



# **Implementation of the new 'Pet Regulation' – Regulation (EU) No 576/2013 –**

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## Brief history: legislative steps at COM level

- COM statement in Regulation (EU) No 438/2010 (29/5/2010)  
*The Commission has the intention to propose a revision of Regulation (EC) No 998/2003 in its entirety before 30 June 2011, and, in particular, the aspects of delegated and implementing acts.*
- COM adopted COM(2012)89 final on 5 March 2012:
  - repeals and replaces Regulation (EC) No 998/2003 of EP and Council;
  - aligns the powers conferred on COM under Regulation (EC) No 998/2003 with Articles 290 and 291 TFEU;
  - clarifies the regime that applies from 1 January 2012, in particular as regards Articles 4(1), 6, 8 and 16 of Regulation (EC) No 998/2003.



## Brief history: legislative steps at COM level

- COM adopted COM(2012)90 final on 5 March 2012:
  - replaces in Articles 10 and 16 of Directive 92/65/EEC references to Regulation (EC) No 998/2003 by references to Regulation (EU) No 576/2013;
  - inserts reference to Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 in Article 10;
  - prohibits imports of unvaccinated dogs/cats/ferrets;
  - extends the time limit from 24 to 48h before dispatch for the clinical examination;
  - clarifies the actors of the certification.



## Brief history: legislative steps at Council and EP level

- Discussion at Council from March to December 2012 (compromise text);
- Discussion with EP following rapporteur' report, from December 2012 until May 2013;
- Adoption by EP in May 2013, by Council in June 2013;
- Publications on 28 June 2013:
  - 'Pet Regulation';
  - COM implementing Regulation regarding the identification documents, declarations and list of third countries;
  - Amendment of Directive 92/65/EEC;
- Publication on 23 October 2013: COM Implementing Decisions regarding trade and import certificates.



## Key dates and legal acts

- 28 June 2013: publication of
    - Regulation (EU) No **576/2013** of EP and Council
    - COM Implementing Regulation (EU) No **577/2013**
    - Directive **2013/31/EU** of EP and Council amending Council Directive 92/65/EEC-balai Directive
  - 23 October 2013: publication of
    - COM Implementing Decision **2013/518/EU** (trade certificate)
    - COM Implementing Decision **2013/519/EU** (import certificate and list of authorised third countries)
- 29 December 2014: applicability**



## Commission initiatives <sup>(1)</sup>

- Review of DG for Health and Food Safety (SANTE) website [http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/liveanimals/pets/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/liveanimals/pets/index_en.htm)
- Information of Third Countries competent authorities through EU delegations (new health certificates)
- Posters made available to Member States, aiming at raising awareness of the public at strategic entry points.
- EUROPE DIRECT Contact Centre <http://europa.eu>
- Translation into 24 languages of a special FVE Q&A publication <http://www.fve.org/news/publications.php>





## Commission initiatives <sup>(2)</sup>

- New training in the framework of the Better Training for Safer Food Commission initiative started in December 2013

<http://www.foodinfo-europe.com/training-programs/mdc-presentation>

- ✓ aiming at providing to Member States and certain third countries' veterinary services and customs' staff a common understanding of the EU legislation in relation to the cross-border movement of dogs and cats and its control (e.g. lectures/discussions on key concepts of "non-commercial", "trade" and "imports", practical sessions in TPE/BIPs);
- ✓ training of trainers (dissemination of information, including training of authorised veterinarians)
- ✓ 10 four-day workshops in 2013-2014 (after adoption of the new Pet Regulation); 310 participants from MSs, CH, NO, IS, MA, TN, B&H, IL, TR, UA, AL, EG, BY, RS...
- ✓ 1 or 2 custom officers per workshop.



## Commission initiatives <sup>(3)</sup>

- New BTSF programme launched in 2015 (since the date of applicability of the new Pet Regulation)

<http://www.foodinfo-europe.com/training-programs/mdc-presentation>

- ✓ 4 four-day workshops planned in 2015, 6 in 2016
- ✓ 1 workshop with interpretation in French for Northern Africa countries
- ✓ 30 participants per workshop (300 in total)
- ✓ 4 locations:
  - Malaga (practical session in Tarifa port)
  - Zagreb (practical session in Zagreb airport)
  - London (practical session in HARC-Heathrow airport)
  - Milano (practical session in Milano Malpenza airport)



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