with the samples of signatures of each who has been granted the right to issue veterinary certificates, to border-crossing and transport points of the state veterinary control of the relevant zone.

Further modifications in the lists shall be notified as they arise.

8. Veterinary certificates and references shall be typed on a typing machine, written with a fountain pen or in ink clearly and distinctly, with obligatory indication of the name of Ukrainian border-crossing (customs) point and country receiving the cargo. A full name of the office, last name and first letters of the specialists who has issued the veterinary certificate shall be indicated in the document and the seal stamped .

Veterinary certificate, its duplicate and counterfoil shall be allowed to be typed on a typing machine, written with a fountain pen with the use of carbon paper, each of the filled out forms of the certificate, duplicate and counterfoil signed separately.

Veterinary certificates written in ink of a different color or with a different handwriting (except signature) those which have corrections, do not contain the signature or a seal, when data is incomplete, or without date of their issue, shall be deemed void.

9. Veterinary certificates (forms 1 and 2) shall be written in three copies: certificate, duplicate and counterfoil of the certificate, when transporting animals (a number of heads to be written in words), products and raw of animal origin by rail, water and air freight.

The certificate shall serve as the main document by which animals, products and raw of animal origin shall be accepted for transportation . The veterinary certificate shall be attached to other freight documents, and further in the destination point shall be forwarded to the receiver.

When using rail, water or aviation transport the duplicates of certificates shall be given to the senior conductor accompanying animals (form No.1) or put together with

cargo in the car, hold etc. (form No.2), then of the destination on point the form shall be handed to the transport or state veterinary control at border.

When transporting animals , products and raw of animal origin by motor vehicles or when driving animals, duplicate of certificate shall not be filled out. The veterinary certificate shall be given to the consignor (conductor or driver) for presentation as required during transportation and for the transfer to the receiver in the destination point.

10. When a number of animals, products or raw of animal origin presented for freight do not correspond to that stated in the veterinary certificate, they shall not be accepted for dispatch.

11. A person who has obtained a veterinary certificate and a duplicate form No.1 or form No.2 shall put his/her signature upon their receipt on the counterfoil of certificate which remains in the papers of institutions (organization, enterprise) that have issued that certificate.

12. Veterinary certificates and references shall be caused with seal of the regional enterprise (hospital) of state veterinary medicine, municipal enterprises (hospitals) of state veterinary medicine, district hospitals of veterinary medicine and offices of veterinary medicine.

Veterinary certificates and references caused with a seal by collective agricultural enterprises, state farms and other organizations, and personal seals of veterinary doctors - shall not be valid.

13. The blank veterinary certificates shall be printed in the established order and numbered in ordinal numbers by printing method upon request of relevant bodies of state veterinary medicine.

The blank veterinary certificates, as well as filled out counterfoils shall be retained as documents of serious recording. Filled out counterfoil of certificates shall be retained for two years.

14. Supervision over observance of procedure on the issue of veterinary certificates and references shall be vested on the chief state inspectors of veterinary medicine of the Republic of Crimea, oblasts and cities of Kyiv and Sevastopol, their deputies, chief state inspectors of veterinary medicine of regions (cities), chief state inspectors of regional services of state veterinary control on border and transport, and the state inspectors of veterinary medicine of other veterinary bodies.

If it is revealed that veterinary certificates and references have been issued with violation of rules of their issuance and registration, official of the state veterinary medicine body, who has revealed violation, shall withdraw this document from the bearer, with appropriate statement being drawn up, which he shall, together with the document withdrawn, send to the oblast or Crimean republican or municipal (cities of

Kyiv or Sevastopol) department of the state veterinary medicine (in the location of document issuance) to make guilty people answerable.

15. Veterinary specialists who have allowed violation of veterinary legislation when issuing veterinary certificates or references shall be made answerable for disciplinary violation if their deeds were not related to criminal violation.