

Public health: control of salmonella and food-born zoonotic agents

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LEGISLATIVE ACT: Commission Regulation 1003/2005/EC implementing Regulation 2160/2003/EC as regards a Community target for the reduction of the prevalence of certain salmonella serotypes in breeding flocks of *Gallus gallus* and amending Regulation 2160/2003/EC.

CONTENT: The purpose of Regulation 2160/2003/EC is to ensure that proper and effective measures are taken to detect and control salmonella and other zoonotic agents at all relevant stages of production, processing and distribution, particularly at the level of primary production, in order to reduce their prevalence and the risk they pose to public health.

Under that Regulation a Community target is to be established for the reduction of the prevalence of all salmonella serotypes with public health significance in breeding flocks of *Gallus gallus* at the level of primary production.

The Community target for the reduction of *Salmonella enteritidis*, *Salmonella hadar*, *Salmonella infantis*, *Salmonella typhimurium* and *Salmonella virchow* in breeding flocks of *Gallus gallus* shall be a reduction of the maximum percentage of adult breeding flocks comprising at least 250 birds remaining positive to 1 % or less by 31 December 2009.

However, for Member States with fewer than 100 breeding flocks, not more than one adult breeding flock shall remain positive.

The testing scheme to verify the achievement of the Community target is set out in the Annex to the Regulation.

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