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Pursuant to article 145, paragraph 2 of the Constitution of the Republic of Kosovo, article 1.3 point (d) of UNMIK Regulation No.2001/19 of September 13th on Executive Department of Provisional Institutions of Self-Government in Kosovo, and article 8, paragraphs 8.1, 8.2 and 8.5 of Veterinary Law No.2004/21, of July 30th 2004, Minister of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Rural; Development,
Issues the following:

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO.02/2009
Concerning of non commercial pet animal movement conditions

Article 1
Objective

By this administrative instruction shall be defined veterinary conditions and control methods of control regarding to pet animal movement within the territory of the Republic of Kosovo, intended for non commercial purposes.

Article 2

1. Animals in which this administrative instruction shall be applicable are described in Annex I of this administrative instruction.
2. Without coming in to a conflict with provisions of this administrative instruction, shall be applied specific decisions concerning to veterinary conditions, whereas they regulate limited movement of some pet animals.

Article 3
Definitions

To understand this administrative instruction, terms used shall mean:
“**Pet animals**”- shall mean animals described in Annex I of this administrative instruction ,during their movement shall be accompanied by owner or other person

responsible for them ,authorized by owner and not intended for further sale or change of the owner;

“Passport”-shall mean any document which enables identification of pet animals including here provisions which enable to check their health status, provided under article 16 point 2 of this administrative instruction,

“Veterinary certificate”- Shall mean a veterinary document, issued by competent authority, accompanying pet animal during international transport;

“Movement “- shall mean any place of pet animal residence in the Republic of Kosovo, entry or re entry within the territory of the country;

“Competent authority”-shall mean Kosovo Veterinary and Food Agency -MAFRD.

Article 4

1. During four year transitional period of entry in to force of this administrative instruction, animal species mentioned in the part A and B of Annex I of this administrative instruction, should be identified by one of the following methods:
 - 1.1 By a tattoo number or marker,
 - 1.2 By electronic system of identification (Micro chip).
2. Without prejudice of the identification method, provided in paragraph 1 of this article shall be provided details of pet animal owner and its address.
3. Entry of the pet animal within the territory of the Republic of Kosovo and their identification shall be made under rules for their identification.
4. After transitional period, only identification methods mentioned under paragraph 1, point 1.2 of this article shall be acceptable as identification methods of pet animals.
5. In the case of identification has been carried out according to ISO 11784 standards or Annex A ISO 11785, owner, respectively pet animal keeper shall ensure adequate reader, which is necessary to read a micro chip at any time of inspection.

Article 5

Conditions applicable to pet animal movement from EU countries in to Republic of Kosovo

1. During pet animal movement, referred in part A and B of Annex I of this administrative, from regions or countries in region ,referred in part A and B of Annex II of this administrative instruction ,except the conditions from article 6 of this administrative instruction ,pet animals shall be :
 - 1.1 identified under provisions of paragraph 4.1, point 1.2 of this administrative instruction, and
 - 1.2 accompanied by a passport, issued by authorized veterinarian who certifies vaccination validity against rabies disease, or re-vaccination, if applicable in compliance with recommendations of the manufacturer ,applied in animal with interactive vaccine, with at least one antigen unit per dose (according to WHO standards). The animal must be identified.

2. The movement shall be permitted for animals referred in part A and B, Annex I of this administrative instruction, not older than 3 months and not vaccinated, if they are accompanied by passport, or if such animals have been staying in the same place since birth, not being in contact with wild animals not exposed to infection or move under care of parent.

Article 6

1. During movement of pet animals, referred in to Part A of this administrative instruction from Republic of Kosovo in regions of the countries in Part A, Annex II of this administrative instruction shall fulfill the following conditions:

- 1.1 Animals must be identified in compliance with paragraph 1, point 1.2 of this administrative instruction;
- 1.2 Animals must be vaccinated against rabies at least 30 days earliest prior entering in the territory of the Republic of Kosovo;
- 1.3 Animal shall be accompanied by a passport, issued by authorized veterinarian who certifies that except the conditions mentioned in Article 5, paragraph 1, point 1.2 of this administrative instruction, to have the titer of antibodies with neutralization of antibodies by titration with at least or equally of 0,5NJI/ml carried out in approved laboratory ,within the described interval;
- 1.4 This titre of antibodies shall not mean that this shall be repeated for animals which during the previous titration have been regularly vaccinated within intervals mentioned in Article 5, paragraph 1 of this administrative instruction, without any interruption in the protocol of vaccination, described vaccine producer;
- 1.5 Dogs and cats should be treated against ecinococoza and this must be documented in veterinary certificate or passport for dogs and cats. This must be realized 30 days before the import of animal and even with the certain dose with antiparasit Praziquantel or Epsiprantel.

2. Besides, if the competent authority of the countries from paragraph 1 of this Article, permits derogations in specific circumstances of the animals, mentioned in a Part A, Annex I of this administrative instruction, animals younger than three months can not be entered in to market, until they reach appropriate age for vaccination and shall be subjected to titration test of anti bodies.

Article 7

During the movement of the animals listed in a Part C, Annex I of this administrative instruction with origin from all countries from the Part A and B, of Annex II of this administrative instruction shall not mean that should fulfill conditions and requirements related to rabies. If appropriate, specific conditions including possible limitation of the animal number and model of veterinary certificates which are accompanying animal can be described in the report with other disease.

Article 8

Conditions related to entry of the pet animals originating from the countries not member of European Union in to the territory of the Republic of Kosovo.

1. During animal pet movement, listed in Part A and B of Annex I of this administrative instruction shall:
 - 1.1 animals originating from the countries listed in Part C of Annex II of this administrative instruction shall fulfill the conditions set out in article 5 point 1 of this administrative instruction;
 - 1.2 animals originating from countries which are not listed in a Part II of this administrative instruction shall be marked as brought in article 4; point 1.2 of this administrative instruction shall be subject to:
 - 1.1.1 Vaccination against rabies, in compliance with article 5 of this administrative instruction, and
 - 1.1.2. Animals must be vaccinated against rabies at least 30 days earliest prior entering in the territory of the Republic of Kosovo.
 - 1.1.3 the test for titer of the anti bodies with at least or equally with 0,5NJI/ml in a sample taken by authorized veterinarian, at least 30 days from the latest vaccination, and three months from the movement:
 - 1.1.4 Titration of the anti bodies should not be repeated at animals who have been re vaccinated in the intervals listed in article 5 of this administrative instruction;
 - 1.1.5 The three months period, described as in the paragraph 1.1.2 of this paragraph shall not be applicable at repeated entry of pet animals within the territory of the Republic of Kosovo, which can be proved by a passport that titration of anti bodies with positive result, applied before the animal has left the listed country;
 - 1.1.6 Dogs and cats should be treated against ecinococoz and this must be documented in veterinary certificate or passport for dogs and cats. This must be realized 30 days before the import of animal and even with the certain dose with antiparasit Praziquantel or Epsiprantel.
2. Pet animals shall be accompanied by veterinary certificates, issued by authorized veterinarian, or during re entry, a passport which certifies that have been fulfilled conditions under paragraph 1 of this article.
3. Entry of the unvaccinated pet animals younger than three months of the species listed in a Part A of Annex I of this administrative instruction from the countries listed in a Part C of Annex II can be approved, if the situation about rabies has been verified in that country.

Article 9

Suitable conditions for animal movement, listed in a Part C of Annex I of this administrative instruction, who are entering in to the territory of the Republic of Kosovo and the model of veterinary certificate which is accompanying animal shall be defined by specific decision by competent authority.

Article 10

1. List of the countries listed in Part C of Annex II of this administrative instruction contains countries which have proved rabies status in compliance with specific procedures of the European Commission, if:

- 1.1. Is obligatory the notification of rabies suspicion to the competent authority;
- 1.2. Permanent monitoring which is carried out in the last two years;
- 1.3. Organization of veterinary services satisfactory and guarantees validity of the veterinary certificate;
- 1.4. Have been described measures for prevention and control of rabies, including import conditions;
- 1.5. Are in force instructions for marketing authorization of rabies vaccines - list of the vaccines approved by laboratory.

Article 11

General provisions

- 1. The competent authority shall enable clear information and easy access for information to the public about the veterinary conditions applied for non commercial pet animal movement in the territory of the Republic of Kosovo and conditions that should be fulfilled during the entry and reentry in the country as well.
- 2. The competent authority shall provide provisions of this administrative instruction and shall inform all border posts.

Article 12

- 1. The competent authority shall undertake all appropriate measures to ensure that pet animals entering within the territory of the Republic of Kosovo shall subject:
 - 1.1 Identification and inspection of documentation at the border inspection post passengers at the entry post of the Republic of Kosovo if there are more than five pet animals;
 - 1.2. If there is a case of five or more pet animals shall be subject to a veterinary inspection and they shall entry in the approved border post and in compliance with specific rules.
- 2. The competent authority appoints a responsible body for inspection and in this case the European Commission shall be notified.

Article 13

The competent authority shall draw description of the entry posts as it has been listed in article 12 of this administrative instruction and EU member States and European Commission shall be notified.

Article 14

- 1. During of any period of the pet animal movement, owner or the keeper in charge for pet animal shall prove to official person for inspection of passport or veterinary certificate as it is

set out in article 8, paragraph 2 of this administrative instruction, where can be verified that the pet animal fulfills the requirements and conditions set out for animal movement.

2. Especially in cases as it is set out in article 4, paragraph 5 of this administrative instruction where a micro chip does not fulfill ISO standard 17784 or Annex A ISO standard 11785, owner or keeper at any time shall provide an equipment to read identification micro chip for inspection purposes.

3. If during the inspection the animal does not fulfill requirements under provisions of this administrative instruction, the authorized person for inspection and referring by border veterinary inspector or authorized inspector shall:

1.1 sent back the animal in the place of origin; or

1.2 put in quarantine under official supervision for certain period of time until the health requirements shall be fulfilled and all expenses shall be covered by owner, or

1.3 as final solution is elimination of animal with human method without any compensation when the return or isolation in the quarantine is unable.

4. The competent authority shall provide that animals which is refused approval for entry in the territory of the Republic of Kosovo shall be placed under official supervision until their return to the country of origin or until another administrative decision is taken.

Article 15

Final provisions

When the conditions applied in movement include titration of antibodies for rabies, the sample shall be taken by official veterinarian and the test shall be carried out in approved laboratory, in compliance with specific requirements of the European Commission.

Article 16

1. For movement of animals, listed in Part A and B of Annex I of this administrative instruction technical requirements except those listed in this administrative instruction can be described in compliance with procedures of European Commission.
2. The model of passport accompanying animals listed in a Part A and B of Annex I of this administrative instruction is set out by specific provisions.

Article 17

If the epidemiologic situation disease of the rabies is changed in any of countries from the Annex II, then the competent authority may define that animals listed in a Part A and B of Annex I, coming from those countries must fulfill conditions set in article 8, paragraph 1, point 2 of this administrative instruction.

Article 18

Part C of Annex I and Part B of Annex II of this administrative instruction can be completed in compliance with specific procedures of European Commission, taking in to a consideration development of disease situation e by which animal species are affected listed

in this administrative instruction, and in particular rabies and if appropriate restrain the number of animals which may move for non commercial purposes.

Article 19

Annex I and II are components of this administrative instruction.

Article 20 **Entry in to force**

This Administrative Instruction enters in to force in the day of signature.

Pristine, on 27.02.2009

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Development
Minister,
Idriz Vehapi

ANNEX I

Part A

Dogs

Cats

Part B

Animals from Mustelidae family and African polecats (*Mustela putorius*)

Part C

Invertebrates, excluding bee and crabs)

Decorative Tropical fish

Amphibians
Reptiles
Birds of all species excluding poultry
Mammals, rodents and domestic rabbits

ANNEX II
LIST OF THE COUNTRIES
PART A

IE	-	IRELAND
MT	-	MALTA
SE	-	SWEEDEN
UK	-	UNITED KINGDOM

PART B

1.

- (a)DK- DANMARK including –GL-Greenland and FO-Faroe Islands
 - (b)ES- SPAIN, including, Balears islands, canrice islands, Cueta and Melilla;
 - (c)FR- FRANCE
 - (d)GI- GIBLARTAR
 - (e)PT- PORTUGAL, including region of Asore Island and Medieira Island
 - (f) EU Member states, not listed in the Part A and points (a),(b),(c),and (i)
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2.

- AD - ANDORA
- CH - SWISERLAND
- IS - ISLAND
- LI - LIHTENSHTAJNI
- MC - MONACO
- NO - NORWAY
- SM - SAN MARINO
- VA - VATIKAN

PART C

- AC - ISLANDS FROM THE SOUTH OF PACIFIC OCEAN
- AE - UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
- AG - ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA
- AN - ANTIL OF NETHERLAND
- AR - ARGENTINA
- AU - AUSTRALIA
- AW - ARUBA
- BA - BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA
- BB - BARBOS
- BH - BAHREIN
- BM - BERMUDA
- BY - BJELLORUSIA
- CA - CANADA
- CL - CHILE
- FJ - FIJI
- FK - FALCLAND ISLAND
- HK - HONG KONG
- JM - JAMAICA
- JP - JAPAN
- KN - SAINT CHRISTOFER AND NEVIS
- KY - KYAMANKE ISLANDS
- MS - MONSERRAT
- MU - MAURICIJUS
- MX - MEXICO

MY	-	MAYLESIA
NC	-	NEW CAMBODIA
NZ	-	NEW ZELAND
PF	-	FRENCH POLINESIA
PM	-	SAINT PIERRE AND MIQUELON
RU	-	RUSSIAN FEDERATION
SG	-	SINGAPORE
SH	-	SAINT HELEN????
TT	-	TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO
TW	-	TAIWAN
US	-	UNOITED STATES OF AMERICA (Including GU-GUAM)
VC	-	SAINT VINCENT AND GRENADINI
VG	-	BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS
VU	-	VANATU
WF	-	WALLIS AND FATUNA
YT	-	MAYOTTE