ANNEX III

PART 1

Model animal health certificate for non-commercial movements of pet dogs, pet cats or pet ferrets into a Member State from a third country or territory, referred to in Article 18(1) of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2026/131

COUNTRY:		Animal health certificate to the EU	
Part I : Details of dispatched consignment	I.1. Consignor Name Address Tel.	I.2. Certificate reference No	I.2.a.
		I.3. Central competent authority	
		I.4. Local competent authority	
	I.5. Consignee Name Address Postal code Tel.	I.6. Person responsible for the consignment in the EU	
	I.7. Country of origin ISO code I.8. Region of origin Code	I.9. Country of destination ISO code	I.10. Region of destination Code
	I.11. Place of origin	I.12. Place of destination	
	I.13. Place of loading	I.14. Date of departure	
	I.15. Means of transport	I.16. Entry BCP in EU	
		I.17. No.(s) of CITES	
	I.18. Description of commodity	I.19. Commodity code (HS code) **010619**	
		I.20. Quantity	
	I.21. Temperature of products	I.22. Total number of packages	
	I.23. Seal/Container No	I.24. Type of packaging	
	I.25. Commodities certified for: Pets ☐		
	I.26. For transit to 3rd Country	I.27. For import or admission into EU	
	I.28. Identification of the commodities Species (Scientific name) Sex Colour Breed Identification number Identification system and location Date of birth [dd/mm/yyyy]		

COUNTRY:		Animal health certificate to the EU
II. Health information	II.a. Certificate reference No	II.b.

Part II: Certification

I, the undersigned official veterinarian ([1])/veterinarian authorised by the competent authority ([1]) of _____ (*insert name of territory or third country*) certify that:

([1]) *either* [II.1. the animals described in Box I.28 are moved in a number of five or less;]

([1]) *or* [II.1. the animals described in Box I.28 are moved in a number of more than five, are more than six months old and are going to participate in competitions, exhibitions or sporting events or in training for those events, and the owner or the natural person has provided evidence ([2]) that the animals are registered

([1]) *either* [to attend such event;]

([1]) *or* [with an association organising such events;]

[II.2. the animals described in Box I.28 show no disease symptoms and are fit for the non-commercial movement on _____*(insert date dd/mm/yyyy);*]

[II.3. the animals described in Box I.28 were at least 12 weeks old at the time of vaccination against rabies and at least 21 days have elapsed since the completion of the primary anti-rabies vaccination ([3]) carried out in accordance with the validity requirements set out in Part I of Annex VII to Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/688 and any subsequent revaccination was carried out within the period of validity of the preceding vaccination ([4]); and:

([1]) *either* [II.3.1. the animals described in Box I.28 come from a third country or a territory listed in Annex II to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2026/636, either 1) directly, or 2) through a third country or territory listed in that Annex or 3) through a third country or territory other than those listed in that Annex in accordance with Article 17(2) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2026/131([5]), and the details of the relevant anti-rabies vaccination(s) are provided in the table below;]

([1]) *or* [II.3.1. the animals described in Box I.28 come from, or are scheduled to transit through, a third country or territory other than those listed in Annex I or Annex II to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2026/636 and a rabies antibody titration test ([6]), carried out on a blood sample taken by the veterinarian authorised by the competent authority, on the date indicated in the table below at least 30 days after the date of the primary vaccination, or within a current valid vaccination series, and not less than 90 days prior to the date of issue of this animal health certificate, proved an antibody titre equal to or greater than 0,5 IU/ml ([7]) and any subsequent revaccination was carried out within the period of validity of the preceding vaccination ([4]), and the details of the relevant anti-rabies vaccination(s) and the date of sampling for testing the immune response are provided in the table below:

Transponder or tattoo		Date of vaccination [dd/mm/yyyy]	Name and manufacturer of vaccine	Batch number	Validity of vaccination		Date of the blood sampling [dd/mm/yyyy]
Alphanumeric code of the animal	Date of implantation and/or reading[(8)] [dd/mm/yyyy]				From [dd/mm/yyyy]	to [dd/mm/yyyy]	

([1]) *either* [II.4. the dogs described in Box I.28 are destined for a Member State or zone thereof with disease free status from *Echinococcus multilocularis* ([9]) and have been treated against *Echinococcus multilocularis,* and the details of the treatment carried out by the administering veterinarian in accordance with Annex XXI to Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692 are provided in the table below ([10])([11]).]

([1]) *or* [II.4. the dogs described in Box I.28 have not been treated against *Echinococcus multilocularis* ([12]).]

Transponder or tattoo number of the dog	Anti-echinococcus treatment		Administering veterinarian
	Name and manufacturer of the product	Date [dd/mm/yyyy] and time of treatment [00:00]	Name in capitals, stamp and signature

([1]) *either* [II.5. the owner has declared ([13]) that the movement of the pet animals is a non-commercial movement.]

([1]) *or* [II.5. the owner has authorised the non-commercial movement of the pet animal in a signed declaration ([14]) and provided evidence ([2]) of his/her/their movement and the owner/authorised person has declared ([13]) that the movement of the pet animal is a non-commercial movement.]]

Notes

(a) This animal health certificate is meant for pet dogs (*Canis lupus familiaris*), pet cats (*Felis silvestris catus*) and pet ferrets (*Mustela putorius furo*).

(b) This animal health certificate is valid for 10 days from the date of issue by the official veterinarian or in the case of the authorised veterinarian, the date of endorsement by the competent authority until the date of the documentary and identity checks at the designated travellers' point of entry into the Union.

In the case of transport by sea, that period of 10 days is extended by an additional period corresponding to the duration of the journey by sea.

For the purpose of further movement into other Member States, this animal health certificate is valid for a total period of six months from the date of the documentary and identity checks carried out at the travellers' point of entry into the Union or until the date of expiry of the validity of the anti-rabies vaccination, whichever date is earlier.

Part I:

Box I.5: Consignee: Indicate Member State of first destination.

Box I.28: Identification system: Select one of the following: transponder or tattoo.

Identification number: Indicate the transponder or tattoo alphanumeric code.

Date of birth: As stated by the owner.

Part II:

([1]) Keep as appropriate.

([2]) The evidence referred to in point II.1 (e.g. receipt of entry to the event, proof of membership) and II.5 (e.g. boarding pass, flight ticket) shall be surrendered on request by the competent authorities responsible for the checks referred to in point (b) of the Notes.

	([3])	Any revaccination must be considered a primary vaccination if it was not carried out within the period of validity of a previous vaccination
	([4])	A certified copy of the identification and vaccination details of the animals concerned shall be attached to the animal health certificate.
	([5])	The third option is subject to the condition that the owner or the natural person who has authorisation in writing from the owner to carry out the non-commercial movement of the animals on behalf of the owner, provides on request by the competent authorities responsible for the checks referred to in Notes, point (b), a declaration stating that the animals have had no contact with animals of species susceptible of rabies and remain secure within the means of transport or the perimeter of an international airport during the transit through a territory or a third country other than those listed in the Annexes to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2026/636. This declaration shall comply with the format, layout and language requirements set out in Parts 5 and 6 of Annex V to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2026/705.
	([6])	The rabies antibody titration test referred to in point II.3.1: - must be carried out without undue delay on a sample collected by an official veterinarian or an authorised veterinarian, at least 30 days after the date of the primary vaccination, or within a current valid vaccination series, and not less than 90 days prior to the date of issue of this animal health certificate; - must measure a level of neutralising antibody to rabies virus in serum equal to or greater than 0.5 IU/ml; - must be performed by an official laboratory designated in accordance with Article 37 of Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council or a laboratory in a third country or territory listed in Annex VIII to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 designated in accordance with Article 37(4) and (5) of Regulation (EU) 2017/625 for the performance of the rabies antibody titration test as provided in point 1 of Annex XXI to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692; - does not have to be renewed on an animal, which following that test with satisfactory results, has been revaccinated against rabies within the period of validity of a previous vaccination. A certified copy of the official report from the designated laboratory on the results of the rabies antibody test referred to in point II.3.1 shall be attached to the animal health certificate.
	([7])	By certifying this result, the official veterinarian confirms that he has verified, to the best of his ability and where necessary with contacts with the laboratory indicated in the report, the authenticity of the laboratory report on the results of the antibody titration test referred to in point II.3.1.
	([8])	In conjunction with note (4), the marking of the animals concerned by the implantation of a transponder or by a clearly readable tattoo applied before 3 July 2011 must be verified before any entry is made in this animal health certificate and must always precede any vaccination, or where applicable, testing carried out on those animals.
	([9])	Member States or zones thereof listed in Annex XIX to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/620.
	([10])	The table referred to in point II.4 must be used to document the details of a further treatment if administered after the date the animal health certificate was signed and prior to the scheduled entry into a Member State or zone thereof with disease free status from *Echinococcus multilocularis*.
	([11])	The table referred to in point II.4 must be used to document the details of treatments if administered after the date the animal health certificate was signed for the purpose of further movement into other Member States described in point (b) of the Notes and in conjunction with note (12).
	([12])	The treatment against *Echinococcus multilocularis* referred to in point II.4 must: - be administered by a veterinarian within a period of not more than 120 hours and not less than 24 hours before the time of the scheduled entry of the dogs into a Member State or zone thereof with disease free status from *Echinococcus multilocularis*; - consist of an approved medicinal product which contains the appropriate dose of praziquantel or pharmacologically active substances, which alone or in combination, have been proven to reduce the burden of mature and immature intestinal forms of *Echinococcus multilocularis* in the host species concerned.

	([13]) The declaration referred to in point II.5 shall be attached to this animal health certificate and comply with the model and additional requirements set out in Parts 2 and 6 of Annex V to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2026/705. ([14]) The declaration referred to in point II.5 shall be attached to this animal health certificate and comply with the model and additional requirements set out in Parts 1 and 6 of Annex V to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2026/705.

Official veterinarian/Authorised veterinarian	
Name (in capital letters):	Qualification and title:
Address:	
Telephone:	
Date:	
Signature:	Stamp:
Endorsement by the competent authority (not necessary when the animal health certificate is signed by an official veterinarian)	
Name (in capital letters):	Qualification and title:
Address:	
Telephone:	
Date:	
Signature:	Stamp:
Official at the travellers' point of entry	
Name of the official or of the relevant public authority (in capital letters):	
Address:	
Telephone:	
E-mail address:	
Date of completion of the documentary and identity checks:	
Signature:	Stamp:

PART 2

Explanatory notes for completing the model animal health certificate referred to in Article 18(1) of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2026/131

1. Where the animal health certificate states that certain statements shall be kept as appropriate, statements which are not relevant may be crossed out and initialled and stamped by the official veterinarian or completely deleted from the animal health certificate.
2. The original of each animal health certificate shall consist of a single sheet of paper, or, where more text is required, it shall be in such a form that all sheets of paper required are part of an integrated whole and indivisible.
3. The animal health certificate shall be drawn up in at least one of the official languages of the Member State of entry and in English. It shall be completed in block letters.
4. If additional sheets of paper or supporting documents are attached to the animal health certificate, those sheets of paper or documents shall also be considered as forming part of the original of the animal health certificate by the application of the signature and stamp of the official veterinarian, on each of the pages.
5. When the animal health certificate, including additional sheets of paper referred to in point 4, comprises more than one page, each page shall be numbered (page number of total number of pages) at the end of the page and shall bear at the top of each page the animal health certificate reference number that has been assigned by the competent authority.
6. The original of the animal health certificate shall be issued by an official veterinarian of the third country or territory of dispatch or by an authorised veterinarian and subsequently endorsed by the competent authority of the third country or territory of dispatch. The competent authority of the third country or territory of dispatch shall ensure that rules and principles of certification equivalent to those laid down in Regulation (EU) 2017/625 are followed.
7. The colour of the signature shall be different from that of the printing. This requirement also applies to stamps other than those embossed or watermarked.
8. The animal health certificate reference number referred to in boxes I.2 and II.a shall be issued by the competent authority of the third country or territory of dispatch.

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