



## REPUBLIC OF CROATIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES VETERINARY AND FOOD SAFETY DIRECTORATE GENERAL

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**CVOs of all Member States** 

SUBJECT: New FMD National measures in Croatia, in force as of May 08th 2025

Dear colleagues,

We would like to inform you that, as of May 08<sup>th</sup>, 2025 a new *Order on measures for the prevention* and early detection of foot-and-mouth disease and pest of small ruminants in the Republic of Croatia, introduced to mitigate the risk of FMD introduction will come into force.

In accordance with the requirements of the above-mentioned Order, the ban on the movement of live animals susceptible to foot-and-mouth disease (hereinafter: susceptible animals) originating from Hungary and Slovakia kept outside the restricted zones, to the Republic of Croatia is hereby lifted.

Operators responsible for consignments of susceptible animals, kept prior to dispatch in the territories of Hungary and Slovakia outside the restricted zones, for the purpose of entry into the Republic of Croatia, must ensure that:

- Only clinically healthy animals are transported.

- Proof of a negative foot-and-mouth disease virus test result (both molecular test (PCR) and serological test (ELISA)), not older than 72 hours, is available for all animals in the consignment.

Animals are transported exclusively by road vehicles, directly from the establishment of

origin to the destination in the Republic of Croatia.

- Transport is conducted directly, without any stops, to the destination establishment, slaughterhouse, or designated exit point.

- Transit through Hungary and Slovakia is conducted only on main roads located outside the restricted zones, in accordance with the national measures in force in those countries.

- After unloading, vehicles are cleaned, washed, and disinfected at the destination or, exceptionally, as close as possible to it. Drivers must possess an official certificate confirming this and present it upon request by an official.

After unloading the animals, cleaning, washing, and disinfection, vehicles returning to the country of origin shall not stop at other establishments for keeping or gathering animals or at

slaughterhouses in the Republic of Croatia.

Road vehicles transporting consignments of susceptible animals that have transited through Hungary and Slovakia, road vehicles transporting susceptible animals that were kept prior to dispatch in Hungary and Slovakia outside the restricted zones and road vehicles transporting raw milk originating from Hungary and Slovakia are only permitted to enter through the following two former border control posts:

- until 15 May 2025 at the former border control posts with Hungary: Goričan and Duboševica
- from 16 May 2025, at the former border control posts with Hungary: Goričan.



Control post, previous border crossing Goričan (HR) - Letenye (HU)



Control post, former border crossing Duboševica (HR) - Udvar (HU) (open until 15 May 2025)

All vehicles transporting live susceptible animals and raw milk will be checked and disinfected on those border crossings. Consignments of other products are not included in the national order with measures or traffic arrangements.

Empty road vehicles used for the transport of susceptible animals, as well as empty road vehicles transporting raw milk, must be cleaned, washed, and disinfected prior to entering the Republic of Croatia. Drivers must hold an attestation of disinfection confirming this, which must be presented upon request by an official.

Kind regards,

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