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ANNEX IV

Validity requirements for the rabies antibody titration test

1. The collection of the sample of blood necessary to carry out the rabies antibody titration test must be carried out and documented by an authorised veterinarian in the appropriate section of the identification document;

2. The rabies antibody titration test:

(a) must be carried out on a sample collected at least 30 days after the date of vaccination and:

(i) not less than three months before the date of:

— the non-commercial movement from a territory or a third country other than those listed in the implementing acts adopted pursuant to Article 13(1) or (2), or

— the transit through such a territory or third country, where the conditions laid down in point (c) of Article 12 are not fulfilled, or

(ii) before the pet animal left the Union for movement to or transit through a territory or a third country other than those listed pursuant to Article 13(1) or (2); the identification document in the format provided for in Article 21(1) must confirm that a rabies antibody titration test was carried out with a favourable result before the date of movement;

(b) must measure a level of neutralising antibody to rabies virus in serum equal to or greater than 0,5 IU/ml and using a method prescribed in the relevant part of the Chapter concerning rabies in the Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals of the World Organisation for Animal Health;

(c) must be performed in one of the following:

(i) an official laboratory, in a Member State or in a third country that is a Contracting Party to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, designated in accordance with Article 37 of Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council for the perfor mance of the rabies antibody titration test and for which the competent authority has provided to the Commission its name and contact details; or

(ii) a laboratory in a third country or territory listed in Annex VIII to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404, designated by the competent authority of the third country meeting the requirements laid down in Article 37(4) and (5) of Regulation (EU) 2017/625 for the performance of the rabies antibody titration test and for which the competent authority has provided to the Commission its name and contact details.

(d) does not have to be renewed following a satisfactory result described in point (b), provided that the pet animal is revaccinated within the period of validity referred to in point 2(e) of Annex III of the previous vaccination.