

Food safety: feed and food law, animal health and animal welfare rules, official controls

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ACT : Commission Regulation 2075/2005/EC laying down specific rules on official controls for *Trichinella* in meat.

CONTENT : Regulations 853/2004/EC, 854/2004/EC and 882/2004/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council lay down the health rules and requirements regarding food of animal origin and the official controls required.

In addition to those rules, more specific requirements should be laid down for *Trichinella*. Meat of domestic swine, wild boar, horses and other animal species may be infested with nematodes of the genus *Trichinella*. Consumption of meat infested with *Trichinella* can cause serious disease in humans.

Consequently, this Regulation lays down measures to prevent human disease caused by the consumption of meat infested with *Trichinella*.

It defines:

- the obligations of competent authorities and of food business operators; sampling of carcasses; derogations; *trichinella* examination and application of health mark; staff training; methods of detection; contingency plans; recognition of officially *Trichinella*-free holdings; obligations on food business operators to inform; monitoring programmes; withdrawal of official recognition of *Trichinella*-free holdings or regions with negligible risk;
- rules relating to import health requirements.

ENTRY INTO FORCE : 11/01/2006. The Regulation shall apply from 01/01/2006.