

Health problems affecting intra-Community trade in bovine animals and swine

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This proposed directive had a number of objectives: - now that specific Community rules had been adopted to combat foot-and-mouth disease, exotic diseases and African swine fever, it was appropriate to delete existing provisions on these problems in Council Directive 64/432/EEC on animal health problems affecting intra-Community trade in bovine animals and swine; - with regard to the single market, the requirement for animals to have spent at least 6 months in a Member State before being transported needed to be abolished. Furthermore, calves under 15 days old needed to be included in the scope of the directive, and the references to border posts removed; - the requirement to carry out tests prior to transport on animals from countries or regions which were recognised as free of tuberculosis, brucellosis or enzootic bovine leucosis also needed to be abolished, together with mastitis screening tests on dairy cows, as a further step towards completion of the single market. Because Council Directive 64/632/EEC had been amended more than 40 times since it was adopted, it needed to be consolidated.