

# DECISIONS

## COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2023/1145

of 7 June 2023

### amending Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2333 concerning certain emergency measures relating to sheep pox and goat pox in Spain

(notified under document C(2023)3806)

**(Only the Spanish text is authentic)**

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2016 on transmissible animal diseases and amending and repealing certain acts in the area of animal health ('Animal Health Law')<sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 259(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2333<sup>(2)</sup> was adopted within the framework of Regulation (EU) 2016/429, and it lays down emergency measures relating to outbreaks of sheep pox and goat pox in Spain, that were detected in the regions of Andalusia and Castilla-La Mancha, where they form two distinct clusters, one in each region. That Implementing Decision applies until 31 October 2023.
- (2) More particularly, Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2333 provides that the protection, surveillance and further restricted zones, to be established by Spain following outbreaks of sheep pox and goat pox, in accordance with Article 21 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687<sup>(3)</sup>, are to comprise at least the areas listed in the Annex to that Implementing Decision.
- (3) In addition to the protection and surveillance zones, a further restricted zone was established, in accordance with Article 21(1), point (c), of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687, in both the regions of Andalusia and Castilla-La Mancha, where Spain is required to apply certain measures regarding restrictions on the movements of sheep and goats outside that further restricted zone, with a view to preventing the spread of sheep pox and goat pox to the rest of its territory and to the rest of the Union.
- (4) After the adoption of Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2333, Spain notified the Commission of a number of additional outbreaks of sheep pox and goat pox in establishments where sheep and/or goats were kept. As a result, the areas listed as protection and surveillance zones, as well as the areas listed as further restricted zones for Spain, in the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2333, were subsequently amended. The last amendment to that Annex was made by the Commission Implementing Decision 2023/872<sup>(4)</sup>.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 84, 31.3.2016, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2333 of 23 November 2022 concerning certain emergency measures relating to sheep pox and goat pox in Spain and repealing Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/1913 (OJ L 308, 29.11.2022, p. 22).

<sup>(3)</sup> Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687 of 17 December 2019 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and the Council, as regards rules for the prevention and control of certain listed diseases (OJ L 174, 3.6.2020, p. 64).

<sup>(4)</sup> Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/872 of 20 April 2023 amending Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2333 concerning certain emergency measures relating to sheep pox and goat pox in Spain (OJ L 113, 28.4.2023, p. 49).

- (5) Since the date of adoption of Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/872, Spain has notified the Commission of one additional outbreak of sheep pox and goat pox in establishments where sheep and/or goats were kept, in the region of Castilla-La Mancha, more specifically in the Province of Cuenca, outside the surveillance zone already established in that region.
- (6) The competent authority of Spain has taken the necessary disease control measures required in accordance with Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687, including the establishment of protection and surveillance zones around the new outbreak. Spain has also maintained the previously established restricted zones, around the previous outbreaks, recorded since the beginning of 2023 in Castilla-La Mancha, in the Province of Ciudad Real.
- (7) Therefore, the areas listed as protection, surveillance and further restricted zones for Spain in the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2333 should be amended, spatially and temporally, taking into account the current epidemiological situation as regards sheep pox and goat pox in the region of Castilla-La Mancha.
- (8) Given the urgency of the epidemiological situation in the Union as regards the spread of sheep pox and goat pox, it is important that the amendments to be made to the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2333 by this Decision take effect as soon as possible.
- (9) In addition, taking into account the current epidemiological situation in the Union as regards sheep pox and goat pox, the period of application of Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2333 should be prolonged until 31 December 2023.
- (10) Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2333 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (11) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

**Amendments to Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2333**

Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2333 is amended as follows:

1. Article 5 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 5*

**Application**

This Decision shall apply until 31 December 2023.';

2. the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2333 is replaced by the text set out in the Annex to this Decision.

*Article 2*

**Addressee**

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of Spain.

Done at Brussels, 7 June 2023.

*For the Commission*  
Stella KYRIAKIDES  
*Member of the Commission*

## ANNEX

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## A. Protection and surveillance zones established around confirmed outbreaks

Region and ADIS reference number of the outbreak	Areas established as protection and surveillance zones, part of the restricted zones in Spain as referred to in Article 1	Date until applicable
<p><b>Region of Castilla-La Mancha</b>  ES-CAPRIPOX-2023-00003  ES-CAPRIPOX-2023-00004  ES-CAPRIPOX-2023-00005  ES-CARPIPOX-2023-00006  ES-CARPIPOX-2023-00007</p>	<p>Protection zone:  A protection zone that comprises the following areas:</p> <p>In the province of Ciudad Real the municipalities of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Alcázar de San Juan</li> <li>— Campo de Criptana</li> <li>— Pedro Muñoz</li> </ul> <p>In the province of Albacete the municipality of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Minaya</li> </ul> <p>In province of Cuenca the municipalities of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Sisante</li> <li>— Casas de Fernando Alonso</li> <li>— Casas de Haro</li> <li>— Casas de los Pinos</li> <li>— El Pedernoso</li> <li>— El Provencio</li> <li>— Las Mesas</li> <li>— Las Pedroñeras</li> <li>— Mota del Cuervo</li> <li>— Pozoamargo</li> <li>— San Clemente</li> <li>— Santa María de los Llanos</li> <li>— Vara de Rey</li> </ul>	<p>20.7.2023</p>
	<p>Surveillance zone:  A surveillance zone that comprises the following areas:</p> <p>In the province of Ciudad Real the municipalities of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Villarta de San Juan</li> <li>— Villarrubia de los Ojos</li> <li>— Tomelloso</li> <li>— Socuéllamos</li> <li>— Puerto Lápice</li> <li>— Manzanares</li> <li>— Llanos de Caudillo</li> <li>— Las Labores</li> <li>— Herencia</li> <li>— Daimiel</li> </ul>	<p>7.8.2023</p>

- Argamasilla de Alba
- Arenas de San Juan
- Arenales de San Gregorio

In the province of Toledo the municipalities of:

- Villafranca de los Caballeros
- Villacañas
- Quintanar de la Orden
- Quero
- Miguel Esteban
- Madridejos
- La Villa de Don Fabrique
- La Puebla de Almoradiel
- El Toboso
- Camuñas

In the province of Cuenca the municipalities of:

- Atalaya del Cañavate
- Cañada Juncosa
- El Cañavate
- Honrubia
- Pinarejo
- Alarcón
- Casas de Benítez
- Casas de Guijarro
- Casasimarro
- El Picazo
- Pozorrubielos de la Mancha
- Quintanar del Rey
- Tébar
- Valhermoso de la Fuente
- Villanueva de la Jara
- Belmonte
- Carrascosa de Haro
- La Alberca de Zánacara
- Los Hinojosos
- Monreal del Llano
- Rada de Haro
- Santa María del Campo Rus
- Villaescusa de Haro (only the exclave of Dehesa de Alcahozo)

In the province of Albacete the municipalities of:

- Fuensanta
- La Roda
- Munera
- Tarazona de la Mancha
- Villalgordo del Júcar
- Villarrobledo

	<p>Surveillance zone:</p> <p>A surveillance zone that comprises the following areas:</p> <p>In the province of Ciudad Real the municipalities of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Alcázar de San Juan</li> <li>— Campo de Criptana</li> <li>— Pedro Muñoz</li> </ul> <p>In the province of Albacete the municipality of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Minaya</li> </ul> <p>In province of Cuenca the municipalities of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Sisante</li> <li>— Casas de Fernando Alonso</li> <li>— Casas de Haro</li> <li>— Casas de los Pinos</li> <li>— El Pedernoso</li> <li>— El Provencio</li> <li>— Las Mesas</li> <li>— Las Pedroñeras</li> <li>— Mota del Cuervo</li> <li>— Pozoamargo</li> <li>— San Clemente</li> <li>— Santa María de los Llanos</li> <li>— Vara de Rey</li> </ul>	21.7.2023-7.8.2023
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#### B. Further restricted zones

Region	Areas established as further restricted zones, part of the restricted zones in Spain as referred to in Article 1	Date until applicable
<b>Region of Castilla–La Mancha</b>	<p>A further restricted zone that comprises the following provinces:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Albacete</li> <li>— Ciudad Real</li> <li>— Cuenca</li> <li>— Toledo</li> </ul>	25.9.2023'