



Better Training for Safer Food *Initiative*

Training course on "Animal Welfare during transport"

ANIMAL TRANSPORTERS' PERSPECTIVE FOR GUARANTEEING THE PROTECTION OF ANIMALS DURING LONG JOURNEY TRANSPORTS AND RELEVANT INITIATIVES IN THIS FIELD

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EU Regulation 1/2005
*"PROTECTION OF THE ANIMALS DURING THE
TRANSPORT AND RELATED OPERATIONS"*

*Introduction of a **new principle**:*

*Article 3 - General conditions for the transport of
animals*

*(e) the personnel **handling animals** are **trained** or
competent as appropriate for this purpose and carry out
their tasks...*

WHY???



This Regulation **extends the responsibilities** in the matter of welfare of the animals to **ALL** the operators involved in the process **(NOT ONLY THE TRANSPORTER)**.

It means that all the operators must be on the alert for what concern the observance of the legislation during their own operations.



...the personnel **handling animals...**

(NOT only the driver OR the transporters)

ART. 17 - 1. Training courses shall be available for personnel of transporters and assembly centres.

BUT



Regulation 1/2005

Only information for the training course for
DRIVERS

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CHAPTER II

Certificate of competence for drivers and attendants pursuant to Article 17(2)

1. DRIVER/ATTENDANT IDENTIFICATION		
1.1. Surname		
1.2. First names		
1.3. Date of birth	1.4. Place and country of birth	1.5. Nationality
2. CERTIFICATE NUMBER		
2.1. This subsection is reserved		
3. ISSUING OFFICE THE CERTIFICATE		
3.1. Name and address of the body issuing the certificate		
3.2. Telephone	3.3. Fax	3.4. Email
3.5. Date	3.6. Place	3.7. Stamp
3.8. Name and signature		

(1) Issued on request

- ## TRAINING COURSE ITEMS:
- ❖ Animal physiology;
 - ❖ Practical aspects of the handling of animals;
 - ❖ Impact of driving quality;
 - ❖ Emergency care for animals;
 - ❖ Safety considerations for personnel handling animals

Training

Art. 6 - 5. No person shall drive, or act as an **attendant** on a road vehicle transporting domestic Equidae or domestic animals of bovine, ovine, caprine or porcine species or poultry unless he holds a certificate of competence pursuant to Article 17(2). The **certificate of competence** shall be made available to the competent authority when the animals are transported

7. Paragraphs 1, 2, 4 and 5 shall not apply to persons transporting animals up to a maximum distance of **65 km** counted from the place of departure to the place of destination

ATTENDANT

Article 2 Definitions

(c) 'attendant' means a person directly in charge of the welfare of the animals who accompanies them during a journey;





WE DELIVERED ALMOST 600 CERTIFICATES OF
COMPETENCE FOR ATTENDANT SINCE THE ENTRY INTO
FORCE OF THIS REGULATION

Article 3

General conditions for the transport of animals



The attendant must pay attention to some important issues like:

B T S F

FITNESS FOR TRANSPORT

1. No animal shall be transported unless it is fit for the intended journey, and all animals shall be transported in conditions guaranteed not to cause them injury or unnecessary suffering.



MEANS OF TRANSPORT

1. Provisions for all means of transport

1.1. Means of transport, containers and their fittings shall be designed, constructed, maintained and operated so as to:

- (a) avoid injury and suffering and to ensure the safety of the animals;
- (b) protect the animals from inclement weather, extreme temperatures and adverse changes in climatic conditions;
- (c) be cleaned and disinfected;
- (d) prevent the animals escaping or falling out and be able to withstand the stresses of movements;
- (e) ensure that air quality and quantity appropriate to the species transported can be maintained;
- (f) provide access to the animals to allow them to be inspected and cared for;
- (g) present a flooring surface that is anti-slip;
- (h) present a flooring surface that minimises the leakage of urine or faeces;
- (i) provide a means of lighting sufficient for inspection and care of the animals during transport



- Present a flooring surface that is anti-slip;



MEANS OF TRANSPORT

1.2. Sufficient space shall be provided inside the animals' compartment and at each of its levels to ensure that there is adequate ventilation above the animals when they are in a naturally standing position, without on any account hindering their natural movement



1.4. Partitions shall be strong enough to withstand the weight of animals. Fittings shall be designed for quick and easy operation





For what concern the **LONG JOURNEYS** of

- - Domestic equidae,
 - Domestic animals of bovine, ovine, caprine, and porcine species, the Chapter VI illustrates all the **ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS:**

ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS:

1) ROOF

of light-colour and properly insulated

2) FLOOR AND BEDDING

appropriate bedding or equivalent material which guarantees the comfort of the animals transported. This material has to ensure adequate absorption

3. FEED



The means of transport shall carry a sufficient quantity of appropriate feeding stuff for the feeding requirements of the animals during the journey, and this feed shall be protected from the weather and from contaminants such as dust, fuel, ...

5. Water SUPPLY

- .Each animal must have access to water;***
- .The watering devices shall be in good working order and be appropriately designed and positioned for the categories of animals to be watered on board the vehicle;***



WATERING DEVICES FOR BOVINE SPECIE



WATERING DEVICES FOR PORCINE, OVINE AND CAPRINE SPECIES





5. Water SUPPLY

.The water tanks' total capacity for each means of transport shall be at least equal to 1.5% of its maximum payload – water tanks must be designed so that they can be drained and cleaned after each journey and must be fitted with a system allowing their water level to be checked

Water tanks



6. Ventilation For Means Of Transport By Road And Temperature Monitoring

- .the ventilation system must be capable of operating for at least 4 hours, independently of the vehicle engine;*
- .At any time during the journey, whether the means of transport is stationary or moving, they are capable of maintaining a range of temperatures from 5°C to 30°C within the means of transport, for all animals, with a +/- 5°C tolerance, depending on the outside temperature*

The ventilation system



Movable windows





6. Ventilation For Means Of Transport By Road And Temperature Monitoring

- .means of transport by road must be fitted with a **TEMPERATURE MONITORING SYSTEM** as well as with a means of recording such data. Temperature recordings obtained in such manner shall be dated and made available to the competent authorities upon request;*
- .means of transport by road must be fitted with a **WARNING SYSTEM** in order to alert the driver when the temperature in the compartments where animals are located reaches the maximum or the minimum limit;*

Temperature monitoring system



Temperature monitoring system





***JOURNEY TIMES AND RESTING PERIOD**

*Among the general conditions for live animal transport by road, we can find that “**the transport is carried out without delay to the place of destination and the welfare conditions of the animals are regularly checked and appropriately maintained**”
(CHAPTER 1 – Article 3)*

... BUT ...

*when the organizer plans a long journey, he has to consider that the different kind of animals need to have different stops in order to safeguard their welfare and health during and after the transport. After the journey time laid down, animals must be unloaded, fed and watered and be rested for at least 24h, in a special rest area, called “**Control Posts**”, that are places where animals are rested for at least 24h or more*



PIGS

**START → STOP OF → ARRIVE
(24 H) 24 H**



CONTROL POSTS



EQUIDAE

START → STOP OF → ARRIVE



CONTROL POSTS

PROBLEMS from the practical point of view



Training

"the personnel **handling animals** are **trained** or competent as appropriate for this purpose and carry out their tasks..."

BUT

There are provisions **only** for
DRIVERS/ATTENDANTS

Fitness for Transport

Regardless the training of the attendant
it would be better to provide the
presence of the vet at the place of
loading

General Conditions...

(g) sufficient floor area and height is provided for the animals, appropriate to their size and the intended journey



BUT the responsibility should be of the
ORGANIZER



No accordance between Reg. Ce1/2005 and 561/2006

Key-word:

HARMONIZATION

Reg. 1/2005

“No consignments of animals shall be detained during transports unless it is strictly necessary for the welfare of the animals or reasons of public safety ”- Art.22

Reg. 561/2006

“This Reg. lays down driving times, breaks and rest periods for drivers engaged in the carriage of goods and passengers by road in order to improve working condition and road safety ”- Art.1

need of changes on the EU Reg.1/2005 starting by PUBLIC SAFETY

2) SHORTAGE OF REST AREAS FOR TRUCKS THAT MAKES TRANSPORTS OF LIVES ANIMALS

.Rest stations

(For a rest period of 1 h in which the attendant give liquid and necessary feed to the animals)

.Control posts

(For a stop of 24 h)

Rest Stations

- .Usually the existing rest stations don't accept easily these trucks (bad smell, bad noise,...)*
- .These trucks need equipped rest stations (access to water, shady places,...)*



Control posts shall:

- .be listed by the Commission and have an approval number;*
- .be under the control of an official veterinarian;*



***CONTROL
POST
“CE012PS”
(ITALY)***

Control posts shall:

- *be located, designed, constructed and operated as to ensure sufficient bio-security preventing the spreading of serious infectious diseases to other holdings and between consecutive consignments of animals passing through these premises;*



Control posts shall:

.Be constructed, equipped and operated as to ensure that cleaning and disinfections procedures can be carried out. A lorry wash shall be provided on the spot. Such facilities must be operational under all weather conditions.

Disinfections Procedures



Lorry Wash



Control Posts: Problems

- .Number insufficient;*
- .Not all accept every species of animals.*



3) RANGE OF TEMPERATURES FROM 5°C TO 30°C (with a +/- 5°C tolerance)

*The Commission shall elaborate **before 31 July 2005** a report on the basis of an opinion of the European food Safety Authority, accompanied by appropriate draft measures with a view to establishing a range of maximum and minimum temperatures for the transported animals, taking into account the prevailing temperatures within certain regions of the community having particular conditions*

Chapter VI – art.3



3) RANGE OF TEMPERATURES FROM 5°C TO 30°C (with a +/- 5°C tolerance)

AT THE MOMENT

- .Report not published yet*
- .Limits of temperature – no problems if exceeded*

*****Aim: to take into account the real climatic conditions to safeguard the welfare and health of animals during and after the transport***

3) RANGE OF TEMPERATURES FROM 5°C TO 30°C (with a +/- 5°C tolerance)

BUT, if confirmed:



***Many months, every year, it will be impossible to
make transport of live animals***



Navigation System

- 4.2. The Commission shall submit to the Council, by 1 January 2008, the results of study of navigation systems and the application of such technology for the purpose of this Regulation.*
- 4.3. The Commission shall submit to the Council, not later than 1 January 2010, a report on the implementation of the Navigation System referred to in paragraph 4.2, accompanied by any proposals it would deem appropriate, aimed in particular at defining specifications of the Navigation System to be used for all means of transport.*

Navigation System

No Technical specification yet



*each transporter is organized independently,
choosing the equipment in accordance with
principles not standardized*

Navigation System

As Association of Transporters we will ask the requested NOT Retroactive - appealing unconstitutionality to request the replacement of working equipment



4) Relationship with the customers

*NEW TECHNOLOGIES
Means
BIG COSTS*

*Usually customers only wants to **SAVE** their
MONEY and **TIME**.*

***** usually not the big industries but the small dealer**



4) Relationship with the customers

So, they choose transporters that don't respect this Regulation for what concern

- ✓ *Documents*
- ✓ *Inadequate means of transport*
- ✓ *No rest periods for the welfare of the animals*
- ✓ *No Certificate of Competence for drivers*

4) Relationship with the customers ***

It is necessary:

- *More controls on the road by the competent authorities*



- *To give them more informations about this Regulation*





**Thank you for your
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