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IMPORTS INTO SPAIN OF ANIMALS WHOSE IMPORTATION IS HARMONISED BY EU LEGISLATION

1. Border Control Posts

The import of live animals can only take place through ports/airports authorised as Border Control Post. A list of authorised Border Control Posts (BCP) can be checked in the following link:

<https://www.mapa.gob.es/es/ganaderia/temas/comercio-exterior-ganadero/import/>

There are three categories of authorisations:

U: Ungulates (except registered equidae)

E: Registered equidae

OR: Other animals (includes exotic ungulates).

ES ALG 1 – Animal Health	PUERTO	PCF/BCP: - POA-NHC (2) - LA-U, E, O (1) - PNAO-NHC-FEED (2) PE PEV	(1) No animales vivos para consumo humano directo. No live animals destined to direct human consumption.
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2. Authorised country of origin

The import of live animals is only authorised if the animals come from countries authorised to export this category of animals to the EU.

3. Authorised establishment of origin

Moreover, when introducing captive birds, they should come from authorised establishments by the EU. You can check the list of authorised establishments in the following link:

https://food.ec.europa.eu/animals/live-animal-movements/captive-birds_en

4. Prior notification of the arrival of the animals

The importer, directly or through his customs representative, must notify the arrival of the animals in advance to the Animal Health Service responsible for the Border Control Post. To do this, Part I of the Common Health Entry Document (CHED) must be submitted through TRACES NT application:

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/tracesnt/login>

This prior notification must be made at least one working day prior to the arrival of the animals, except when the animals are transported by ferry and the period of time

between the loading of the animals in the country of origin and their arrival at the BCP is 24 hours or less.

5. **Registration in REGA or as zoological nucleus**

The holding or establishment of destination shall be authorised either as Register of Livestock Holdings (REGA) or as zoological nucleus, depending on the species.

6. **Health Certificate of Origin**

All consignments of live animals to be imported must be accompanied by a Health Certificate of Origin according to the specific model to the category of animal concerned.

These certificates must be signed and stamped by an official veterinarian of the country of origin. In some cases, these certificates might be presented in electronic form if they have been issued through Traces NT and the country of origin has a recognized electronic seal in that system.

7. **Other documentation**

Along with the Health Certificate of Origin, the documentation to accompany will vary depending on the characteristics of the animal to be imported, including, but not limited to:

- Fee for veterinary checks (model 051), which can be paid electronically at the following link:

<https://sede.mapa.gob.es/portal/site/seMAPA/navProcedimientoPagoTasas>

- Commercial invoice of the shipment.
- Bill of lading (bill of lading or airway bill)

The specific requirements by animal species are shown below:

A. CATTLE, SHEEP, GOATS AND PIGS

These animals shall come from approved countries and shall be imported under a health certificate signed by the competent authorities of the country of origin, in accordance with the appropriate model set out in Annex II to Regulation (EU) 2021/403.

The holding of destination shall be entered in the Register of Livestock Holdings (REGA), where the animals shall remain for at least 30 days after importation, unless they are sent directly to a slaughterhouse.

	Model of certificate	List of countries
Bovines	BOV-X, BOV-Y	Annex II to Regulation (EU) 2021/404
Ovine/Caprine	OV/CAP-X, OV/CAP-Y	
Porcine	SUI-X, SUI-Y	

B. EQUIDAE

These animals shall come from approved countries and shall be imported under a health certificate signed by the competent authorities of the country of origin, in accordance with the appropriate model, depending on the type of entry into the EU. The model certificates are set out in Annex II to Regulation (EU) 2021/403.

	Model of certificate	List of countries
Entry	EQUI-X, EQUI-Y	Annex IV to Regulation (EU) 2021/404
Transit	EQUI-TRANSIT- X EQUI-TRANSIT- AND	
Re-entry	EQUI-RE-ENTRY-30 EQUI-RE-ENTRY-90-COMP EQUI- RE-ENTRY-90-RACE	

C. DOGS, CATS AND FERRETS (COMMERCIAL MOVEMENTS)

When these animals are imported for a commercial purpose or cannot be considered as pet animals as defined in Regulation (EU) 576/2013, they shall come from authorised countries and shall be imported under a health certificate signed by the competent authorities of the country of origin, in accordance with the model set out in Annex II to Regulation (EU) 2021/403.

	Model of certificate	List of countries
Dogs, cats and ferrets	CANIS-FELIS-FERRETS	Annex VIII to Regulation (EU) 2021/404

If you are travelling with your dog, cat or ferret as pet, you can check the entry requirements in the following link:

<https://www.mapa.gob.es/es/ganaderia/temas/comercio-exterior-ganadero/desplazamiento-animales-compania/Viajar-perros-gatos-hurones.aspx>

D. BEES AND BUMBLE BEES

These animals shall come from approved countries and shall be imported under a health certificate signed by the competent authorities of the country of origin. The model certificates are set out in Annex II to Regulation (EU) 2021/403.

	Model of certificate	List of countries
Honey bees queen	QUE	Annex VII to Regulation (EU) 2021/404
Bumblebees	BBEE	

Following their entry into the Union, queen honeybees must not be introduced in local colonies unless they are transferred from the transport cage to new cages, under the direct supervision of the competent authority.

The transport cages, attendants, and other material that accompanied the queen honeybees from the third country of origin must be submitted to an official laboratory for examination to rule out the presence of *Aethina Tumida*, and any signs of the *Tropilaelaps* mite.

Tras su entrada, las abejas melíferas reina deben transferirse a jaulas nuevas bajo supervisión directa de la autoridad competente. Las jaulas, el séquito y otro material que acompaña a las abejas melíferas reina deberá presentarse a examen en un laboratorio oficial para descartar la presencia de *Aethina tumida* y *Tropilaelaps*.

E. AQUACULTURE ANIMALS: FISH, CRUSTACEANS AND MOLLUSCS

Aquatic animals intended for **breeding, restocking or growing or fattening** shall come from authorised third countries, territories, zones or compartments and shall be accompanied by a health certificate signed by the competent authorities of the country of origin, in accordance with the model laid down in Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/2236.

Aquatic animals intended for **closed ornamental facilities**, of the listed species (list of diseases in Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1882), must come from authorised third countries or territories listed. Species not included in the list may come from the same countries as the previous case or from countries that are members of the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) and periodically submit information on their health status of the category “aquatic animals”. The model certificate to accompany these animals is laid down in Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/2236.

	Model of certificate	List of countries
Breeding, restocking, growth, fattening	AQUA-ENTRYESTAB/ RELEASE/OTHER	Annex XXI to Regulation (EU) 2021/404
Closed ornamental facilities — listed species		
—unlisted species		Annex XXI to Regulation (EU) 2021/404 or OIE countries (https://wahis.oie.int/#/home)

F. POULTRY AND CAPTIVE BIRDS.

1. Poultry: they shall come from authorised countries and shall be imported covered by a health certificate signed by the competent authorities of the country of origin, in accordance with the appropriate model set out in Annex II to Regulation (EU) 2021/403.

The holding of destination shall be entered in the Register of Livestock Holdings (REGA), where the animals shall be kept in isolation for at least 6 weeks after entry.

	Model of certificate	List of countries
Breeding and productive poultry	BPP BPR (ratites)	Annex V to Regulation (EU) 2021/404
Day-old chicks	DOC DOR (ratites)	
Hatching eggs	HEP HER (ratites)	
SPF eggs	SPF	
Poultry intended for slaughter	SP SR (ratites)	

2. Captive birds: any birds other than poultry, including birds intended for samples, races, exhibitions, competitions, reproduction or sale. They must come from approved establishments included in a list published by the Commission. They should also come from approved countries and be imported under a health certificate signed by the competent authorities of the country of origin, in accordance with the model set out in Annex II to Regulation (EU) 2021/403.

Upon entry into the Union, they shall be transported directly to an approved quarantine establishment.

	Model of certificate	List of countries
Captive birds	CAPTIVE-BIRDS	Annex VI to Regulation (EU) 2021/404
Racing pigeons	RACING PIGEONS- IMMEDIATE RELEASE	Third country authorised by the Member State where the racing pigeons are to be released