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Food Safety Agency**

**Veterinary Requirements
to Importing fur-bearing animals, rabbits, dogs and cats to the
Azerbaijan Republic**

It is allowed to import to Azerbaijan Republic clinically healthy fur-bearing animals, rabbits, dogs and cats from farms and administrative territories, free from the following infectious animal diseases:

- a) for all animal species:
 - African swine fever – during the last 3 years in the country's territory;
 - FMD, of all types of viral encephalomyelitis – during the last 12 months in the country's territory;
- b) for foxes, arctic foxes, dogs and cats:
 - Aujeszky's disease, rabies, tuberculosis, tularemia, dermatophytosis (trichophytosis, microsporia)-during the last 12 months on the premises;
- c) for mink and ferrets:
 - Bovine spongiform encephalopathy and Ovine scrapie - in the country, in accordance with the requirements of the OIE's "Terrestrial Animal Health Code";
 - viral haemorrhagic disease of rabbits, tularemia - during the last 12 months in the farm;
 - mink encephalopathy - during the last 3 years in the farm;
 - Aleutian disease, rabies, tuberculosis, tularemia - during the last 12 months in the holding;
- d) for rabbits:
 - viral hemorrhagic disease, myxomatosis, tularemia, pasteurellosis, listeriosis - during the last 12 months in the farm.

Animals selected for export should not be fed with feeding-stuff containing raw materials, generated by using of genetic engineering methods or other genetically modified sources.

Animals selected for shipment to the Republic of Azerbaijan are kept at special quarantine points for not less than 21 days under the supervision of the state veterinary service of the exporting country.

General clinical examination is carried out during the quarantine. Within the period, official veterinarians carry out diagnostic tests in the state veterinary laboratory using methods adopted in the exporting country. Animals are subjected to the following veterinary treatments and studies:

- foxes, arctic foxes, minks and dogs - for toxoplasmosis;

- minks - for the Aleutian disease;
- cats - for dermatophytosis.

Not later than 14 days before dispatch, the animals are vaccinated if they have not been vaccinated during the last 6 months:

- foxes, arctic fox - against the plague of carnivorous, salmonellosis and colibacteriosis;
- minks and ferrets - against botulism, Carre's disease, pseudomonas, viral enteritis;
- nutria - against pasteurellosis;
- dogs - against rabies, Carre's disease, hepatitis, viral enteritis, parvo- and adenoviral infections, leptospirosis;
- cats - against rabies and panleukopenia;

Means of transportation are treated (disinfected, cleaned) and prepared according to the usual regulations of the exporting country.

Fulfillment of conditions, indicated in the present requirements should be thoroughly approved by the veterinary certificate, signed by the state veterinarian of the exporting country and drawn up in the language of the exporting country and in English with indicating the date of diagnostic studies and inoculations.

Shipment of meat and meat products to the Azerbaijan Republic is possible only after the obtaining a permission by the importer from the Food Safety Agency of the Azerbaijan Republic.

After delivery to the territory of the Republic of Azerbaijan and passing the state border veterinary checkpoint, animals are placed in quarantine for a period of 30 days in specially prepared premises and during this period necessary diagnostic tests are conducted under the control of the state veterinary service. In accordance with the plan of anti-epizootic measures for specific region, preventive immunizations are conducted.