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Report Highlights:

On February 21, 2020, Russia notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of draft EAEU requirements for imported gastropod mollusks and the corresponding form of a unified EAEU veterinary certificate via G/SPS/N/RUS/180. The public comment period for both drafts will close on April 21, 2020. Interested U.S. parties are encouraged to share their comments and/or concerns with USDA's enquiry point (us.spsenquiry@fas.usda.gov). For potential inclusion in the U.S. official position, please send your comments by April 10, 2020.

General Information

The Eurasian Economic Commission (EEC), which is the regulatory body of the Armenia-Belarus-Kazakhstan-Kyrgyzstan-Russia Eurasian Economic Union¹ (EAEU), published the following draft documents on its website:

- [On Amending Unified Veterinary \(Veterinary and Sanitary\) Requirements for Goods Subject to Veterinary Control \(Surveillance\)](#)
- [On Amending Decision of the Customs Union Commission No. 607 of April 7, 2011](#)

The notified documents would introduce a new Chapter 47 with the veterinary requirements for gastropod mollusks imported into the EAEU and a new form No. 48 of a unified EAEU veterinary certificate for imported gastropod mollusks.

An unofficial English translation of the above-referenced draft documents can be found below.

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¹ For details, please see 2016 GAIN report *Eurasian Economic Union One Year On* at <https://gain.fas.usda.gov>.

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**EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION
COLLEGIUM**

DECISION

_____ 20____ No. _____ city

**On Amending the Unified Veterinary (Veterinary and Sanitary) Requirements for Goods
Subject to Veterinary Control (Surveillance)**

In accordance with paragraph 2 of Article 58 of the Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union of May 29, 2014, and paragraph 22 of Annex No. 2 to the Rules of Procedure of the Eurasian Economic Commission approved by Decision of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council No. 98 of December 23, 2014, the Collegium of the Eurasian Economic Commission **has resolved:**

1. To amend the Unified Veterinary (Veterinary and Sanitary) Requirements for Goods Subject to Veterinary Control (Surveillance), approved by Decision of the Customs Union Commission No. 317 of June 18, 2010, in accordance with the attachment.

2. The present Decision shall come into effect after 30 calendar days from its official publication.

Chairman of the Collegium
Of the Eurasian Economic Commission

ATTACHMENT
to Decision of the Collegium
of the Eurasian Economic Commission
No. ____ dated _____ 2020

AMENDMENT
to the Unified Veterinary (Veterinary and Sanitary) Requirements
for Goods Subject to Veterinary Control (Surveillance)

To supplement with Chapter 47 as follows:

“Chapter 47

**VETERINARY REQUIREMENTS
for the import of gastropod mollusks and their larvae in the customs territory of the Eurasian
Economic Union and (or) transfer between the Member States**

It is allowed to import in the customs territory of the Eurasian Economic Union and (or) transfer between the Member States live gastropod mollusks and their larvae, originating from the premises recognized as free during the last 24 months from diseases of poikilothermic animals and species susceptible thereto.

Live gastropod mollusks imported in the unified customs territory of the Eurasian Economic Union and (or) transferred between the Member States, within 72 hours before shipment shall be subjected to visual inspection, which should not reveal signs of any infections or contagious diseases posing a threat to poikilothermic animals, other animals or human health.

Live terrestrial gastropod mollusks were grown using natural substrates and feeds that were not subjected to biothermal or other disinfecting treatment before use, and originate from places where anthrax, Infection with abalone herpesvirus; Infection with *Bonamia ostreae*; Infection with *Bonamia exitiosa*; Infection with *Marteilia refringens*; Infection with *Perkinsus marinus*; Infection with *Perkinsus olseni*; Infection with *Xenohalotis californiensis* were not recorded.

Microbiological, chemical toxicological and radiological indicators, as well as the content of phytotoxins and other contaminants (for mollusks intended for food) comply with the veterinary and sanitary requirements and rules applicable in the customs territory of the Eurasian Economic Union.

The packaging (containers, etc.) that is used for transportation of live gastropod mollusks and their larvae shall ensure the conditions, which do not change their health status. Live gastropod mollusks and their larvae must be packaged in new containers or other packaging that has been cleaned and disinfected in order to destroy disease agents. Each unit of packaging (containers, etc.) shall be enumerated and marked with a label.

**EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION
COLLEGIUM**

DECISION

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On Amending Decision of the Customs Union Commission No. 607 of April 7, 2011

In accordance with paragraph 17 of the Protocol on the application of sanitary, veterinary and sanitary and phytosanitary measures (annex No. 12 to the Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union of May 29, 2014) and paragraph 19 of Annex No. 2 to the Rules of Procedure of the Eurasian Economic Commission approved by Decision of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council No. 98 of December 23, 2014, the Collegium of the Eurasian Economic Commission **has resolved:**

1. To amend decision of the Customs Union Commission No. 607 of April 7, 2011, “On the Forms of the Unified Veterinary Certificates for Controlled Goods Imported into the Customs Territory of the Eurasian Economic Union from third Countries”, in accordance with the attachment.
2. The present decision shall take effect after 30 calendar days from its official publication.

Chairman of the Collegium
of the Eurasian Economic Commission

ATTACHMENT
to Decision of the Collegium
of the Eurasian Economic Commission
No. ____ dated _____ 2020

AMENDMENTS
to Decision of the Customs Union Commission No. 607 of April 7, 2011

1. To supplement with paragraph 48 as follows:

“48. Veterinary certificate for gastropod mollusks and their larvae exported to the customs territory of the Eurasian Economic Union (Form No. 48) (attached).”

2. The forms of the Unified Veterinary Certificates, approved by the said Decision, shall be supplemented with the veterinary certificate gastropod mollusks and their larvae exported to the customs territory of the Eurasian Economic Union (Form No. 48) as follows:

“Форма № 48 /Form No. 48

1. Описание поставки / Shipment description	
1.1. <i>Название и адрес грузоотправителя: / Name and address of consignor:</i>	Ветеринарный сертификат на экспортируемых на таможенную территорию Евразийского экономического союза брюхоногих моллюсков и их личинок / Veterinary certificate for gastropod mollusks and their larvae exported to the customs territory of the Eurasian Economic Union
1.2. <i>Название и адрес грузополучателя: / Name and address of consignee:</i>	
1.3. <i>Количество мест (контейнеров): / Number of places (containers):</i>	
1.4. <i>Маркировка пломбы на транспортном контейнере: / Seal marking on transport container:</i>	1.8 <i>Страна, выдавшая сертификат: / Country that issued the certificate:</i>
1.5. <i>Транспорт: / Means of transport: (№ рейса самолета, название судна, номер вагона, автомашины) (flight-number, name of the ship, number of the carriage, vehicle)</i>	1.9. <i>Компетентное ведомство страны-экспортера: / Competent authority of exporting country:</i>
	1.10. <i>Учреждение страны-экспортера, выдавшее сертификат: / Organization of the exporting country endorsing this certificate:</i>
1.6. <i>Страна (ы) транзита: / Country (s) of transit:</i>	1.11. <i>Пункт пропуска товаров через таможенную границу: / Point of entry of goods through the customs border:</i>
2. Идентификация товара / Identification of goods	
2.1. <i>Наименование товара: / Name of goods:</i>	
2.2. <i>Вид моллюска: / Mollusk specie:</i>	
2.3. <i>Назначение (нужное подчеркнуть): разведения, в пищу, другое _____: / Use (underline as appropriate): for breeding, food, other _____</i>	
3. Происхождение товара / Origin of goods	
3.1. <i>Административно-территориальная единица: / Administrative-territorial unit:</i>	
3.2. <i>Название, регистрационный номер и адрес предприятия: / Name, registration number and address of the establishment:</i>	
4. Информация о состоянии здоровья / Health information	
Я, нижеподписавшийся государственный/официальный ветеринарный врач, настоящим удостоверяю следующее: / I, the	

undersigned government/official veterinarian, certify that:

4.1. Экспортируемые на таможенную территорию Евразийского экономического союза брюхоногие моллюски и их личинки, происходят из хозяйств, признанных свободными в течение последних 24 месяцев от болезней пойкилотермных животных и чувствительных к данным болезням видов животных. / Gastropod mollusks and their larvae exported into the customs territory of the Eurasian Economic Union originate from the premises recognized as free during the last 24 months from diseases of poikilothermic animals and species susceptible thereto.

Ввозимые на единую таможенную территорию Евразийского экономического союза живые брюхоногие моллюски, в течение 72 часов перед отправкой подвергнуты визуальному осмотру, в результате которого не выявлено признаков каких-либо инфекций или контагиозных заболеваний, представляющих опасность для пойкилотермных животных, других животных или здоровья человека. / Live gastropod mollusks imported in the unified customs territory of the Eurasian Economic Union within 72 hours before shipment were subjected to visual inspection, which did not reveal signs of any infections or contagious diseases posing a threat to poikilothermic animals, other animals or human health.

4.2. Живые сухопутные брюхоногие моллюски выращены с использованием естественных субстратов и кормов, не подвергнутых перед использованием биотермической или иной дезинфицирующей обработке, и происходят из мест содержания, где не регистрировались сибирская язва, Infection with abalone herpesvirus; Infection with Bonamia ostreae; Infection with Bonamia exitiosa; Infection with Marteilia refringens; Infection with Perkinsus marinus; Infection with Perkinsus olseni; Infection with Xenohaliotis californiensis. / Live terrestrial gastropod mollusks were grown using natural substrates and feeds that were not subjected to biothermal or other disinfecting treatment before use, and originate from places where anthrax, Infection with abalone herpesvirus; Infection with Bonamia ostreae; Infection with Bonamia exitiosa; Infection with Marteilia refringens; Infection with Perkinsus marinus; Infection with Perkinsus olseni; Infection with Xenohaliotis californiensis were not recorded.

4.3. Для моллюсков, предназначенных в пищу микробиологические, химикотоксикологические и радиологические показатели, а также содержание фикотоксинов и других загрязнителей соответствуют действующим в Евразийском экономическом союзе ветеринарным и санитарным требованиям и правилам. / For mollusks intended for food microbiological, chemical toxicological and radiological indicators, as well as the content of phytotoxins and other contaminants comply with the applicable veterinary and sanitary requirements and rules of the Eurasian Economic Union.

4.4. Для транспортировки брюхоногих моллюсков и их личинок используются упаковки (контейнеры и др.), обеспечивающие условия, которые не меняют состояния их здоровья. Живые брюхоногие моллюски и их личинки упакованы в новые контейнеры или иную упаковку, прошедшую очистку и дезинфекцию с целью уничтожения возбудителей болезней. / The packaging (containers, etc.) that is used for transportation of live gastropod mollusks and their larvae ensures the conditions, which do not change their health status. Live gastropod mollusks and their larvae are packaged in new containers or other packaging that has been cleaned and disinfected in order to destroy disease agents.

4.5. Транспортировка животных исключает возможность их контакта с другими животными. / Transportation of animals precludes the possibility of their contact with other animals.

4.6. Каждая единица упаковки (контейнеры и др.) пронумерована и маркирована этикеткой. / Each unit of packaging (containers, etc.) is enumerated and marked with a label.

4.7. Транспортное средство подготовлено в соответствии с правилами, принятыми в стране-экспортере. / The means of transport are prepared in accordance with the requirements approved by the exporting country.

Место / Place _____

Дата / Date _____

Печать / Stamp _____

Подпись государственного/официального ветеринарного врача / Signature of government /official veterinarian _____

Ф.И.О. и должность / Name and position _____

Примечания / Notes: 1. Подпись и печать должны отличаться цветом от бланка. / Signature and stamp must be in a different color to that of the printed certificate.

2. Ветеринарный сертификат оформляется на русском языке, а также на языке страны-экспортера и (или) английском языке. / Veterinary certificate is executed in the Russian language as well as the language of the exporting country and (or) the English language.

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Attachments:

No Attachments.