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Annex II: Control programme – Reduction of prevalence of Salmonella serotypes in certain poultry populations

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Animal population Breeding flocks of Gallus gallus

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A. Technical information

By submitting this programme, the Member State (MS) attests that the relevant provisions of the EU legislation will be implemented during its entire period of approval, in particular:

- Regulation (EC) No 2160/2003 on the control of *Salmonella* and other specified food-borne zoonotic agents,
- Regulation (EU) No 200/2010 implementing Regulation (EC) No 2160/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards a Union target for the reduction of the prevalence of *Salmonella* serotypes in adult breeding flocks of *Gallus gallus*,
- Regulation (EC) No 1177/2006 implementing Regulation (EC) No 2160/2003 as regards requirements for the use of specific control methods in the framework of the national programmes for the control of *Salmonella* in poultry.

As a consequence, the following measures will be implemented during the whole period of the programme:

1. The **aim of the programme** is to implement all relevant measures in order to reduce to 1% or less the maximum percentage of adult breeding flocks of *Gallus gallus* remaining positive for the target *Salmonella* serovars: *Salmonella* Enteritidis (SE), Typhimurium (ST)(including the antigenic formula 1,4,[5],12:i:-), Hadar (SH), Infantis (SI) and Virchow (SV).

For a MS with less than 100 adult breeding flocks of *Galus gallus* the target is to have no more than one such flock remaining positive for the relevant *Salmonella* serovars per year.

yes

no

If no please explain.

2. The programme will be implemented on the **whole territory** of the Member State.

yes

no

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If no please explain.

3. Flocks subject to the programme

	Total number of flocks of breeders in the MS	Number of flocks with at least 250 adult breeders	Number of flocks where FBO sampling shall take place	Number of flocks where official sampling will take place
Rearing flocks	650		650	0
Adult flocks	640	640	640	540
Number of adult flocks where FBO sampling is done at the hatchery		0	0	0
Number of adult flocks where FBO sampling is done at the holding		640	640	540

NB : All cells shall be filled in with the best estimation available.

Comments (max. 32000 chars) :

Official and FBO sampling is fully in compliance with Commission Regulation (EC) No 200/2010.

4. Notification of the detection of target *Salmonella* serovars

A procedure is in place which guarantees that the detection of the presence of the relevant *Salmonella* serotypes during sampling at the initiative of the food business operator (FBO) is notified without delay to the competent authority by the laboratory performing the analyses. Timely notification of the detection of the presence of any of the relevant *Salmonella* serotypes remains the responsibility of the food business operator and the laboratory performing the analyses.

yes

no

If no please explain.

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5. Biosecurity measures

FBOs have to implement measures to prevent the contamination of their flocks.

yes

no

If no please explain. if yes, describe also the biosecurity measures that shall be applied, quote the document describing them (if any) and attach a copy

The Salmonella control programme sets down minimum requirements for the content of the sanitation rules. The farmers shall create sanitation rules for their holdings. This operating instructions and sanitation rules of the holding shall be submitted to RVA. A farmer keeps records about all disinfection and preventive actions performed on the holding. The sanitation rules have to contain checks of disinfection efficacy and other preventive measures to be taken in daily routine.

Operating instructions and sanitation rules are applied in all farming procedures from day-old chick consignment arrival to transportation to a slaughterhouse/depopulation.

The biosecurity measures are part of sanitary programmes that are checked during official visits in accordance with the multi-annual national control plan. In case of unsatisfactory outcome, the corrective measures must be applied by FBO.

In order to implement properly the principles of good farming practice, it is necessary to apply "all in - all out" system. The mechanical cleaning of halls/houses and technologies followed by disinsection, disinfestation and rat control shall be performed after each production cycle.

The relevant RVA supervises the disinfection efficacy carried out by farmers. This shall be done by official sampling (swabs for testing the disinfection efficacy) each time the RVA considers it necessary.

For farmers to be certain about adequate bio-security standards, they may implement a voluntary Guide of good hygiene practice for poultry farmers. This Guide is available on State Veterinary Administration website.

6. Minimum sampling requirements for food business operators :

Samples at the initiative of the FBOs will be taken and analysed to test for the target *Salmonella* serovars respecting the following minimum sampling requirements:

- a. Rearing flocks: day-old chicks, four-week-old birds, two weeks before moving to laying phase or laying unit
- b. Adults breeding flocks: depending if the MS achieved the EU target for more than 2 years

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Every second week during the laying period (at the holding and at the hatchery)

Every three weeks during the laying period at the holding.
Sampling frequency remains at every 2nd week at the hatchery.
(derogation of point 2.1.1 of Annex to Regulation (EC) No 200/2010)

Comments - Indicate also who takes the FBO samples

The sampling frame and frequency of sampling is in compliance with Regulation (EC) No 2160/2003 of the European Parliament and the Council and Commission Regulation (EU) No 200/2010.

A farmer samples all breeding flocks according to established schedule.

- a) Day-old chicks: 10 swabs from internal surfaces of boxes or crates used for transportation of the chicks;
- b) Chick carcasses found after arrival of consignment to the farm;
- c) 4 weeks old flock– pooled faecal sample;
- d) 2 weeks prior laying period – sample of pooled faecal sample;
- e) Each 3 weeks during the laying period – taking of pooled faecal sample.

Two samples of pooled faeces are taken.

The sampling shall be done by trained person, i.e. by operators, private veterinarians, or others determined by farmer. The relevant RVA organizes a training for these people.

7. Samples are taken in accordance with provisions of point 2.2 of Annex to Regulation (EU) No 200/2010

yes

no

If no please explain.

8. Specific requirements laid down in Annex II.C of Regulation (EC) No 2160/2003 will be complied with where relevant (i.e. due to the presence of SE or ST (including monophasic ST 1,4,[5],12:i:-), all birds of infected rearing or adult flocks are slaughtered or killed and destroyed, and all eggs are destroyed or heat treated):

yes

no

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If no please explain. Indicate also if birds are slaughtered or killed and destroyed, and if eggs are destroyed or heat treated.

Measures taken in the case of positive official samples for *S. Enteritidis* and/or *S. Typhimurium*:

- *Salmonella* spp. bacteriological testing of feed and water is performed, if RVA considers necessary;
- All birds, including day-old chicks, in the positive flock have to be slaughtered or destroyed to reduce the risk of *Salmonella* spreading. Slaughtering has to be carried out in accordance with EU legislation about food hygiene. By-products derived from such birds, and not intended for human consumption, have to be eliminated in accordance with Regulation (EC) of the European Parliament and of the Council No 1069/2009 laying down health rules concerning animal by-products not intended for human consumption;
- Non-incubated eggs have to be destroyed;
- When eggs for hatching are still present in a hatchery, they have to be destroyed or treated in accordance with Regulation (EC) of the European Parliament and of the Council No 1069/2009;
- After slaughtering or depopulation of infected flocks, the mechanical cleaning, disinsection, disinfestation and rat control is performed when depopulation of an infected flock. The safe elimination of faeces or litter is done. This shall be performed in accordance with the instructions of the relevant RVA.
- The relevant RVA supervises the disinfection efficacy carried out by farmers. This shall be done by official sampling (swabs for testing the disinfection efficacy) each time when depopulating the positive flock. It is done by bacteriological testing of swabs, in accordance with the method specified by the National Reference Laboratory in Prague;
- All other flocks at the holding have to be officially sampled.

9. Please describe the measures that shall be implemented in a flock (rearing and adult) where ***Salmonella* Hadar, Infantis or Virchow is detected**:

(max. 32000 chars) :

In the case of detection *Salmonella* Hadar or *Salmonella* Virchow or *Salmonella* Infantis in faecal samples:

1. The RVA shall perform an epidemiological investigation on the holding, focused on detection of the possible source of the infection and *Salmonella* spp. bacteriological testing of feed and water, if necessary.
2. Farmer attaches salmonella test result to the "Food Chain Information" when the birds are transported to a slaughterhouse.
3. Sampling in slaughterhouses shall be performed in compliance with Commission Regulation (EU) No 1086/2011 amending Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 2160/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Annex I to Commission Regulation (EC) No 2073/2005 as regards salmonella in fresh poultry meat.
4. After slaughtering, the mechanical cleaning, disinsection, disinfestation and rat control is performed when depopulation of an infected flock. The safe elimination of faeces or litter is done. This shall be performed in accordance with the instructions of the relevant RVA.
5. The relevant RVA supervises the disinfection efficacy carried out by farmers. This shall be done by official sampling (swabs for testing the disinfection efficacy) each time when depopulating the positive flock. It is done by bacteriological testing of swabs, in accordance with the method specified by the National Reference Laboratory in Prague;
6. New birds might be introduced to the house once the efficacy of disinfection result is known.

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10.If birds from flocks infected with SE or ST are slaughtered, please describe the measures that shall be implemented by the FBO and the CA to ensure that fresh poultry meat meet the relevant **EU microbiological criteria** (row 1.28 of Chapter 1 of Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2073/2005): absence of SE/ST in 5 samples of 25g:

Measures implemented by the FBO (farm level)

The slaughterhouse needs to be provided with all information about flock, which is going to be slaughtered. This information contains test results within the National Salmonella Control Programme for breeding flocks. A farmer has to provide Food Chain Information with the information about the result of Salmonella testing in the case of a positive/negative result for all Salmonella serotypes.

Measures implemented by the FBO (slaughterhouse level)

The slaughterhouse operating instructions contain measures taken in the case of slaughtering Salmonella positive flock. The positive flock is slaughtered at the end of slaughtering period, right before final disinfection of slaughterhouse's facilities.

Measures implemented by the CA (farm and slaughterhouse level)

In the case of confirmation of Salmonella Enteritidis/Typhimurium in faecal sample, the positive flock shall be slaughtered or destroyed to reduce the risk of Salmonella spreading. Slaughtering shall be carried out in accordance with EU legislation about food hygiene. By-products derived from such birds and not intended for human consumption, must be disposed in accordance with Regulation (EC) of the European Parliament and of the Council No 1069/2009 laying down health rules concerning animal by-products not intended for human consumption.

Animals to be slaughtered have to be accompanied with the food chain information according to the Regulation (EC) No 853/2004. The Food Chain Information has to contain the results of all salmonella laboratory testing of the flock performed during their life cycle (negative/positive), the date of the last sampling and its result, too.

Sampling in slaughterhouses shall be performed in compliance with Commission Regulation (EU) No 1086/2011 amending Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 2160/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Annex I to Commission Regulation (EC) No 2073/2005 as regards salmonella in fresh poultry meat.

11. Laboratories in which samples (official and FBO samples) collected within this programme are analysed are accredited to ISO 17025 standard and the analytical methods for *Salmonella* detection is within the scope of their accreditation.

yes

no

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If no please explain.

12. The **analytical methods** used for the detection of the target *Salmonella* serovars is the one defined in Part 3.2 of the Annex of Regulation (EU) No 200/2010 i.e. Amendment 1 of EN/ISO 6579-2002/Amd1:2007. '*Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs - Horizontal method for the detection of Salmonella spp. -- Amendment 1: Annex D: Detection of Salmonella spp. in animal faeces and in environmental samples from the primary production stage*'.

Serotyping is performed following the Kaufman-White-Le Minor scheme.

yes

no

If yes, please describe the alternative method(s) used.

For samples taken on behalf of the FBO alternative methods if validated in accordance with the most recent version of EN/ISO16140 may be used.

yes

no

If no please explain. If timelimits are exceeded, please indicate what is done.

For official and FBO sample testing is used the same method of detection and serotyping.

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13. Samples are transported and stored in accordance with point 3.1.1 of the Annex to Regulation (EU) No 200/2010. In particular, samples examination shall start in the laboratory within 48 hours following receipt and within 96 hours after sampling.

yes

no

If no please explain.

14. Please describe the **official controls at feed level** (including sampling).

Comments (max. 32000 chars) :

The supervision of feedingstuffs in the Czech Republic is performed by the following organisations:
State Veterinary Administration of the Czech Republic (SVA CR);
Central Institute for Supervising and Testing in Agriculture (CISTA);
Institute for the State Control of Veterinary Biologicals and Medicaments (ISCVBM).
Official controls of feed safety (where production and placing on the market of feedingstuffs are concerned) shall be performed by the CISTA, in accordance with Act No 91/1996 on feedingstuffs, as amended.
The relevant RVA provides the sampling of feedingstuffs intended for farm animals for the detection of Salmonella, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No1069/2009. The relevant RVA shall take samples in establishments producing compound feedingstuffs; samples of final feedingstuffs before dispatch shall be taken, at a volume proportional to the manufacturer's throughput. The relevant RVA shall also take official samples of feedingstuffs in breeding flock holding each time, if considered necessary.
The ISCVBM performs official controls of antimicrobials use , vaccines and medicated feedingstuffs.

15. Official controls at holding, flock and hatchery level

- a. Please describe the official checks concerning the **general hygiene provisions** (Annex I of Regulation (EC) No 852/2004) including checks on biosecurity measures, and consequences in case of unsatisfactory outcome.

(max. 32000 chars) :

The competent authority carries out official controls, when the biosecurity standards are checked. The

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official controls at the poultry farms are in accordance with the multi-annual national control plan. The plan of official controls applies to all holdings. The risk analysis is used for holding selection to be checked. To increase the effectiveness of official controls, a special Checklist for Hygiene Practice on Holdings Keeping Poultry is used. The document includes questions about bio-security measures applied in buildings, during cleaning, disinfection, feed handling, loading and transport.

The relevant RVA supervises the disinfection efficacy carried out by farmers. This shall be done by official sampling (swabs for testing the disinfection efficacy) each time the RVA considers it necessary.

Biosecurity measures and measures to prevent infections with possible spread by animals, feed, drinking water, people working at farms are defined in Decree No 342/2012 concerning animal health and its protection, animal movement and transportation and authorization and professional qualification for performance of certain professional veterinary activities.

According to §3:

1. Keeper has to protect his holdings, specifically prevent access of free birds to halls by covering windows and ventilation openings by nets;
2. Feed and water shall be given to poultry indoors (inside the hall) or at the place which protects feed/water intended for the poultry against access of free (wild) birds and prevent contact of free birds with poultry
3. The farmers shall create sanitation rules for their holdings. This operating instructions and sanitation rules of the holding shall be submitted to RVA. A farmer keeps records about all disinfection and preventive actions performed on the holding. The sanitation rules have to contain checks of disinfection efficacy and other preventive measures to be taken in daily routine.

A farmer could be penalized in accordance with the Act No 166/1999 concerning veterinary care and amending certain related laws (Veterinary Act), when not following above mentioned obligations.

Official checks in breeding poultry farms are carried out by the relevant RVA. Official veterinarian controls:

1. implementation of good farming practice
2. after each production cycle of breeding flock, the mechanical cleaning, disinsection, disinfestation and rat control is performed when depopulation of a flock. The safe elimination of faeces or litter is done;
3. salmonella control programme is implemented properly and all obligations of SCP are fulfilled;
4. farmer keeps records about holding and birds.

The official veterinary supervision of farms is carried out by official veterinary inspector. The official veterinary control consists of clinical examination of birds, control of keeping records of vaccination, evidence of private veterinarians, control of biosecurity and welfare. All breeding flocks of poultry are checked at least once per year.

- b. Routine official **sampling scheme when FBO sampling takes place at the hatchery**: EU minimum requirements are implemented i.e. :

If the EU target is achieved for more than 2 years, the CA has decided to implement the derogation of point 2.1.2.3 of Annex to Regulation (EC) No 200/2010 and therefore the EU minimum requirement for official sampling are once a year at the hatchery and once a year on the holding during the laying phase.

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yes

no

If no, the EU minimum requirements for official sampling are implemented as follows:

- every 16 weeks at the hatchery
- twice during the laying phase at the holding (within four weeks at the beginning, within eight weeks before the end), and
- at the holding each time samples taken at the hatchery are positive for target serovars

yes

no

If no please explain. Indicate also : 1) if additional official sampling going beyond EU minimum requirements is performed, 2) who is taking the official samples.

The sampling in the hatchery is not applied in the programme.

c. Routine official **sampling scheme when FBO sampling takes place at the holding**: EU minimum requirements are implemented i.e. :

If the EU target is achieved for more than 2 years, the CA has decided to implement the derogation of point 2.1.2.3 of Annex to Regulation (EC) No 200/2010 and therefore the EU minimum requirement for official sampling are twice during the laying phase at the holding.

yes

no

If no, the EU minimum requirements for official sampling are implemented as follows:

- Three times during the laying phase at the holding (within four weeks at the beginning, within eight weeks before the end and a third one in between)

yes

no

If no, please explain. Indicate also : 1) if additional official sampling going beyond EU minimum requirements is performed, please describe, 2) who is taking the official samples

Official samples shall be taken only by inspectors from the relevant RVA.

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Official sampling in breeding poultry flocks:

- a) 23. - 26. weeks old flock– pooled faecal sample;
- b) 47. - 50. weeks old flock– pooled faecal sample;
- c) Once the positive result of flock in the farm, other flocks are officially sampled;
- d) Each time the Regional Veterinary Administration considers it necessary.

d. If confirmatory samples taken at the holding (after positive results at the hatchery, or suspicion of false positivity on FBO samples taken on the holding) are negative, please describe the measures taken:



Testing for antimicrobials or bacterial growth inhibitors (at least 5 birds per house) and if those substances are detected the flock is considered infected and eradication measures are implemented (annex II.C of Regulation (EC) No 2160/2003)



Other official samples are taken on the breeding flock; if positive, the flock is considered infected and eradication measures are implemented, if negative, all restrictive measures are lifted



Other official samples are taken on the progeny; if positive, the flock is considered infected and eradication measures are implemented, if negative, all restrictive measures are lifted



None of these measures

Comments - Describe also if any other measures are implemented(max. 32000 chars) :

Official confirmatory sampling is done after positive FBO samples at the holding base on the checklist. The Regional Veterinary Administration decides about official sampling by scoring the critical points, which have been set in the checklist.

While pending the results of the confirmatory testing, the restrictive measures are implemented on the holding.

The Regional Veterinary Administration checks documentation of medicaments used at the farm. Official veterinarian is mainly focused on antimicrobial use and other substances inhibiting the growth of bacteria. The sample for testing the presence of inhibitory substances is taken, if there is a suspicion of their presence, which can have an effect on test results. Sampling might be done each time the RVA considers it necessary. The sample for testing presence of inhibition substances contains of five live, freshly dead or freshly killed birds from each flock. Bird killing must be done without drug use. The sample has to be delivered to the laboratory as soon as possible, if necessary the sample can be frozen. Only State Veterinary Institutes in Prague, Olomouc and Jihlava test these samples. The sample of breast muscle is taken from 5 killed birds and tested as a pooled sample. Testing is carried out by microbiological determination of inhibition substances (6 plate method).

If antimicrobial or bacterial growth inhibitory effect is detected, the flock is considered as an infected flock for the purpose of the EU target.

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e. Official confirmatory sampling (in addition to the confirmatory samples at the holding which are systematically performed if FBO or official samples are positive at the hatchery):

After positive official samples at the holding

<input type="checkbox"/>	Always
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sometimes (criteria apply)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Never

After positive FBO samples at the holding

<input type="checkbox"/>	Always
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sometimes (criteria apply)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Never

When official confirmatory sampling is performed, additional samples are taken for checking the presence of antimicrobials:

Always Sometimes Never

Please insert any comments. Describe the criteria used to determine if confirmatory sampling is performed. Indicate also which samples (if any) are taken to check the presence of antimicrobials.

The Regional Veterinary Administration decides if to carry out confirmatory sampling after positive FBO samples at the holding. This decision is based on scoring points set out in a checklist. The Regional Veterinary Administration checks documentation of medicaments used at the farm. Official veterinarian is mainly focused on antimicrobial use and other substances inhibiting the growth of bacteria. The sample for testing the presence of inhibitory substances is taken, if there is a suspicion of their presence, which can have an effect on test results. Sampling might be done each time the RVA considers it necessary. The sample for testing presence of inhibition substances contains of five live, freshly dead or freshly killed birds from each flock. Bird killing must be done without drug use. The sample has to be delivered to the laboratory as soon as possible, if necessary the sample can be frozen. Only State Veterinary Institutes in Prague, Olomouc and Jihlava test these samples. The sample of breast muscle is taken from 5 killed birds and tested as a pooled sample. Testing is carried out by microbiological determination of inhibition substances (6 plate method).

If antimicrobial or bacterial growth inhibitory effect is detected, the flock is considered as an infected flock for the purpose of the EU target.

1

2

3

4

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1	2	3	4
For routine samples taken at the holding	No of flocks positive to SE / ST	Out of the flocks in column 2, No of cases where official confirmatory samples ³ were taken	Out of the cases in column 3, No of cases where confirmatory samples were negative
FBO samples ¹	4	4	4
Official samples ²	0	0	0

¹ Reg 200/2010, point 2.2.2.1 of the Annex

² Reg 200/2010, point 2.2.2.2 of the Annex

³ Reg 200/2010, point 2.2.2.2.c of the Annex

What happened to the flocks counted under 4 (re checked for the presence of Salmonella (on the progeny? on the same flock)? Checked for the presence of antimicrobials?) (max. 32000 chars):

The flock was considered negative.

- f. Article 2 of Regulation (EC) No 1177/2006 (**antimicrobials** shall not be used as a specific method to control *Salmonella* in poultry): please describe the official controls implemented (documentary checks, samplings) to check the correct implementation of this provision (at the holding and at the hatchery). For samples please describe the samples taken, the analytical method used, the result of the tests.

(max. 32000 chars):

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16. Salmonella vaccination

Voluntary

Compulsory

Forbidden

Use of *Salmonella* vaccines is in compliance with provisions of Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1177/2006.

Comments - If performed please describe the vaccination scheme (vaccines used, vaccines providers, target flocks, number of doses administered per bird, etc) (max. 32000 chars) :

Vaccination of breeding flocks is voluntary. The farmers do not get compensation for the costs connected with voluntary vaccination.

Vaccines used must have valid registration by the Institute for State Control of Veterinary Biologicals and Medicines and must comply with requirements of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1177/2006. Dosage, application method and use in various age categories are established by the vaccine manufacturer.

Live salmonella vaccines for which the manufacturer does not provide an appropriate method to distinguish bacteriologically wild-type strains of salmonella from vaccine strains are prohibited from use in the framework of national salmonella control programmes.

According to this programme, vaccination of pre-laying pullets shall be performed during their rearing period, so as to the vaccination and re-vaccination is completed prior to the planned start of their laying period.

Vaccines are selected by the private veterinarian in charge.

17. System for **compensation to owners** for the value of their birds slaughtered or culled and the eggs destroyed or heat treated.

Describe the system for compensation to owners. Indicate how improper implementation of biosecurity measures can affect the payment of compensation (max. 32000 chars) :

Compensation due the disease eradication is paid on central level by Ministry of Agricultural (only from State budget). This is in accordance with § 67 of the Act No. 166/1999 Col. (Veterinary Act). The farmer get paid for costs and losses which are connected to emergency veterinary measures in accordance with § 67, § 68, § 69 and § 70 of Act No 166/1999 (Veterinary Act).

In the case of presence of the contagious disease listed in Annex No 2 of the Veterinary Act, the compensation shall include:

a) the costs of killing or emergency slaughtering of animals, the safe elimination of their cadavers; where

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appropriate, the compensation shall be also provided for the safe elimination of their products, decontamination of water and feedingstuffs;

b) the value of killed animals or animals which were slaughtered;

c) the mechanical cleaning, disinsection, disinfestation and rat control of the holding and of its equipment

According to the § 68 of Veterinary Act:

(1) The compensation pursuant to § 67 shall be provided based on expended costs and losses.

(2) The compensation for the killed animal or animal which were slaughtered shall be provided based on the usual price of a healthy animal of the same species and category at the place and time of the loss and:

a) the amount provided to the keeper for utilisable parts of the animal carcass shall be deducted;

b) it shall be reduced by 20 % of the animal price if the animal has been killed or has been slaughter in consequence of the dangerous contagious disease for which preventive vaccination exists, but the keeper did not use possibility to vaccinate his animals

Price of animals killed or slaughtered and price of destroyed or heat-treated eggs are evaluated by authorised expert. Ministry of Agriculture calculates compensations on the basis of this expert evidence.

18. Please describe the official procedure to test, after the depopulation of an infected flock, the **efficacy of the disinfection** of a poultry house (number of samples, number of tests, samples taken, etc...)

(max. 32000 chars):

The mechanical cleaning, disinsection, disinfestation and rat control is performed when depopulation of an infected flock. The safe elimination of faeces or litter is done. Farmers shall take swab samples and send for laboratory testing of disinfection efficacy.

New birds shall be introduced to the house once the efficacy of disinfection result is known.

Official sampling for disinfection efficacy testing is performed, if RVA considers it necessary.

Disinfection efficacy sample contains 6 swabs. These six swabs are collected from each house after mechanical cleaning and disinfection. Sampling has to be carried out after exposure time of the disinfectant from dry surfaces no later than 72 hours after disinfection.

The surface sampling for one swab sample is 100 cm². The interpretation of the final disinfection efficiency is calculated as the arithmetic average of the values of CFU / 100 cm² detected in individual swabs. Disinfection is considered effective if the average is less than 5×10^5 CFU per 100 cm².

B. General information

1. Structure and organisation of the **Competent Authorities** (from the central CA to the local CAs)

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Short description and/or reference to a document presenting this description (max. 32000 chars) :

The national monitoring programme is established on the basis of § 48(1) and § 10 of Veterinary Act and Decree No 356/2004 concerning the monitoring of zoonoses and zoonotic agents and amending Decree No 299/2003 concerning measures for prevention and eradication of contagious diseases and diseases communicable from animals to human.

The Ministry of Agriculture of the Czech Republic (MA CR) shall, in accordance with § 44(1)(a) of Veterinary Act, establish the principal trends and tasks in the field of veterinary care and control their implementation. MA CR shall specify, on the basis of animal health situation, compulsory preventive and diagnostic actions in accordance with § 44(1)(d) of Veterinary Act. Detailed rules are set in the "Methodology of Animal Health Control and Ordered Vaccination" (Methodology), published in the Official Journal of the MA CR. The SVA CR supervises all activities laid down in the Methodology. RVAs supervise activities of farmers and private veterinarians according to the Methodology.

All samples are tested only in laboratories of the State Veterinary Institutes (SVI) under the supervision of the State Veterinary Administration (SVA). The external agencies or laboratories are not involved in the programme.

The programme is applied in the whole territory of the Czech Republic. The territory is divided into 14 regions (NUTS 3):

CZ011 CAPITAL CITY PRAGUE
CZ021 CENTRAL BOHEMIAN REGION
CZ031 SOUTHERN BOHEMIAN REGION
CZ032 REGION OF PLZEN
CZ041 REGION OF KARLOVY VARY
CZ042 REGION OF USTI N. LABEM
CZ051 REGION OF LIBEREC
CZ052 REGION OF HRADEC KRALOVE
CZ053 REGION OF PARDUBICE
CZ061 REGION OF VYSOCINA
CZ062 SOUTHERN MORAVIAN REGION
CZ071 REGION OF OLOMOUC
CZ072 REGION OF ZLIN
CZ081 MORAVIA-SILESIA REGION

2. Legal basis for the implementation of the programme

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- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1177/2006 of 1 August 2006 implementing Regulation (EC) No
- Commission Regulation (EC) NO 2160/2003 of 17 November 2003 on the control of salmonella and other specified food-borne zoonotic agents;
2160/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards requirements for the use of specific control methods in the framework of the national programmes for the control of salmonella in poultry;
- Commission Regulation (EU) No 200/2012 of 8 March 2012 concerning a Union target for the reduction of Salmonella Enteritidis and Salmonella Typhimurium in flocks of fattening turkeys as provided for in Regulation (EC) No 2160/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council;
- Commission Regulation (EU) No 517/2011 of 25 May 2011 implementing Regulation (EC) No 2160/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards a Union target for the reduction of the

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prevalence of certain *Salmonella* serotypes in laying hens of *Gallus gallus* and amending Regulation (EC) No 2160/2003 and Commission Regulation (EU) No 200/2010; Commission Regulation (EU) No 200/2010 of 10 March 2010 implementing Regulation (EC) No. 2160/2003 as regards a EU target for the reduction of the prevalence of *Salmonella* serotypes in adult breeding flocks of *Gallus gallus* and amending Regulation (EC) No 2160/2003;

- Commission Regulation (EU) No 1190/2012 of 12 December 2012 concerning a Union target for the reduction of *Salmonella* Enteritidis and *Salmonella* Typhimurium in flocks of turkeys, as provided for in Regulation (EC) No 2160/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council;
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2073/2005 of 15 November 2005 on microbiological criteria for foodstuffs;
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1091/2005/ES of 12 July 2005 implementing Regulation (EC) No 2160/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards requirements for the use of specific control methods in the framework of the national programmes for the control of salmonella;
- Regulation (EC) No 852/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 on the hygiene of foodstuffs;
- Act No 166/1999 concerning veterinary care and amending certain related laws (Veterinary Act), as amended;
- Act No 154/2000 concerning pedigree breeding, breeding and registration of farm animals and amending certain related laws (Breeding Act), as amended;
- Act No 146/2002 concerning the Czech Agriculture and Food Inspection Authority and amending certain related laws, as amended;
- Act No 20/1966 concerning public health care, as amended;
- Decree No 356/2004 concerning the monitoring of zoonoses and zoonotic agents and amending Decree No 299/2003 concerning measures for prevention and eradication of contagious diseases and diseases communicable from animals to man;
- Decree No 342/2012 concerning animal health and its protection, animal movement and transportation and authorisation and professional qualification for performance of certain professional veterinary activities, as amended;
- Decree No 136/2004 specifying in detail identification and registration of animals, registration of holdings and persons specified by Breeding Act;

3. Give a short summary of the outcome of the **monitoring of the target *Salmonella* serovars** (SE, ST) implemented in accordance with Article 4 of Directive 2003/99/EC (evolution of the prevalence values based on the monitoring of animal populations or subpopulations or of the food chain).

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The prevalence of target *Salmonella* serovars in breeding flocks on holdings for past three years was as follows: in 2021 (0,0%), in 2020 (0,2%), in 2019 (0,0%). More detailed results of monitoring are reported to EFSA in compliance with Directive 2003/99/EC every year.
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4. System for the registration of holdings and identification of flocks

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In the Czech Republic the farms are registered in the Database of Farms in accordance with Breeding Act No 154/2000 and corresponding Decree No 136/2004 laying down details for identification of animals and their registration and registration of holdings and person established by Breeding Act.

Each holding, where a flock of more than 100 head of adult poultry with the production of hatching eggs is kept shall be assigned by a registration number of the holding, the keeper of adult poultry shall keep a register of poultry in the holding and all farmers records shall be kept in accordance with Breeding Act and Decree No 136/2004, as amended.

Each flock has to have a unique identification. The identification shall consist of the registration number of the holding and the identification of the flock; e.g. "CZ 12345678-00H0-03/2020".

Farmers are responsible for the proper identification of flocks.

The flock identification number have to be filled in the application form for laboratory testing.

5. System to monitor the implementation of the programme.

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The main principles of the monitoring system, the proper implementation of the programme and the system of result collection in the framework of the SCP, are:

1. System of holding and flock identification - monitoring and traceability of animals, each flock in each category has UNIQUE FLOCK NUMBER
2. System of sample identification – each sample is identified by type of sample, flock origin, vaccination, antibiotic treatment
3. System of data collection including FBO sampling, official sampling and competent authority checks
4. Approved laboratories for testing in the framework of the SCP perform testing of all samples in the framework of the programme (official and FBO samples) and enter data about test results into the Information System of SVA CR

The farmer has to provide the RVA with the test results. Salmonella spp. positive results are send to SVA CR.

The SVI in Prague, the National Reference Laboratory for Salmonella, summarizes data from all laboratories in the Czech Republic monthly. The summarized data are provided to the SVA CR monthly. The relevant RVA official veterinarian enters all the data connected with SCP to the Information System of SVA CR.

The SVA CR regularly (monthly) evaluates the implementation of the programme based on the data in the Information System.

SVA monitors and evaluates:

1. data of the samples and their results
2. data about flocks and the test results (the number of flock tested, the number of positive flocks, the number of flocks positive for targeted salmonella serotypes, percentage of positive flocks for the target salmonella serotypes compared to previous period)
3. information about sampling in the case of the positive flock for targeted salmonella serotypes (FBO and official sampling for disinfection efficacy and its result)

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C. Targets

1 Targets related to flocks official monitoring

1.1 Targets on laboratory tests on official samples for year :

2023

Type of the test (description)	Target population	Number of planned tests
Bacteriological detection test	Breeding flocks of Gallus gallus	1 470
Serotyping	Breeding flocks of Gallus gallus	20
Antimicrobial detection test	Breeding flocks of Gallus gallus	5
Test for verification of the efficacy of disinfection	Breeding flocks of Gallus gallus	5

1.2 Targets on official sampling of flocks for year :

2023

Type of the test (description)	Rearing flocks	Adult flocks
Total No of flocks (a)	650	640
No of flocks in the programme	650	640
No of flocks planned to be checked (b)	0	600
No of flock visits to take official samples (c)	0	730
No of official samples taken	0	1 460
Target serovars (d)	SE+ ST + SH +SI + SV	SE+ ST + SH +SI + SV
Possible No of flocks infected by target serovars	1	5
Possible No of flocks to be depopulated	1	5
Total No of birds to be slaughtered/culled	10 000	50 000
Total No of eggs to be destroyed	Text	400 000
Total No of eggs to be heat treated	Text	50 000

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- (a) Including eligible and non eligible flocks
- (b) A checked flock is a flock where at least one official sampling visit will take place. A flock shall be counted only once even if it was visited several times.
- (c) Each visit for the purpose of taking official samples shall be counted. Several visits on the same flock for taking official samples shall be counted separately.
- (d) Salmonella Enteritidis and Salmonella Typhimurium = SE + ST
Salmonella Enteritidis, Typhimurium, Hadar, Infantis, Virchow = SE+ ST + SH +SI + SV

2.1 *Targets on vaccination for year :* **2023**

Type of the test (description)	Target on vaccination
Number of flocks in the Salmonella programme	0
Number of flocks expected to be vaccinated	0
Number of birds expected to be vaccinated	0
Number of doses expected to be administered	0

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E. Financial information

1. Identification of the implementing entities - financial circuits/flows

Identify and describe the entities which will be in charge of implementing the eligible measures planned in this programme which costs will constitute the reimbursement/payment claim to the EU. Describe the financial flows/circuits followed.

Each of the following paragraphs (from a to e) shall be filled out if EU cofinancing is requested for the related measure.

a) Implementing entities - **sampling**: who perform the official sampling? Who pays?
(e.g. authorised private vets perform the sampling and are paid by the regional veterinary services (state budget); sampling equipment is provided by the private laboratory testing the samples which includes the price in the invoice which is paid by the local state veterinary services (state budget))

The official sampling is done by the RVA official veterinarian. The sampling is paid by SVA (state budget). The sampling equipment approved for testing is provided by the State Veterinary Institutes in the framework of programme. The approved sampling equipment is paid by SVA (state budget).

b) Implementing entities - **testing**: who performs the testing of the official samples? Who pays?
(e.g. regional public laboratories perform the testing of official samples and costs related to this testing are entirely paid by the state budget)

FBO and official samples are tested at the expense of the state budget. All samples are tested only in laboratories of the State Veterinary Institutes (SVI) under the supervision of the State Veterinary Administration (SVA). The external agencies or laboratories are not involved in the programme. Unless otherwise stated by specific legal rules, no financial payments shall be done between state organizations according to § 66 of Act No. 218/2000 Coll. on budgetary rules. This is applied also to State Veterinary Institutes and SVA CR. Testing in the framework of the programme is performed by State

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Veterinary Institutes at the expense of the budget of the Ministry of Agriculture. Therefore the state veterinary institutes do not submit any invoice, they only report number of testing performed. The state budget contributes to testing costs.

c) Implementing entities - **compensation**: who performs the compensation? Who pays?
(e.g. compensation is paid by the central level of the state veterinary services,
or compensation is paid by an insurance fund fed by compulsory farmers contribution)

Compensation due to the disease eradication is paid on central level by Ministry of Agricultural (only from State budget). This is in accordance with § 67 of the Act No. 166/1999 (Veterinary Act). The farmer get paid for costs and losses which are connected to emergency veterinary measures in accordance with § 67, § 68, § 69 and § 70 of Act No 166/1999 (Veterinary Act). The farmer has to apply for the compensation. This application for compensation has to be submitted to the Ministry of Agriculture within six weeks from the day, when dangerous contagious disease (Salmonellosis listed in the Annex No 2 of the Veterinary Act) was approved to be eliminated by the Competent Authority (emergency veterinary measures have been called off). When the application is not submitted within the mentioned time limit, farmer loses claim to the compensation. The Ministry of Agriculture calculates and provides the compensation to the farmer within 90 days based on the farmer's application.
Price of animals killed or slaughtered and price of destroyed or heat-treated eggs are evaluated by authorised expert. Ministry of Agriculture calculates compensations on the basis of this expert evidence.

d) Implementing entities - **vaccination**: who provides the vaccine and who performs the vaccination? Who pays the vaccine? Who pays the vaccinator?
(e.g. farmers buy their vaccine to the private vets, send the paid invoices to the local state veterinary services which reimburse the farmers of the full amount and the vaccinator is paid by the regional state veterinary services)

Vaccination of breeding flocks is voluntary. The farmers do not get compensation for the costs connected with voluntary vaccination.

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e) Implementing entities - **other essential measures**: who implement this measure? Who provide the equipment/service? Who pays?

The mechanical cleaning, disinsection, disinsectization and rat control is performed after depopulation of an infected flock. The safe elimination of faeces or litter is done. Farmers shall take swab samples and send for laboratory testing of disinfection efficacy. Cleaning and disinfection is usually carried out by specialised company and paid by farmer. The farmers do not get compensation for the costs associated with cleaning and disinfection. New flock shall be introduced to the house once the result of efficacy of disinfection is known. Official sampling for disinfection efficacy testing is performed by RVA. FBO and official swab samples are tested at the expense of the state budget.

2. Source of funding of eligible measures

All eligible measures for which cofinancing is requested and reimbursement will be claimed are financed by public funds.

yes

no

3. Additional measures in exceptional and justified cases

In the "*Guidelines for the Union co-funded veterinary programmes*", it is indicated that in exceptional and duly justified cases, additional necessary measures can be proposed by the Member States in their application.

If you introduced these type of measures in this programme, for each of them, please provide detailed technical justification and also justification of their cost:

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