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General Information

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- [Draft Federal Law “On Veterinary Medicine”](#) .

The draft defines the powers of the state authorities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine. It also contains general provisions on ensuring veterinary safety, control and surveillance, maintaining veterinary records, controlling animal diseases, as well as protecting the territory of the Russian Federation against contagious animal diseases and ensuring veterinary safety of imported regulated goods.

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An unofficial English translation of the above draft document can be found below.

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FEDERAL LAW

On Veterinary Medicine

Chapter 1. General Provisions

Article 1. The purpose and scope of the Federal Law

1. This Federal Law is adopted for the purposes of ensuring protection of life and health of animals, prevention of occurrence and spread and extirpation of animal diseases, protection of people from diseases common to man and animals, protection of the territory of the Russian Federation from contagious animal diseases, providing veterinary care for animals and high animal welfare standards throughout the territory of the Russian Federation, and ensuring veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) safety of regulated goods.

2. This Federal Law establishes the legal basis for the activities of federal authorities of the Russian Federation and public authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine within the territory of the Russian Federation, defines rights and obligations of natural and legal persons, including persons who are temporarily resident in the Russian Federation, carrying out activities in the field of veterinary medicine, as well as activities associated with the production and distribution of regulated goods.

Article 2. Basic terms and definitions used hereof

For the purposes of this Law, the following terms and definitions are used:

umpire sample – a control sample used for umpire analysis;

umpire analysis – establishment of compliance of regulated products, biological and other materials, and biological waste with safety indicators and (or) veterinary safety requirements by means of laboratory testing of umpire samples, when an authorized state authority in the field of veterinary medicine and the owner (producer) disagree on their compliance;

veterinary (epizootic) welfare – a state of well-grounded confidence in non-occurrence within an administrative territory of unacceptable risks associated with personal injuries and damages to property of natural or legal persons, state or municipal property, the environment, and health and safety of animals due to animal diseases or diseases common to man and animals;

veterinary medicine – area of scientific knowledge and practical activities aimed at protecting life and health of animals, preventing occurrence and spread and extirpation of animal diseases, protecting people from diseases common to man and animals, protecting the territory of the Russian Federation from contagious animal diseases, providing veterinary care for animals and high animal welfare standards throughout the territory of the Russian Federation, and ensuring veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) safety of regulated goods;

veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) safety of regulated goods – a state of well-grounded confidence in non-occurrence of unacceptable risks associated with personal injuries and damages to property of natural or legal persons, state or municipal property, the environment, and health and safety

of animals due to animal diseases or diseases common to man and animals as a result of production and distribution of regulated goods inconsistent with established veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) requirements, as well as distribution of biological waste;

veterinary certification – activities associated with the issuance (execution) of documents for regulated goods subject to movement (transportation) by authorized authorities or persons certifying veterinary and sanitary safety of these products, as well as veterinary safety of the administrative territories where the goods are produced in regard to contagious animal diseases, including diseases common to man and animals;

veterinary examination – animal health assessment against mandatory veterinary requirements;

veterinary and sanitary examination – assessment of regulated products and biological waste against mandatory veterinary and sanitary requirements;

veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) requirements – mandatory requirements for animals and their keeping, breeding, culturing, movement (transportation), drive, distribution and slaughter (hereinafter – production and distribution of animals), for regulated products and their production, processing, storage, movement (transportation), distribution, and recycling (hereinafter – production and distribution of regulated products), and destruction of these products, to biological waste and its collection, disposal, movement (transportation), storage, and recycling (hereinafter – the distribution of biological waste) and destruction of such waste established by international treaties of the Russian Federation constituting the legal base of the Customs Union in the framework of the Eurasian Economic Community, decisions of the Customs Union, other international treaties of the Russian Federation, this Federal Law, and other federal laws, as well as other regulations of the Russian Federation adopted in accordance with them;

veterinary certificate - a document issued (executed) for regulated goods subject to movement (transportation) by an authorized authority or a person certifying veterinary and sanitary safety of these products, as well as veterinary safety of the administrative territories where the goods were produced in regard to contagious animal diseases, including diseases common to man and animals;

veterinary specialist – a person with high or secondary veterinary education, carrying out veterinary activities as a full-time employee of a public authority of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine, a legal entity (organization, company, institution), a private entrepreneur or a person engaged in veterinary activity;

veterinary expert – a veterinary specialist certified in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation;

aquatic biological resources (hereinafter – aquatic bioresources) – fish, aquatic invertebrates, aquatic mammals, algae, other aquatic animals and plants in their natural communities;

genetic safety – a state of well-grounded confidence that activities of natural and legal persons in the field of breeding of agricultural and other captive animals do not lead to the spread of genetic diseases (defects) among them if their spread is not the purpose of activities in regard to harmful and parasitic animal species;

genetic monitoring – collecting, receiving, processing and analysis of information on the occurrence and spread of genetic diseases (defects) among agricultural and other captive animals, forecasting results on the basis of analysis, and planning of activities to prevent the occurrence and spread of genetic diseases (defects);

state veterinary control (supervision) – activity of authorized state authorities (federal executive authorities and executive bodies of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation), aimed at the prevention, detection and restraint of violations of requirements established by this Federal Law, other federal laws, and other regulations of the Russian Federation adopted in accordance with them, and laws and regulations of constituent entities of the Russian Federation (hereinafter – the mandatory

requirements) by legal entities, their managers and other officials, private entrepreneurs, their authorized representatives (hereinafter – legal entities and private entrepreneurs) by means of organization and conduct of inspections of legal entities and private entrepreneurs, and measures, as provided for by the laws of the Russian Federation, aimed at prevention and (or) elimination of consequences of such violations, as well as activities of these authorized state bodies involving routine monitoring over the fulfillment of the mandatory requirements, analysis and forecasting of the status of fulfillment of the mandatory requirements by legal entities and private entrepreneurs in the course of their activities;

wild animals – wildlife objects permanently or temporarily inhabiting the territory of the Russian Federation in their natural communities, and those constituting the natural resources of the continental shelf and the exclusive economic zone of the Russian Federation;

animals – agricultural and other productive and unproductive animals, mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, invertebrates, including bees, fish, impregnated roes, aquatic mammals, aquatic invertebrates, other aquacultured organisms, and aquatic biological resources, with the exception of aquatic plants;

contagious animal diseases – infectious (caused by bacteria, mycoplasma, and viruses), invasive (caused by protozoa and helminths) and mycotic (caused by fungi) animal diseases transmitted from an infected animal to a susceptible healthy animal by means of entry of a pathogen of an infectious disease into an animal organism;

animal health status of a production facility (compartment) – level of protection of a production facility against the entry of agents of a contagious animal disease;

quarantine – a special legal regime established on a certain administrative territory, involving administrative, animal epidemic and other organizational and economic measures aimed at extirpation of niduses of contagious animal diseases and prevention of their further spread, as well as at setting restrictions for the processes of production and distribution of regulated goods and their destruction, distribution and destruction of biological waste, as well as restrictions for its collection, storage, movement (transportation), and neutralization;

quarantine zone – an area where quarantine and/or restrictive measures are applied;

quarantining of animals – isolation of animals infected and/or reasonably suspected of being infected in order to prevent the spread of infectious disease agents and/or isolation of non-infected animals in areas where there are infected animals and/or they are supposed to be, as well as isolation of animals imported into the territory of the Russian Federation and/or production facility for veterinary examination and required diagnostic tests;

compartmentalization – determination of the animal health status of production facilities;

feed additives – substances, microorganisms or their combinations, other than feed materials and premixes, which are deliberately added to animal's feed or drinking water in order to make positive effects on: characteristics of the feed; characteristics of products of animal origin; the color of ornamental fish and birds; satisfaction of animal feed requirements; environmental impacts of livestock activities; animal products, productivity and welfare, particularly by affecting the gastrointestinal flora and digestibility of feed;

extirpation of contagious animal diseases – a range of administrative, animal epidemic, and other organizational and economic measures resulting in liquidation of a contagious animal disease and its agent in the territory where it was registered;

veterinary safety monitoring of regulated goods – collecting, receiving, processing and analysis of information on compliance of regulated goods in the process of production and distribution with established veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) requirements, as well as forecasting of veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) safety of regulated products on the basis of analysis results made by authorized

state authorities in the course of routine monitoring over the fulfillment of mandatory veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) requirements;

unproductive animals – animals that are not used specifically for the production of regulated products;

aquacultured organisms – aquatic organisms that are bred and/or kept and cultivated in an artificial environment;

restrictive measures – measures aimed at ensuring veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) safety, extirpation of niduses of contagious and mass non-contagious animal diseases, prevention of occurrence and spread of contagious animal diseases, which include restrictions of economic activities, rights of natural and legal persons carrying out activities associated with the production and distribution of their owned animals and/or regulated goods;

nidus of contagious animal disease – a building, structure, plot of land, natural or artificial reservoir, and other areas where there are diseased animals and animals infected with agents of a contagious disease;

batch of regulated products – a certain amount of regulated products of the same name and package produced (manufactured) by the same manufacturer according to the same regional (interstate) standards or national standards, and/or company standards, and/or other manufacturer documents, within a certain period of time, accompanied by transportation documentation including veterinary certificate that provides traceability of the regulated products;

non-manufactured food products – food products of animal and vegetable origin produced by an individual at his/her own home and/or in personal smallholdings or by individuals engaged in gardening, horticulture, livestock farming, and other activities;

regulated goods – goods (regulated products and animals) subject to veterinary control (supervision) in the territory of the Customs Union in accordance with this Federal Law, international treaties of the Russian Federation constituting the legal base of the Customs Union in the framework of the Eurasian Economic Community, decisions of the Customs Union, and other international treaties of the Russian Federation;

supervised site – a production site, farm, biological waste disposal and destruction site, motor, rail, air, and water vehicle used or intended to be used for movement (transportation) of regulated goods and biological waste;

veterinary medical products – chemical, biological, and other preparations for the diagnosis, prevention, and extirpation of animal diseases, as well as veterinary medical products for disinfection, disinvasion, and deratization, insectoacaricide and antifungal agents other than veterinary medicines and hygiene products for animals;

productive animals – animals that are used for production of food products;

slaughter products – regulated products produced as a result of slaughter of farm animals and wild animals in captivity;

production facility – a site (building, structure, premises, natural or artificial reservoir, or other site) designed to carry out activities in the field of production and distribution of animals and of regulated products, as well as their destruction, and distribution and destruction of biological waste owned by a legal entity or private entrepreneur who carries out this activity by the right of ownership or on other legal basis;

traceability of regulated goods – an ability to determine the origin, location, and movement of regulated goods at all stages of production and distribution, allowing identification of the origin of a regulated product by means of issuing veterinary certificates, including those in electronic form, in the cases stipulated by this Law;

animal epidemic measures – measures aimed at preventing the occurrence and spread of contagious animal diseases, as well as diagnosis, treatment, and extirpation of such diseases;

livestock – animals of all species, sex, and age, which are bred in order to obtain animal products;

special measures – measures aimed at reduction of a nidus of infection in order to eliminate infectious agents in the environment, as well as eliminate possible disease carriers (disinfection, disinsectization, destruction of mites, deratization);

epizootological monitoring – collecting, receiving, processing and analysis of information on the occurrence and spread of contagious animal diseases within a controlled territory, as well as forecasting the development of its epizootic status on the basis of analysis results in the course of routine monitoring over the fulfillment of mandatory veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) requirements.

Article 3. Legal regulation and rules in the field of veterinary medicine

1. Legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine is carried out in accordance with this Federal Law, other federal laws, as well as other regulations of the Russian Federation adopted in accordance with them, laws and other regulations adopted in accordance with them of constituent entities of the Russian Federation, international treaties of the Russian Federation constituting the legal base of the Customs Union in the framework of the Eurasian Economic Community, decisions of the Customs Union, and other international treaties of the Russian Federation.

2. Veterinary rules are developed and approved by the federal executive authorities responsible for formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine.

3. Veterinary rules establish the rights and obligations of veterinary specialists, veterinary experts, natural and legal persons, and private entrepreneurs in the course of their activities carried out in the field of production and distribution of animals and of regulated products, as well as their destruction, and distribution and destruction of biological waste, as well as veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) requirements for regulated goods and biological waste, supervised sites, diagnosis activities, prevention and treatment of animal diseases, disinfection, disinsectization, deratization, veterinary examination, veterinary and sanitary examination, execution and issuance of documents provided for by the veterinary rules and this Federal Law, their forms (including electronic), technical requirements to them, other activities in the field of veterinary medicine established by this Federal Law, other federal laws, as well as other regulations of the Russian Federation adopted in accordance with these laws, international treaties of the Russian Federation constituting the legal base of the Customs Union in the framework of the Eurasian Economic Community, decisions of the Customs Union, and other international treaties of the Russian Federation.

Article 4. State Veterinary Service of the Russian Federation

1. State Veterinary Service of the Russian Federation includes:

1) the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine;

2) the federal executive authority responsible for the state control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine;

3) veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) services of the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation and implementation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of defense, the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation and implementation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of domestic affairs, the federal executive authority responsible for law enforcement, control and supervision in the field of penal service, the federal executive authority

responsible for the formulation and implementation of state policy and legal regulation, control and supervision in the field of state guard, and the federal executive authority responsible for the state management in the field of security of the Russian Federation (hereinafter - the veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) services of federal executive authorities in the field of defense, domestic affairs, penal services, state guard, and security).

4) the federal executive authority authorized by the Government of the Russian Federation for the implementation of the veterinary supervision at the checkpoints across the state border of the Russian Federation responsible for the inspection of documents submitted by a carrier or a person acting on his behalf, upon entry of the goods into the territory of the Russian Federation;

5) the executive authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine;

6) organizations carrying out their activities in the field of veterinary medicine and administered by the state authorities referred to in paragraphs 1-5 of Part 2 of this Article.

Article 5. Veterinary activities

1. Veterinary activities include the following activities:

1) veterinary services, including preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic, and other measures, laboratory tests and veterinary inspections of regulated goods and biological waste;

2) veterinary and veterinary and sanitary examination;

3) veterinary certification.

2. Activities referred to in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of this Article must be carried out by veterinary specialists and veterinary experts. Activities referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3 of Part 1 of this Article must only be carried out by veterinary experts.

In the course of the state veterinary control (supervision), veterinary certification, veterinary examination, and veterinary and sanitary examination are carried out by executive officers authorized to carry out state veterinary control (supervision) on a pro bono basis.

3. If in the course of carrying out veterinary activities, including the verification of information about unusual behavior and death of animals received from their owner, a veterinary specialist or veterinary expert discovers signs of contagious animal diseases, he/she shall immediately inform the state authority of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine in accordance with the established expertise and the owner of the animal on the detection of contagious animal diseases, as well as report any other information relevant for ensuring veterinary safety to that authority.

Chapter 2. Powers of the state authorities of the Russian Federation and constituent entities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine

Article 6. Powers of the federal executive authorities in the field of veterinary medicine

The powers of the federal executive authorities in the field of veterinary medicine include:

1) formulation and implementation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine;

2) organization and conduct of epizootological monitoring, veterinary safety monitoring, and genetic monitoring of regulated goods in the Russian Federation, except as stipulated in paragraph 22 of this Article;

3) establishment of procedures for execution and issuance of veterinary certificates;

4) establishment and cancellation of restrictive measures and (or) quarantine within the territory of the Russian Federation in case of a threat of occurrence and/or spread of contagious animal diseases, organization of restrictive measures and/or quarantine in case of occurrence and/or spread of contagious

animal diseases in the territory of two or more constituent entities of the Russian Federation, except as stipulated in paragraph 22 of this Article;

5) development and maintenance of the federal state information system in the field of veterinary medicine;

6) approval of the national animal epidemic measures plan against contagious animal diseases and provision of veterinary medications and veterinary medical products necessary for the fulfillment of measures specified in this plan;

7) introduction of restrictions on the regulated goods imported into the Russian Federation, exported from the Russian Federation, and transited through the Russian Federation;

8) issuance of permits for the regulated goods imported into the territory of the Customs Union, exported from the territory of the Customs Union and transited through the territory of the Customs Union, in accordance with the legislation of the Customs Union in the framework of the Eurasian Economic Community;

9) inspection of production facilities (farms) located in foreign countries and engaged in keeping, breeding, cultivation, and distribution of animals; production, processing, storage, and distribution of regulated products imported into the customs territory of the Customs Union, as well as transported from the territory of one member state of the Customs Union to the territory of another member state of the Customs Union; maintenance of a register of these facilities (farms); assessment of expertise of foreign authorities engaged in veterinary supervision, in order to identify means for maintenance of the required level of safety of regulated goods in accordance with the legislation of the Customs Union in the framework of the Eurasian Economic Community and international laws;

10) inspection of production facilities (farms) located in the territory of the Russian Federation against their compliance with mandatory requirements (if any) of the states or groups of states, where regulated goods produced (grown) on these production facilities (farms) are imported; maintenance of registers of production facilities (farms) complying with the specified requirements;

11) state veterinary control (supervision) of regulated goods imported into the customs territory of the Customs Union against their compliance with veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) requirements in accordance with the legislation of the Customs Union in the framework of the Eurasian Economic Community and international laws at checkpoints across the state border of the Russian Federation and other locations, as stipulated by the law;

12) state veterinary control (supervision) of regulated goods exported from the customs territory of the Customs Union against their compliance with mandatory requirements of the states or group of states, where they are exported, including at checkpoints across the state border of the Russian Federation and other locations, as stipulated by the law;

13) state accreditation of laboratories (test centers) for laboratory research in the field of veterinary medicine and supervision of their activities;

14) organization and conduct of certification of veterinary experts in the Russian Federation;

15) veterinary and veterinary and sanitary examination, as well as execution and issuance of veterinary certificates for the regulated goods imported into the customs territory of the Customs Union, or exported from the customs territory of the Customs Union;

16) registration of veterinary medical products, feed additives, as well as lines of genetically modified organisms used in the production of feed and feed additives, if they are produced in the Russian Federation or imported into the territory of the in the Russian Federation for the first time and if the feed additives have not previously been registered in another member state of the Customs Union;

17) maintenance of a register of registered veterinary medical products and the State Register of feed additives;

18) supervisory control over the activities of veterinary experts;

19) state veterinary control (supervision) at the main rail, road, sea (river), and air domestic routes of transportation of animals and regulated goods;

20) inspection of veterinary and sanitary state of road transport, ships, aircrafts, wagons, containers, warehouses, quarantine sites, loading platforms and other special facilities before loading and after unloading of regulated goods, disinfection and washing facilities, as well as collection and disposal of separations at the sea (river), air, rail, and road checkpoints;

21) deciding on determination of the animal health status of production facilities (3 and 4 levels), except as stipulated in paragraph 22 of this Article;

22) organization and conduct by the federal executive authorities in the field of defense, domestic affairs, penal services, state guard, and security at the sites within their jurisdiction, of: state veterinary control (supervision); veterinary and veterinary and sanitary examination; execution and issuance of veterinary certificates for regulated goods; epizootological monitoring; veterinary safety monitoring of regulated goods; genetic monitoring; preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic, and other measures; measures to protect the population against diseases common to man and animals; withdrawal of animals and/or regulated products during the extirpation of niduses of contagious animal diseases; determination of animal health status of production facilities; registration of regulated goods and supervised sites; recycling and disposal of biological waste; registration of notifications on the start of specific activities in the field of veterinary medicine; registration and communication of information about animals; supervision over the activities of veterinary specialists and veterinary experts; establishment and cancellation of restrictive measures and/or quarantine at the sites within the jurisdiction of these federal authorities;

23) cooperation with international organizations and foreign countries in the field of veterinary medicine.

Article 7. Powers of the Russian Federation delegated to state authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation

1. Powers of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine delegated to state authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation include:

state veterinary control (supervision), except as specified in paragraphs 11, 12, 22, of Article 6 of this Federal Law;

2. Funds for the exercise of delegated power of the Russian Federation specified in paragraph 1 of this Article are provided as subventions from the federal budget resources.

3. The total amount of funds provided as subventions from the federal budget resources to the budgets of constituent entities of the Russian Federation for the exercise of powers delegated in accordance with paragraph 1 of this Article shall be calculated based on the formula approved by the Government of the Russian Federation on the basis of:

1) the area of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation;

2) the number of productive animals in the territory of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation;

3) the number of supervised sites located in the territory of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation subject to state veterinary control (supervision) carried out by state authorities of this constituent entity of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine.

4. Subventions are credited in accordance with the established procedures on the budget accounts of constituent entities of the Russian Federation.

5. Funds for the exercise of powers specified in paragraph 1 of this Article are purpose-oriented and cannot be used for other purposes.

The subvention expenditure and accounting procedure is established by the Government of the Russian Federation.

6. If funds were used for purposes other than as intended, the federal executive authority responsible for control and supervision in the financial and budgetary field shall be entitled to recover the funds in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation.

7. The federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine:

1) adopts legal regulations on the exercise of delegated powers;
2) issues mandatory guidelines and instructional materials for the exercise of delegated powers by the state authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine and their withdrawal;

3) coordinates the structure of executive authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine exercising the delegated powers;

4) submits an appointment proposal for the head of the executive authority of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine exercising the delegated powers;

5) gives consent to the dismissal of the head of the executive authority of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine exercising the delegated powers, on application of the highest official of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation (head of the highest executive authority of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation);

6) submits a proposal for the dismissal of the head of the executive authority of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine exercising the delegated powers;

7) supervises the legal regulation by the executive authorities of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine exercising the delegated powers;

8) approves regulation forms specified in paragraph 8 of this Article;

9) establishes the reporting forms, reporting requirements and reporting procedure on the exercise of the delegated powers, including the achievement of the performance targets and expenditure of subventions from the federal budget;

10) in cases established by federal laws, prepares and submits to the Government of the Russian Federation proposals on withdrawal of the delegated powers from the executive authorities of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine.

8. The authorized federal executive authority responsible for the state control (supervision) in the field of veterinary:

1) supervises the completeness and quality of execution of the delegated powers by the executive authorities of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine and has the right to conduct inspections (including selective veterinary safety monitoring of regulated goods) and issue mandatory regulations on:

elimination of the non-compliance detected;

bringing to responsibility of officials of the executive authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine, exercising the delegated powers, in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation;

2) in cases established by federal laws, prepares and submits to the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine proposals on withdrawal of the delegated powers from the executive authorities of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine;

9. The highest official of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation (the head of the supreme executive authority of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation):

1) appoints the head of the executive authority of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine exercising the delegated powers, upon the recommendation of the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine;

2) dismisses the head of the executive authority of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine exercising the delegated powers, with the consent of the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine;

3) upon agreement with the authorized federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine, approves the structure of the executive authority of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine exercising the delegated powers;

4) independently implements the delegated powers in accordance with federal laws and other regulations of the Russian Federation, as well as laws and regulations of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation;

5) by due date, submits to the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine the following documents:

copies of laws and regulations on the delegated powers adopted by the state authorities of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation;

information about any cases of contagious animal diseases;

quarterly report on the expenditure of subventions from the federal budget for the exercise of the delegated powers in the prescribed form, including the achievement of the performance targets and expenditure of subventions from the federal budget; the achievement of the performance targets, if any; laws and regulations on the delegated powers adopted by the state authorities of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation;

other information required by laws and regulations of the federal executive authorities responsible for formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine.

10. Control over the expenditure of funds allocated for the exercise of delegated powers is exercised by the authorized federal executive authority responsible for control and supervision in the financial and budgetary field, the Accounts Chamber of the Russian Federation.

Article 8. Powers of the state authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary

Powers of the state authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary include:

1) delivery of veterinary services, including veterinary examination, veterinary and sanitary examination, execution and issuance of veterinary certificates for regulated goods, except for the cases related to the powers of the Russian Federation referred to in paragraphs 15 and 22 of Article 6 of this Federal Law;

2) implementation, within the territory of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation, of different activities for prevention, diagnosis and extirpation of animal diseases, their treatment, compartmentalization, protection of the population against diseases common to man and animals, except for the cases related to the powers of the Russian Federation referred to in paragraphs 21 and 22 of Article 6 of this Federal Law;

3) withdrawal of regulated goods during the extirpation of niduses of contagious animal diseases within the territory of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation, with reimbursement of their costs,

except for the cases related to the powers of the Russian Federation referred to in paragraph 22 of Article 6 of this Federal Law;

4) certification of veterinary experts, except for the cases related to the powers of the Russian Federation referred to in paragraph 22 of Article 6 of this Federal Law.

Article 9. Organization of activities in the field of veterinary medicine at the sites, which are under the jurisdiction of the federal executive authorities in the field of defense, domestic affairs, penal services, state guard, and security

1. Federal executive authorities in the field of defense, domestic affairs, penal services, state guard, and security establish veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) services with organizational structure, procedures, and financial support being determined by the appropriate federal executive authorities.

2. Veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) services of the federal executive authorities in the field of defense, domestic affairs, penal services, state guard, and security operate on the sites, which are under the jurisdiction of these authorities, in accordance with the powers specified in paragraph 22 of Article 6 of this Federal Law, other laws and regulations of the Russian Federation, including laws and regulations of these federal executive authorities issued within the limits of their powers.

3. Veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) services of the federal executive authorities in the field of defense, domestic affairs, penal services, state guard, and security operate in accordance with the regulations on these services approved in accordance with the established procedure, solely on the sites, which are under the jurisdiction of these authorities, under the methodological guidance of the federal executive authority responsible for formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine.

4. Heads of veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) services of the federal executive authorities in the field of defense, domestic affairs, penal services, state guard, and security also hold positions of Chief State Veterinary Inspectors of the respective federal executive authorities.

5. Veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) services exercise the powers provided for by the paragraphs 11 and 12 Article 6 of this Federal law, other regulations of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine with regards to regulated goods intended solely for the needs of the named federal executive authorities at the equipped checkpoints on the State Boarder of the Russian Federation provided they are available at the named federal executive authorities.

Chapter 3. General provisions on ensuring veterinary safety

Article 10. Ensuring veterinary safety at keeping, breeding, and raising of productive and non-productive animals, except for wild animals

1. Natural and legal persons, private entrepreneurs - owners of animals while keeping, breeding, and raising of productive and non-productive animals except for wild animals must ensure favorable environment for their life and health, along with following veterinary regulations mentioned in the part 2 and 3 of this Article.

2. Veterinary regulations for keeping, breeding, and raising of productive animals except for wild animals provide for mandatory procedures and requirements for:

- 1) care for, keeping, breeding, and raising of animals;
- 2) records of animals;
- 3) buildings and structures, land plots, natural or artificial reservoirs intended for keeping animals, and their location sites;
- 4) safety of feeds and water used for nutrition, watering, and keeping;

5) making animals available for veterinary examination, measures to prevent, diagnose and treat animal diseases, such activities content and periodicity in compliance with Article 22 of this Federal law, along with requirements for taking restrictive measures, liquidation of niduses of diseases, and measures in case of mortality;

6) animals and genetic material sampling to be used for animal breeding purposes, genetic material collection, storage, conveyance (transportation), sales and usage conditions;

7) the conditions of production animals grazing and watering, including those used in agriculture, and requirements to their treatment during grazing;

8) requirements to animal conveyance (transportation), execution and issuance of veterinary certificates;

9) quarantine measures implementation with regards to animals imported to the Russian Federation as well as animals intended for export from the Russian Federation.

3. Veterinary regulations for keeping, breeding, and raising of non-productive animals except for wild animals provide for mandatory procedures and requirements for:

1) care for, keeping, breeding, and raising of animals;

2) records of animals;

3) making animals available for veterinary examination, measures to prevent, diagnose and treat animal diseases, such activities content and periodicity, along with requirements for taking restrictive measures, liquidation of niduses of diseases, and measures in case of mortality;

4) requirements to animals conveyance (transportation), execution and issuance of veterinary certificates;

5) implementation of quarantine measures in regard to animals imported to the Russian Federation as well as animals intended for export from the Russian Federation.

4. Owners of animals subject to registration shall provide for their records following Article 25 of this Federal law and make animals available to carry out measures in prevention, diagnosis and treatment.

In case of unusual behavior of animals or mortality of animals, their owners must immediately inform the veterinary professional servicing these animals of the fact using any available communication means, and in case it is impossible to do so, inform the authorized governmental authority performing control (supervision) functions in the field of veterinary medicine in compliance with the established competence.

Natural and legal persons engaged in keeping, breeding, and raising of production animals shall inform the authorized governmental authority performing control (supervision) functions in the field of veterinary medicine in compliance with the established competence in cases and following the procedure stipulated by the Government of the Russian Federation of the applied veterinary medications.

Types of veterinary medications, arrangements for their use, information sharing of their use is stipulated by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine.

Article 11. Ensuring veterinary safety in the conveyance of animals (transportation) and animals drive

1. Under the conveyance of animals (transportation), including their loading into (unloading from) vehicles, natural and legal persons carrying out conveyance (transportation) shall observe veterinary regulations established for conveyance (transportation) with various transportation means.

2. Veterinary regulations for the conveyance of animals (transportation) provide for mandatory procedures and requirements for:

- 1) allowed methods of conveyance of animals (transportation) with various transportation means;
 - 2) conditions of animals' loading (unloading), conveyance (transportation), and records keeping;
 - 3) equipment to convey (transport) animals and condition of vehicles;
 - 4) care for animals, their feeding and watering during transportation;
 - 5) compelled slaughter exercising procedure;
 - 6) measures in case of mortality in the course of conveyance (transportation);
 - 7) veterinary examination, execution and issuance of veterinary certificates, the procedure and cases for conducting laboratory testing;
 - 8) the conveyance of animals (transportation) for the purposes not connected with business activities.
3. Veterinary regulations at production animals driving, including agricultural animals, provide for the following mandatory procedures and requirements for natural and legal persons:
- 1) animals drive procedure;
 - 2) maximum distance allowed for animals driving considering animal species subject to driving, terrain features and environmental conditions;
 - 3) animals driving route;
 - 4) care for animals, their feeding and watering in the course of drive;
 - 5) the procedure for compelled slaughter during driving;
 - 6) measures in case mortality and diseased animal identification.

Article 12. Ensuring veterinary safety at distant-pasture cattle tending

1. Territories used by natural and legal persons for distant-pasture cattle tending must be safe in respect of veterinary medicine.
2. Veterinary regulations at distant-pasture cattle tending provide for mandatory procedures and requirements for:
 - 1) the land plots, keeping, feeding, watering, and production facilities placement on them;
 - 2) the measures to prevent, diagnose, and treat production animal diseases, including animals used in agriculture, as well as to veterinary examination, execution and issuance of veterinary certificates, procedure and cases to perform laboratory testing;
 - 3) the measures in case of diseased production animals identification, including those used in agriculture;
 - 4) the procedure to perform compelled slaughter of production animals, including those used in agriculture;
 - 5) the conditions of regulated goods receipt, storage, conveyance (transportation), processing, and distribution;
 - 6) the measures in case of production animals mortality, including those used in agriculture;
 - 7) the measures in case of unregulated animals migration along the border territory of the Russian Federation and neighboring states.

Article 13. Ensuring veterinary safety during animal sales

1. Animal sales, including sales at agricultural and retail markets, shall be done with veterinary certificates available, executed and/or issued based on veterinary examination results, and in the cases provided for by veterinary regulations, laboratory test results.
2. In case of detection of contagious animal diseases during veterinary examination, and in case veterinary certificates for them are unavailable, the animals shall be isolated by their owner, and the said

information shall be passed by the veterinary specialists examining the animals to officers of the state authorities responsible for performing control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine.

The decision with respect to further use of animals is done following veterinary regulations based on the results of the veterinary examination done and required laboratory tests performed.

3. Veterinary regulations on animal sales provide for mandatory procedures and requirements for:

1) the conveyance of animals (transportation) and drive conditions to perform veterinary examination, execution and issuance of veterinary certificates, and animal sales;

2) veterinary examination performance, execution and issuance of veterinary certificates, procedure and cases to carry out laboratory tests, information submission regarding animals records keeping;

3) premises and equipment, and locations to sale animals;

4) measures in case of mortality, as well as detection of diseased animals and their isolation;

5) quarantining and animal epidemic measures.

Article 14. Ensuring veterinary safety during slaughtering

1. Slaughtering is allowed for production animals originating from safe production facilities in respect of veterinary medicine, which have passed veterinary examination and pre-slaughter holding.

Production animals slaughtering is done at specially designated locations.

Production animals with clinical signs of disease identified in the course of pre-slaughter veterinary examination, and animals with no documents confirming their veterinary safety available, are placed to the quarantine section of the pre-slaughter handling facility.

The decision with respect to further actions (measures) regarding animals in the quarantine section is made by a veterinary expert following veterinary regulations based on the results of veterinary examination done and, if necessary, laboratory test results.

2. Requirements for animals slaughter are established by veterinary regulations.

3. Slaughter shall be done in humane ways.

4. Veterinary regulations for slaughter provide for mandatory procedures and requirements for:

1) slaughtering procedure for various animal species, veterinary examination and pre-slaughter holding;

2) buildings and structures intended for slaughter, except for wild animals, and equipment, including diseased animal slaughter houses;

3) intervals and ways to perform veterinary review of industrial sites intended for slaughter, as well as procedure and cases to perform activities in disinfection, disinsectization, and deratization;

4) slaughtering methods, equipment, and mechanisms used for slaughter;

5) measures to be done in case of diseased animals identification and compelled slaughter;

6) slaughter of sick animals or animals suspected to be diseased;

7) animals slaughter in diseased animal slaughter houses and slaughter products processing;

8) the ways to process and treat carcasses, offal, other slaughter items, and their veterinary and sanitary examination;

9) the procedure and cases to carry out laboratory tests in case of animal diseases or mortality in the pre-slaughter holding period;

10) additional laboratory tests performance to find out certain animal diseases.

Article 15. Ensuring veterinary safety at regulated goods production and distribution

1. Regulated goods shall be produced at safe production facilities in regard of veterinary medicine.
2. Regulated goods intended for distribution are subject to veterinary certification.
3. Regulated goods processing arrangement is done by the owner, and it is prohibited to sell these goods to third persons prior to their processing.
4. Veterinary regulations at regulated goods production and distribution stipulate mandatory procedures and requirements for:
 - 1) production facilities and equipment used to produce, distribute, and destroy regulated goods, and the procedure and cases to perform disinfection, disinsectization, and deratization;
 - 2) regulated goods production, distribution, and destruction processes, along with conditions of their usage;
 - 3) veterinary and sanitary examination performance, execution and issuance of veterinary certificates, and cases to carry out laboratory tests;
 - 4) conditions of use, methods and modes to decontaminate, dispose and destroy regulated goods inconsistent with veterinary and sanitary requirements;
 - 5) equipment of premises intended to process regulated goods subject to nonfood processing;
 - 6) regulated goods conveyance (transportation) conditions and ways, and vehicles used for transportation;
 - 7) veterinary and sanitary examination, slaughter products veterinary stamping and their veterinary certification.

Article 16. Ensuring veterinary safety of regulated goods received from wild animals hunting and taking (catching)

1. Regulated goods obtained from wild animals hunting and taking (catching) intended for sale shall be subject to veterinary and sanitary examination, and in cases provided for by veterinary regulations, to laboratory tests.
2. Veterinary regulations on processing and distribution of regulated goods obtained from wild animals hunting and taking (catching) provide for mandatory procedures and requirements for:
 - 1) the procedure for decontamination and further utilization of regulated goods obtained from wild animals hunting and taking (catching) regarding diseased animals or animals suspected for contagious disease, including the procedure and ways of dressing locations sanitation;
 - 2) conditions to acknowledge regulated goods obtained from wild animals taking (hunting) suitable for food, nonfood purposes or subject to disposal or destruction;
 - 3) veterinary and sanitary examination performance, execution and issuance of veterinary certificates, and cases to carry out laboratory tests;
 - 4) veterinary preventive measures and preventive actions to be taken to protect wild animals from diseases.
3. Veterinary regulations used to obtain, process, and distribute regulated goods obtained from wild animals hunting and taking (catching) are subject to approval of the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine in coordination with the authorized federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of protection and exploitation of fauna and the habitats thereof.

Article 17. Ensuring veterinary safety upon non-manufactured foodstuff production and distribution

1. Sales intended non-manufactured foodstuff must satisfy the requirements established by veterinary regulations and is subject to veterinary and sanitary examination.

2. Veterinary regulations on non-manufactured foodstuff production and distribution establish mandatory procedures and requirements for:

1) non-manufactured animal origin foodstuff production and distribution, and conditions of usage of such products for food and non-food purposes, their disposal and destruction;

2) methods and modes of non-manufactured foodstuff decontamination and processing acknowledged as usable for nonfood purposes;

3) veterinary and sanitary examination, veterinary and sanitary examination labs at agricultural and other retail markets;

4) non-manufactured animal origin foodstuff sales at agricultural and other retail markets, as well as other places intended for their sales.

3. Non-manufactured plant origin foodstuff prior to its sales at agricultural and other retail markets, as well as other points of sale intended for it, is subject to veterinary and sanitary examination lab tests of the named markets.

Article 18. Ensuring veterinary safety during distribution of regulated products intended for nonfood utilization

1. Distribution of regulated products intended for nonfood usage, including feed purposes, and for manufacturing medicinal, hygiene, cosmetic, and perfumery products and materials shall be done following veterinary certification of the named products based on veterinary and sanitary examination results.

2. Veterinary regulations at regulated products distribution intended for nonfood usage provide for mandatory procedures and requirements for:

1) production sites where such regulated products are manufactured, and equipment to produce and process them;

2) collection, manufacture, and distribution processes for regulated products intended for nonfood usage;

3) procedure for decontamination and further usage of regulated goods obtained from diseased animals or animals suspected for contagious diseases;

4) veterinary and sanitary examination performance, cases and procedure to carry out laboratory tests of regulated products intended for nonfood usage;

5) conditions to acknowledge regulated goods suitable for nonfood usage;

6) conditions of decontamination and further use or destruction of products obtained from diseased animals or animals suspected for contagious diseases;

7) conditions to acknowledge regulated products partially suitable, subject to processing for nonfood purposes or destruction.

Article 19. Ensuring veterinary safety during biological waste distribution and destruction

1. Biological waste (spoils, aborted and dead-born animal fetuses, regulated products acknowledged as subject to disposal or destruction, as well as biological material residues not intended for further examination, veterinary confiscates, other residues obtained at food and nonfood raw material processing along with farm animal waste) are allowed for distribution only following the results of veterinary and sanitary examination confirming their veterinary safety, except for farm animal waste.

2. Veterinary regulations at biological waste distribution provide mandatory procedures and requirements for:

- 1) biological waste disposal processes;
- 2) status of special purpose furnaces, earth trenches (pits), biothermal pits and burial sites for animal refuse and territories adjacent to them;
- 3) biothermal pits reconstruction and rehabilitation methods;
- 4) ways, conditions, and sites of biological waste collection, equipment and fixtures used for this purpose;
- 5) biological waste conveyance (transportation) ways and equipment and vehicles used for this purpose;
- 6) veterinary and sanitary examination performance, and procedure and cases to carry out laboratory tests;
- 7) the procedure to decontaminate biological waste and the sites where it was revealed;
- 8) the procedure to collect, store, dispose, and destroy biological waste, and transportation means used for biological waste conveyance (transportation);
- 9) biological waste disposal and destruction sites, their registers keeping;
- 10) cases to send animal waste for laboratory tests and characteristics subject to testing.

3. The owner of the land plot where an earth trench (pit), biothermal pit, or burial site for animal refuse is located is entitled to surrender legal title for the portion of the land plot where these sites are situated in favor of third persons observing legislation of the Russian Federation.

Therewith, new land plot is formed taking into account the area required to provide veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) safety of earth trench (pit), biothermal pit or burial site for animal refuse. The owner of an earth trench (pit), biothermal pit or burial site for animal refuse is fixed with costs in connection with such new land plot formation provided such land plot portion title is transferred to a Russian Federation national, otherwise it is done by agreement of the parties.

In case the owner surrendered legal title for the earth trench (pit), biothermal pit or burial site for animal refuse being in his/her ownership, the owner is liable for ensuring veterinary safety of the earth trench (pit), biothermal pit or burial site for animal refuse until the title for it is transferred to the other person.

In case the title holder alienates the earth trench (pit), biothermal pit or burial site for animal refuse in favor of a Russian Federation constituent entity transferring it to the ownership of the Russian Federation constituent entity, simultaneously the owner of the earth trench (pit), biothermal pit or burial site for animal refuse pays to the Russian Federation constituent entity's budget monetary means to reimburse the expenses incurred by the Russian Federation constituent entity in connection with fulfillment of obligations to ensure veterinary safety of the named earth trench (pit), biothermal pit or burial site for animal refuse in the future period of three years.

The amount of expenses incurred by the Russian Federation constituent entity subject to reimbursement in connection with fulfillment of obligations to provide veterinary safety of the earth trench (pit), biothermal pit or burial site for animal refuse is estimated based on regulatory standards for financial expenses for the said purposes calculated per calendar year using techniques approved by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine.

The Russian Federation constituent entity is not allowed to refuse to take ownership for the earth trench (pit), biothermal pit or burial site for animal refuse provided that monetary means to reimburse expenses in connection with fulfillment of obligations to ensure veterinary safety of the earth trench (pit), biothermal pit or burial site for animal refuse estimated based on Russian Federation constituent entity's calculations were paid to the Russian Federation constituent entity's budget.

Veterinary safety of an earth trench (pit), biothermal pit or burial site for animal refuse located on a land plot whose owner is unknown shall be ensured by governmental authorities of Russian Federation constituent entities following the procedure provided for by Russian Federation constituent entity's legislation and the requirements of this Federal law and veterinary regulations adopted in compliance with it.

Reopened, operating, and closed animal burial sites, biothermal pits, and earth trenches (pits) are subject to registration and records keeping by Russian Federation governmental authorities operating in the field of veterinary medicine in compliance with the established competence.

Biological waste destruction sites recording procedure is subject to approval by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine.

4. In case of contagious diseases spread threat, including one resulted from breach of veterinary regulations for an earth trench (pit), biothermal pit or burial site for animal refuse operation or in other cases, the owner of the land plot where the earth trench (pit), biothermal pit or burial site for animal refuse is situated must immediately inform the state agencies authorized to perform functions of state control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine and functions to perform federal state sanitary and epidemiology supervision in compliance with established competence of the fact.

Article 20. Ensuring veterinary and sanitary safety during feed and feed additives production and distribution

1. Only feed and feed additives that are safe in respect of veterinary medicine and sanitary are allowed for distribution in the territory of the Russian Federation.

Feed and feed additives are subject to veterinary certification except for cases provided for by Article 29 of this Federal law.

2. Distribution of feed and feed additives containing genetically modified organisms whose lines are not registered is not allowed in the territory of the Russian Federation. State registration of genetically modified organism lines used for feed and feed additives production is done by the authorized federal executive authority following the procedure provided for by the Government of the Russian Federation.

3. The federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine defines the list of feed additives allowed for circulation in the territory of the Russian Federation without their state registration provided their registration data is available in the Registry and their re-registration is not required.

Data regarding registered feed additives along with feed additives, which can be allowed for circulation in the territory of the Russian Federation without their state registration shall be entered into State Registry of feed additives.

Feed additives registration and the State Registry of feed additives of the Registry of medicines registered for veterinary use keeping is done by the state executive authority carrying out state control (supervision) functions in the field of veterinary medicine.

For the distribution of feed additives registered following the established procedure in the territory of the Russian Federation, documents certifying their state registration are not required.

4. The federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine establishes:

1) the procedure for feed additives state registration, the form of their Registry and procedure to keep it, and the procedure for data submission extracted from it;

- 2) requirements for feed additives safety characteristics used for compliance testing during examination at state registration;
- 3) the list of registration tests necessary and sufficient to determine feed additives safety;
- 4) State Registry of feed additives keeping procedure.
5. Veterinary regulations for feed and feed additives production and circulation provide for mandatory procedure and requirements for:
 - 1) the territories to grow, collect, and procure components of feed and feed additives;
 - 2) production sites and equipment used to produce and store feed and feed additives;
 - 3) transportation vehicles and equipment used for feed and feed additives conveyance (transportation) (except for feed and feed additives packed in consumer packaging (packing));
 - 4) cases to perform laboratory testing of feed, feed additives, and their components;
 - 5) procedure to destroy feed and feed additives failed to conform with veterinary regulations.

Article 21. Requirements for distribution of veterinary medications and veterinary medical products

1. Veterinary medications distributed in the territory of the Russian Federation must satisfy the requirements to their safety, quality and effectiveness stipulated by the legislation of the Russian Federation, unless otherwise provided for by the acts constituting the law of the Eurasian Economic Union.

Production, manufacture, registration, sales and other activities in the field of veterinary medications distribution are done following the Federal law № 61-FZ dated April 12, 2010 “On drug circulation”, unless otherwise provided for by the acts constituting the law of the Eurasian Economic Union.

2. Veterinary medications are subject to registration in the federal executive authority carrying out state control (supervision) functions in the field of veterinary medicine.

Veterinary medications are state registered based on the results of their expertise.

Veterinary medications state registration procedure, including their examination, along with the list of documents to be submitted for registration purposes is established by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine, unless otherwise provided for by the acts constituting the law of the Eurasian Economic Union.

3. The following cases can constitute the reason to reject veterinary medications state registration:

- 1) veterinary medications quality and safety fail to meet the Russian Federation legislation requirements;
- 2) effective measures are not available or cannot be provided to prevent harmful effect of veterinary medications on animals health and habitats thereof at veterinary medications manufacture, distribution, and use.

4. Veterinary regulations for veterinary medications distribution provide for mandatory procedure and requirements for:

- 1) buildings and structures aimed to manufacture veterinary medications and conditions of their production;
- 2) procedures to control veterinary medications compliance with established requirements;
- 3) veterinary medications storage, conveyance (transportation), usage, sales, disposal, and destruction conditions.

Article 22. Veterinary regulations on performing preventive, diagnostic, remedial, restrictive, another actions and quarantining

1. Veterinary regulations on performing preventive, diagnostic, remedial, restrictive, and other actions and quarantining establish mandatory procedures and requirements for:

1) mandatory prevention, diagnostic, remedial, and other actions, including those for disinfection, deratization, disinsectization, and destruction of mites and mandatory notification of Russian Federation state authorities operating in the field of veterinary medicine in case of animal contagious diseases occurrence;

2) restrictive measures and/or quarantine establishment;

3) organization and conduct of measures to eradicate contagious diseases of animals, prevent their occurrence, distribution and extirpate them in the territory of the Russian Federation;

4) determination of the borders of the territory that shall be covered by restrictive measures and/or quarantine, including specifically pertaining to determine the nidus of an animal contagious disease, types of troublesome areas to differentiate restrictions being established by the decree on restrictive measures and/or quarantine introduction;

5) diseased animals isolation, compelled slaughter of diseased animals, regulated products and biologic waste destruction;

6) protective devices use in disinfection activities done by people being in the niduses of highly dangerous animal diseases;

7) features of application of restrictions for animals, regulated products, and biologic waste distribution in the quarantine area depending on the type of the contagious disease of animals being the reason for restrictive measures and/or quarantine;

8) disinfection, deratization, disinsectization and destruction of mites activities performed at production sites located in the quarantine area, maintaining there conditions ensuring non-spread of animal contagious diseases;

9) equipment of the production sites to locate animals for the period of quarantine measures and/or their further keeping;

10) data submission with regards to the preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic, and other measures taken.

Article 23. State registration of production facilities

In the cases provided for by technical regulations, a participant of economic activity has the right to perform foodstuff production (manufacture) processes in the Customs Union customs territory only following state registration of the production facilities where the named production (manufacture) processes are performed.

State registration of production facilities is done in compliance with technical regulations imposing the requirements for veterinary safety of regulated goods.

Article 24. Notification on the beginning of performing specific activities in the field of veterinary medicine

Legal entities and private entrepreneurs performing activities in biological waste circulation and destruction shall notify the state executive authority carrying out state control (supervision) functions in the field of veterinary medicine on such activities beginning in compliance with the established competence at their operations location.

The procedure of notifications to be done by legal entities and private entrepreneurs named in the first sub-paragraph of this Article, including the comprehensive list of data to be submitted is

established by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine in compliance with the provisions of the Federal law № 294-FZ dated December 26, 2008 "On legal entities' and private entrepreneurs' rights protection while state control (supervision) and municipal control exercising".

Chapter 4. Recording and information support in the field of veterinary medicine

Article 25. Regulated goods, supervised sites and biological waste data recording

1. Regulated goods, supervised sites and biological waste data recording is carried out in order to:

- 1) determine possible ways of regulated goods use;
- 2) prevent animal contagious diseases spread;
- 3) reveal sources and channels of spread of contagious diseases agents along with veterinary dangerous products of animal origin;
- 4) timely take preventive veterinary and sanitary measures at supervised industrial sites in case of occurrence and spread of animal diseases, manufacture and circulation of animal origin products dangerous in respect of veterinary medicine;
- 5) ensure traceability in regulated goods manufacture and distribution.

2. Data recording with regards to regulated goods, supervised sites, and biological waste is done by veterinary specialists, veterinary experts, and officers of the state authorities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine in compliance with the established competence.

Animal owners shall submit information with regards to animals subject to recording to the state authorities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine in compliance with the established competence.

3. Following the procedure stipulated by the Federal state information system in the field of veterinary medicine, animal owners have the right to enter animal data to the federal state information system in the field of veterinary medicine independently.

Before the federal state information system in the field of veterinary medicine is implemented, production animals recording is done by officers of the state bodies of Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine in compliance with the established competence based on the data submitted by animal owners following the established procedure.

4. Data recording with respect to animals, regulated goods, supervised sites, and biological waste is done through collection and systematization of information on:

- 1) animals, their tagging, diseases, veterinary medications used in therapy and medicinal products for veterinary use;
- 2) veterinary certification of regulated goods;
- 3) results of laboratory tests in the field of veterinary medicine;
- 4) animal epidemic measures;
- 5) sites involved in regulated goods manufacture and distribution;

5. The following animals are required to undergo registration:

- 1) animals kept at industrial sites (farms) and by individuals;
- 2) animals imported to the Russian Federation from overseas, except for those imported for transit purposes.

6. Types of recording, species of animals and production sites subject to recording, and procedures to perform recording are approved by the Government of the Russian Federation.

Article 26. Federal state information system in the field of veterinary medicine

1. Information and analysis system in the field of veterinary medicine (hereinafter referred to as “the System”) is a federal state information system providing:

information support of methodological and organizational guidelines in the field of veterinary medicine carried out by federal state bodies of the Russian Federation, executive authorities of the Russian Federation constituent entities, and organizations and local authorities reportable to the named state authorities along with legal entities and private entrepreneurs carrying out activities in the field of veterinary medicine;

state services in the field of veterinary medicine, including those in electronic form, for legal and natural persons and private entrepreneurs.

2. Arrangement and maintenance of the System and other state information systems in the field of veterinary medicine containing information required to keep the System is correspondingly done by the federal executive agency performing state control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine, federal state authorities of the Russian Federation and executive bodies of Russian Federation constituent entities in the field of veterinary medicine.

The system formation and keeping procedure (including the list of bodies and organizations being operators of the System and other state information systems in the field of veterinary medicine containing data required to keep the System, the list of data contained in the named information systems, the list of bodies and organizations entitled to enter the data to the named information systems, the procedure for processing such data in the named information systems, the procedure for ensuring safety of these data when processing in the named information systems, the data storage period, the procedure for ensuring above named information systems interaction) is established by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine.

3. In System creation and keeping personal data protection shall be ensured in compliance with the requirements of Russian Federation legislation.

Data placed in the system is generally accessible except for the information, to which access is restricted by Federal laws (non-accessible to public).

Access to the data non-accessible to public as well as data submission in electronic form to a System operator in cases provided for in the first sub-paragraph of the part 5 of this Article, is provided for based on an integrated system of identification and authentication (hereinafter referred to as ISIA).

Information constituting personal data subject to registration in the System is entered considering the requirements of the legislation of the Russian Federation.

4. The System must include data contained in the registries provided for by this Federal law and provide for processing of the following statistic and other documented data, containing information on:

- 1) animals recording;
- 2) veterinary examination of animals;
- 3) veterinary and sanitary examination of regulated goods;
- 4) veterinary certification of animals;
- 5) veterinary certification of regulated goods;
- 6) notification on the beginning of performing certain types of activities in the field of veterinary medicine with a required data list;
- 7) veterinary specialists and veterinary experts;
- 8) supervised sites;
- 9) epizootological, genetic monitoring and veterinary safety monitoring of regulated goods;
- 10) cases of suspicion for contagious disease;
- 11) cases of animal contagious diseases detection and extirpation;

12) the place and time where an animal contagious disease nidus was revealed, the nature of the disease, the date of restrictive measures and/or quarantine implementation, restrictive measures and/or quarantine procedure, period or conditions of derestriction and/or quarantine release;

13) veterinary medications and veterinary medical products;

14) preventive, diagnostic and remedial actions taken with regards to animal contagious diseases;

15) permits and restrictions to import regulated goods into the Russian Federation, export them from the Russian Federation, and their transit through the Russian Federation;

16) permits and restrictions to import animals or feed into the territory of a Russian Federation constituent entity issued by executive bodies of the Russian Federation constituent entity in the field of veterinary medicine, depending on epizootic welfare of the territory they are imported from;

17) decrees of officers of the authorized federal executive bodies carrying out control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine based on the results of the state veterinary control (supervision), including those made at the state boarder of the Russian Federation checkpoints with regards to extremely dangerous animal diseases and dangerous regulated goods;

18) information of the state authorities in the field of veterinary medicine presented to work out the national animal epidemic measures plan;

19) national plan shaping;

20) the results of animal epidemic situation analysis in foreign countries and risks connected with regulated goods import to the Russian Federation from the foreign countries;

21) restrictions implementation for the import of regulated goods into the Russian Federation and their transit through the Russian Federation and their release;

22) production sites survey results;

23) list of laboratory tests conducted by laboratories (test centers) that passed state accreditation;

24) examination of samples (specimens), which may be made without submission to accredited laboratories (testing centers);

25) contagious diseases subject to mandatory notification;

26) biological waste disposal facilities.

5. Private entrepreneurs, organizations under the jurisdiction of authorized public authorities of the Russian Federation, and legal entities carrying out veterinary activities are obliged to provide at no charge an operator of the System with information, including one in electronic form, necessary for its operation, which is specified in paragraph 4 of this article via the ISIA, if the information is not publicly available.

5. Legal entities and private entrepreneurs carrying out veterinary activities are obliged to provide at no charge an operator of the System with information, including one in electronic form, necessary for its operation, which is specified in paragraph 4 of this article via the ISIA, if access to the information is limited by federal laws.

The list of legal entities and private entrepreneurs carrying out veterinary activities, who are obliged to provide such information, and the list of the data to be provided by them to an operator of the System is determined by the federal executive authority responsible for formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine.

The federal state authorities of the Russian Federation and executive authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation shall provide information by granting access to the relevant state information resources and state information systems of the mentioned bodies containing required information, via the infrastructure providing information and technological interaction of the information systems used for providing state and municipal electronic services.

Legal entities carrying out veterinary activities shall provide the information via appropriate federal state authorities of the Russian Federation or executive authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation.

The authorized executive federal authority responsible for the state control (supervision) in the field of veterinary shall register production facilities used for keeping, breeding, cultivation, and distribution of animals; production, processing, storage and distribution of regulated products located in the territory of foreign countries and the Russian Federation, and keep a State register of feed supplements, a register of lines of genetically modified organisms used in the process of manufacturing of feed and feed supplements.

The Government of the Russian Federation determines the procedure for keeping the registers, the forms of registers of production facilities (farms) located in the territory of foreign countries and the Russian Federation, and the procedure for the provision of information from them.

6. Holders of the information mentioned in paragraph 4 of this article shall ensure completeness, authenticity, relevance, and timeliness of its free of charge provision for the System.

7. Via the System with the use of the official web-site determined by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine, access shall be provided to public information on:

contagious animal diseases subject to mandatory notification;

epizootic situation in the territory of the Russian Federation;

the register of production facilities authorized to supply animals and regulated products to foreign countries;

the register of production facilities located in foreign countries authorized to supply animals and regulated products to the Russian Federation;

decisions to impose restrictions on importation of regulated products to the Russian Federation;

animal health status of production facilities (farms) defined through compartmentalization;

introduction and cancellation of restrictive measures and/or quarantine;

use of veterinary medications and veterinary medical products;

examination of samples (specimens), which may be made without submission to accredited laboratories (testing centers).

8. Information mentioned in paragraph 7 of this article is provided free of charge.

9. The Government of the Russian Federation determines the requirements to the System and the procedure of its creation and operation.

Chapter 5. Veterinary, veterinary and sanitary examination and laboratory examination in the field of veterinary medicine

Article 27. Veterinary examination

1. The purpose of veterinary examination is to evaluate animal health against mandatory procedures and requirements on veterinary safety.

Veterinary examination is carried out in case of:

1) veterinary certification;

2) implementing measures of state veterinary control (supervision);

3) registration of animals;

4) inspection of production facilities located in the territory of the Russian Federation for compliance with veterinary requirements of a country or a group of countries where the animals from the mentioned production facilities are imported;

5) inspection of production facilities located in the territory of foreign countries and producing animals or regulated products imported to the Russian Federation for their compliance with veterinary requirements in force in the Russian Federation;

6) by request of owners of animals.

2. Forms of veterinary examination are:

1) clinical examination of animals;

2) preslaughter veterinary inspection of animals;

3) examination of samples (specimens) of biological materials from animals;

4) examination of production facilities used for keeping, culturing, breeding, conveyance (transportation), drive, sale, and slaughter of animals.

3. In cases provided by this Federal law or veterinary rules approved in accordance with it, veterinary examination includes collection of samples (specimens) of biological materials from animals for carrying out laboratory tests in the laboratories (testing centers) accredited by the state pursuant to article 32 of this Federal law.

If in case of carrying out veterinary examination information is lacking on the origin of an animal, laboratory tests are mandatory.

The list of samples (specimens) of biological materials from animals that may be examined without submission to accredited laboratories (testing centers) is approved by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine.

4. Results of veterinary examination are documented with a veterinary certificate and a conclusion including the results of tests (protocol, examination) provided for by this Federal law and veterinary rules approved according to it.

The procedure and methods of veterinary examination and the procedure of documentation of its results are stipulated by federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine.

5. Veterinary examination shall be paid for with the exception of veterinary examination in the process of state veterinary control (supervision).

6. The procedure for registration and documentation of veterinary examination results of animals intended for sale are stipulated by federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine.

Article 28. Veterinary and sanitary examination

1. Veterinary and sanitary examination is aimed at evaluating against mandatory procedures and requirements on veterinary safety of regulated products and biological wastes, process of obtaining (production) of regulated products, their storage, conveyance (transportation), sale, processing, and destruction, and collection, storage, conveyance (transportation) and destruction of biological wastes.

2. Veterinary and sanitary examination is carried out in case of:

1) veterinary certification;

2) implementing measures of state veterinary control (supervision);

3) inspection of production facilities located in the territory of the Russian Federation for compliance with veterinary requirements of a country or a group of countries where the regulated products produced in the mentioned production facilities are imported;

4) inspection of production facilities located in the territory of foreign countries and producing and/or storing regulated products imported to the Russian Federation for compliance with veterinary

requirements of the Russian Federation, decisions of the Customs Union Commission and the Eurasian Economic Commission;

5) by request of owners of regulated products.

3. Forms of veterinary and sanitary examination are:

1) veterinary inspection of regulated products including post-slaughter examination and veterinary examination of biological wastes;

2) examination of samples (specimens) of regulated products or biological wastes.

4. In cases provided for by this Federal law or veterinary rules approved in accordance with it, veterinary and sanitary examination includes collection of samples (specimens) of regulated products and biological waste and their examination in the laboratories (testing centers) accredited by the state pursuant to article 32 of this Federal law.

If in case of carrying out veterinary and sanitary examination information is lacking on the origin of regulated products or biological waste, laboratory tests are mandatory. Laboratory testing, disposal, and destruction in case of veterinary dangerous regulated products and biological wastes discovered shall be paid up by their owner.

The list of samples (specimens) of regulated products and biological wastes that may be examined without submission to accredited laboratories (testing centers) is approved by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine.

5. Results of veterinary and sanitary examination are documented by drawing up and/or issuing a veterinary certificate and conclusions including the results of tests (protocol, examination) provided for by this Federal law and veterinary rules approved according to it.

The procedure and methods of veterinary and sanitary examination and the procedure of documentation of its results are stipulated by federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine.

6. Veterinary and sanitary examination shall be paid for with the exception of veterinary and sanitary examination in the process of state veterinary control (supervision).

Methodology for the calculation of charges for veterinary and sanitary examination made by a veterinary expert being an employee of a state body is stipulated by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine.

The amount of charge for veterinary and sanitary examination made by a veterinary expert being an employee of a state body of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation, is provided by regulations of the executive authority of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation in accordance with legislation of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation.

Veterinary and sanitary examination in the course of implementing measures of state veterinary control (supervision) is free of charge.

7. The procedure for registration and documentation of veterinary and sanitary examination results of the regulated products for sale in agricultural and other retail markets are stipulated by the federal executive authority authorized by the Government of the Russian Federation.

Article 29. Veterinary certification of regulated goods

1. A batch of regulated goods is subject to veterinary certification, including in case of importation to the customs territory of the Customs Union (with exception of transit through the customs territory of the Customs Union) or exportation from the customs territory of the Customs Union in cases provided for by this Federal law.

Veterinary certificates are issued in forms of hard or electronic copies using the federal state information system or its module at the discretion of the owner of certifiable regulated goods within the transit period before veterinary electronic certification is implementation.

Veterinary certification implies veterinary and/or veterinary and sanitary examination of regulated goods in accordance with this Federal law.

The procedure for execution and issuance of veterinary certificates, forms of veterinary certificates (including electronic forms), and requirements to them are approved by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine. Execution of veterinary certificates is free of charge.

2. Veterinary certification of regulated goods intended for distribution is performed by a veterinary expert upon owner's request or by an authorized official in the course of state veterinary control (supervision).

Veterinary certification is not required in the following cases:

1) conveyance (transportation) by individuals of certain animal species designated for other purposes not relating to economic activity, in cases and in accordance with the list approved by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine;

2) conveyance (transportation) of regulated goods within the territory of one production facility (internal transport operations);

3) conveyance (transportation) and sale of feed and feed supplement prepacked in consumer packaging (wrapping);

4) in other cases provided for by the federal executive authority responsible for formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine.

3. When performing veterinary certification of regulated goods intended for conveyance (transportation), a veterinary expert shall evaluate the conformity of the regulated goods, conditions of their conveyance (transportation), and the vehicle used for conveyance (transportation) to veterinary rules.

In the event of splitting of a batch of regulated goods upon arrival to its destination into smaller batches, new recipients are given copies of veterinary certificates (hard or electronic copies) executed and/or issued by authorized veterinary experts and officials in the place of shipment, which are updated (on the reverse side and/or electronically) with the following records: conformity of regulated goods and the new vehicle to veterinary and sanitary requirements, number of the vehicle, number of loaded regulated goods, name and location of the consignee, date of trans-shipment. These records are certified with the seal and signature of an authorized veterinary expert or an official (electronic digital signature for electronic form).

The original copy of a veterinary certificate (when it is issued as a hard copy) is kept in the organization which split the batch.

In the event of splitting of batches designated for one recipient, the original copy of a veterinary certificate as a hard copy is forwarded with the first or last vehicle.

4. Veterinary certificates for regulated goods imported to the Russian Federation with the exception of those specified in subparagraph 3 of this paragraph are issued in Russian by an official of the federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine on the basis of veterinary certificates issued before by the authorized body of the exporting country, from which regulated goods are exported pursuant to the documents of the Customs Union and Eurasian Economic Community.

Upon importation to the customs territory of the Customs Union of regulated goods with a veterinary certificate issued as a hard copy by the authorized body of the exporting country, an official of the federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine shall enter the records contained in this veterinary certificate to the federal state information system in the field of veterinary medicine to execute an electronic copy of a veterinary certificate.

Regulated goods exported from the Russian Federation outside the territory of member states of the Customs Union are subject to veterinary certification through the execution of a veterinary certificate by an official of the federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine.

Upon request of the authorized body of the country where the regulated goods are exported, a veterinary certificate issued as an electronic copy for the regulated goods exported from the customs territory of the Customs Union may be executed as a hard copy by an official of the federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine.

Regulated goods imported to the Russian Federation from the territory of member states of the Customs Union must have veterinary certificates executed and issued by officials of the authorized authorities of member states of the Customs Union.

Regulated goods transported across the territory of the Russian Federation and imported from the Russian Federation to the territory of member states of the Customs Union must have veterinary certificates issued by an authorized veterinary body or person in accordance with the paragraph 2 of article 5.

5. For specific types of regulated goods, the Government of the Russian Federation and international laws may determine other forms for confirming compliance of these goods with veterinary safety requirements.

To such goods, the requirements of this Federal law as to veterinary and sanitary examination and veterinary certification do not apply.

Article 30. A veterinary expert

1. A veterinary expert being a private entrepreneur or a legal entity where a veterinary expert works are jointly and severally responsible with an owner of the batch of regulated goods subject to veterinary certification for damages to third parties due to unsatisfactory services on veterinary and veterinary and sanitary examination.

2. The procedure for submission by a veterinary expert of information important for ensuring veterinary safety, the list of information to be given, as well as the list of animal diseases of which a veterinary expert has to inform an executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine according to its competence is stipulated by a federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine.

Article 31. Certification of veterinary experts

1. The certification procedure, including the requirements for the qualification exam and certification of competency of veterinary experts, is established in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation.

2. The procedure for inspection of veterinary expert activities is established by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine.

The procedure for inspection of activities of veterinary experts performing their duties in the facilities subordinated to federal executive authorities in the areas of defense, internal affairs, punitive services, state guard, and security is set forth by an authorized federal executive authority.

Article 32. Veterinary laboratory tests

1. Laboratory tests of biological materials taken from animals, regulated goods, and biological wastes are made:

1) for the purposes of preparing conclusion on veterinary and veterinary and sanitary examination;

2) in the course of state veterinary control (supervision);

3) to examine animal health, compliance of regulated goods and biological wastes with the requirements established by veterinary rules as indicated by a veterinary specialist, veterinary expert, or as requested by owners of animals, regulated goods, and biological wastes, or other persons, including within the production control framework;

4) for research purposes;

5) for arbitration purposes.

2. Laboratory tests in the field of veterinary medicine are made by laboratories (testing centers) accredited by the state for such testing according to the legislation of the Russian Federation.

In cases provided for by paragraphs 3 and 4 of part 1 of this article, veterinary laboratory tests are permitted in unaccredited laboratories.

Veterinary laboratory tests shall be paid for with the exception of veterinary laboratory tests in the process of state veterinary control (supervision). A laboratory (testing center) is responsible for quality of tests to the applicant or customer.

3. The consolidated list of laboratory tests made by laboratories accredited by the state (testing centers) and examination of samples (specimens) which may be made without submission to accredited laboratories (testing centers) (hereinafter - the consolidated list) establishing necessary methods and respective terms of the mentioned tests as well as the procedure for laboratory tests recording are stipulated by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine.

Laboratory examination of samples (specimens) subject to certification may not be made in laboratories (testing centers) unaccredited by the state with the exception of veterinary and sanitary examination of retail markets.

4. The results of veterinary laboratory test are subject to recording by accredited veterinary laboratories (testing centers). The results of examination of samples (specimens) or biological materials which may be made without submission to an accredited laboratory are subject to recording by veterinary experts.

Chapter 6. Animal epidemic measures

Article 33. Epizootological and genetic monitoring and veterinary safety monitoring of regulated goods

1. Epizootological and genetic monitoring and veterinary safety monitoring of regulated goods are organized and carried out by state authorities, competent in the field of veterinary medicine and institutions under their control in accordance with established powers.

Organization of epizootological and genetic monitoring and veterinary safety monitoring of regulated goods is provided by a federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine pursuant to the Unified monitoring plans (hereinafter - the Unified

monitoring plans), the procedure for which is established by a federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine.

2. Epizootological and genetic monitoring and veterinary safety monitoring of regulated goods on the facilities subordinated to federal executive authorities in areas of defense, internal affairs, punitive services, state guard, and security are made by veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) services of these authorities in accordance with this article.

3. The procedure for epizootological and genetic monitoring and veterinary safety monitoring of regulated goods and provision of information on the monitoring results as well as the procedure for provision of information on the facilities subordinated to federal executive authorities in areas of defense, internal affairs, punitive services, state guard, and security are established by the Government of the Russian Federation.

4. The purposes of epizootological monitoring are:

1) discovery of ways, methods, and conditions of occurrence and entry of animal contagious diseases, their spread and development;

2) determination of the territory or parts of natural or artificial reservoirs where animal contagious diseases are spread;

3) development of recommendations aimed at preventing the occurrence and/or spread of animal contagious diseases;

4) forecasting epizootological conditions of a territory.

5. Epizootological monitoring may be active and passive. Passive epizootological monitoring is performed by collecting and analyzing:

1) information obtained from activities of veterinary experts and veterinary specialists pursuant to article 5 of this Federal law;

2) information obtained from state veterinary control (supervision);

3) information obtained from laboratory tests;

4) notifications received from international organizations and veterinary services of foreign countries on the discovery of signs (symptoms) of animal contagious diseases in regulated goods and biological wastes exported from the territory of the Customs Union;

5) information on discovery (spread) of niduses of animal contagious diseases, introduction of restrictive measures and/or quarantine, withdrawal of regulated goods;

6) information obtained from implementing other measures concerning animals, whose results are introduced in the federal state information system in the field of veterinary medicine;

7) results of scientific research;

8) results of medical diagnostic examination regarding contagious diseases common for human and animals.

Active epizootological monitoring is carried out in the form of collection and laboratory analysis of samples (specimens) of regulated goods, biological waste, and environmental objects.

Collection of samples (specimens) for active epizootological monitoring is not accompanied by restrictions of production and distribution of regulated goods, whose samples (specimens) are collected.

6. Epizootological monitoring of waters used for fishing of marine biological resources imported into the Russian Federation, or exported from the Russian Federation, and of foreign territories is performed by the federal state authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine.

7. Veterinary safety monitoring of regulated goods is conducted for the purposes of:

1) determination of ways, methods, and conditions of distribution of regulated goods that are dangerous in respect of veterinary medicine;

2) determination of the territory of spread of regulated goods that are dangerous in respect of veterinary medicine.

8. Veterinary safety monitoring of regulated goods is conducted on the basis of:

1) information obtained from activities of veterinary experts and veterinary specialists pursuant to article 5 of this Federal law;

2) information obtained from state veterinary control (supervision);

3) information obtained from laboratory tests;

4) information obtained from international organizations and veterinary services of foreign countries;

5) official information of the Russian Federation;

6) results of scientific research;

7) information obtained from implementing other measures, whose results are introduced in the federal state information system in the field of veterinary medicine.

9. Information obtained from epizootological monitoring and monitoring of veterinary safety of regulated goods on a threat of harm to life and health of individuals and harm to animals constitutes a reason for taking unscheduled measures of state veterinary control (supervision) in the framework of the measures provided for by the Federal Law "On protection of the rights of legal entities and individual entrepreneurs in the implementation of state control (supervision) and municipal control ", as well as implementation of the relevant anti-epizootic and other measures to ensure veterinary safety.

10. The purposes of genetic monitoring are:

1) control over the presence of genetically modified organisms in agricultural products;

2) determination of the territory of spread and quantitative determination of parameters of genetic animal diseases spread;

3) development of recommendations aimed at preventing the occurrence and/or spread of animal genetic diseases;

11. The basis for genetic monitoring includes:

1) information obtained from state veterinary control (supervision);

2) information obtained from laboratory tests;

3) information obtained from international organizations and veterinary services of foreign countries;

4) official information of the Russian Federation;

5) results of scientific research;

6) information obtained from implementing other measures concerning animals, whose results are introduced in the federal state information system in the field of veterinary medicine.

12. Information obtained from genetic monitoring constitutes the basis for:

1) development of plans on elimination of genetic animal diseases and reduction of their spread;

2) organization of the evaluation system of potential risks of using agricultural products obtained with the use of genetically modified organisms or containing such organisms to humans and the environment.

13. Preventive measures against genetic animal diseases are taken for animals bred by means of artificial insemination and include:

1) examination of breeding animals for the presence of known genetic diseases or defective genes causing them peculiar for the given breed, mandatory control of male donors for the presence of diseases or defective genes causing them;

2) termination of use of males who have such diseases as semen donors;

3) termination of use of females who have these diseases or defective genes causing them for the purposes of breeding.

Article 34. Regionalization of the territory of the Russian Federation

1. An authorized federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine on the basis of the data obtained in the course of implementing powers established by Articles 6 and 7 of this Federal Law, determines the status of veterinary welfare of the territories of constituent entities of the Russian Federation, draws up the map of regionalization of the territory of the Russian Federation, and sends information to the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine, which amends to the National animal epidemic measures plan.

2. Pursuant to regionalization of the territory of the Russian Federation, in the territories with veterinary problems, the following measures can be provided for:

1) additional anti-epizootic measures according to the National animal epidemic measures plan;
2) establishment by the veterinary rules provided for in Chapter 3 of this Federal Law of particularities of keeping, breeding, conveyance (transportation), sale, and slaughter of animals, production, processing, conveyance (transportation), storage, and sale of other regulated goods and biological wastes;

3) introduction of certain restrictive measures and/or quarantine in accordance with Article 37 of this Federal Law.

3. The procedure for regionalization of the territory of the Russian Federation including the list of contagious animal diseases, which constitute grounds for regionalization, the procedure for informing legal entities and individuals, state and local authorities on measures of regionalization of the territory of the Russian Federation, the procedure of mapping, update and publication of the regionalization map of the Russian Federation is established by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine.

Article 35. Compartmentalization

1. Compartmentalization is a determination of animal health status of production facilities and is implemented on the basis of powers established by paragraphs 21, 22 of article 6 and paragraph 2 of article 8 of this Federal law.

Compartmentalization is carried out on the basis of results of production facility examination upon request of a legal entity or private entrepreneur who possesses the production facility as a property or on any other legal basis.

Examination of production facilities includes determination of compliance of production processes and the facility with veterinary rules and analysis of the system ensuring welfare of the production facility concerning a contagious animal disease.

Examination of production facilities is carried out by the executive authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine, and of production facilities under the control of the federal executive authorities in areas of defense, internal affairs, punitive services, state guard, and security - by veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) services of the above mentioned federal authorities.

Examination of a production facility is free of charge.

Decisions on giving production facilities animal health status of level 2 are taken by the executive authority of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine,

and of levels 3 and 4 - by a federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine,

Decisions on giving production facilities animal health status relating to facilities of federal executive authorities in areas of defense, internal affairs, punitive services, and state guard are made by veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) services of the respective authorities.

2. According to the results of examination of a production facility, its owner is given a conclusion on the examination of the facility in accordance with the rules approved by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine.

With respect to the production facility undergone the compartmentalization procedure, restrictions imposed by restrictive measures and/or the quarantine do not apply in part or in full, depending on the level of protection established in accordance with veterinary rules and regulations of compartmentalization approved by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine.

The results of compartmentalization of production facilities are registered by the authorized state authorities in the field of veterinary responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary in accordance with the established competence to assess risks in the event of outbreaks of animal diseases and making decisions on the introduction of restrictive measures and/or quarantine.

The results of production facility examination may be appealed to court.

Upon request of a legal entity or individual entrepreneur who has the title or other legal basis for ownership of the respective production facility, the production facility undergone the compartmentalization procedure may be subjected to the repeated procedure in order to re-assign it a compartment with a higher level of security.

3. If as a result of a scheduled or unscheduled inspection of a production facility in the course of state veterinary control (supervision), violations of the requirements specified in the veterinary rules of compartmentalization are found, which prevent the production facility from being assigned the compartment which was assigned before, by a decision of a public authority exercising functions of control (supervision) in the field of veterinary in accordance with the established authority, the results of compartmentalization of the production facility shall be canceled and the production facility shall be considered assigned a compartment with a lower level of security. After elimination of the identified deficiencies upon declaration of the legal entity or individual entrepreneur possessing the respective production facility by right of ownership or on other legal basis, the procedure of compartmentalization can be performed again.

4. Compartmentalization is performed on the basis of analysis of security of production of facilities against carrying (entry) of contagious diseases animal agents in accordance with compartmentalization rules.

Article 36. The National animal epidemic measures plan and other measures aimed at preventing and extirpating animal diseases

1. Anti-epizootic measures are made according to the National animal epidemic measures plan (hereinafter - National plan).

The National plan is drawn up for one calendar year and approved by a federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine by agreement with the federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine no later than December 1th of the year preceding the year of its implementation, and is binding for state authorities, individuals, and legal entities.

Veterinary medications and veterinary medical products necessary for the activities provided for in the National Plan are supplied at the expense of the federal budget. The National plan may not provide for measures that are not associated with the use of veterinary medications and veterinary medical products supplied at the expense of the federal budget.

2. The National plan determines:

- 1) the list of contagious animal diseases including justification of measures for each animal disease against which they are implemented, taking into account regionalization;
- 2) the species and number of animals, for which the antiepidemiological activities are carried out;
- 3) the terms of measures requiring the use of veterinary medications and veterinary medical products;
- 4) the list of veterinary medications and veterinary medical products used for the measures and their quantity for each constituent entity of the Russian Federation;
- 5) the method and results of calculation of quantities of veterinary medications and veterinary medical products;
- 6) the procedure, form, and terms of accounting submission on implemented antiepidemiological measures.

3. The National plan is drawn up based on proposals of state authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation and federal executive authorities in areas of defense, internal affairs, punitive services, state guard, and security submitted to the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulations in the field of veterinary medicine no later than September 1 of the year preceding the year of its implementation.

Proposals on the National plan are executed in accordance with the procedure approved by the federal executive authority exercising functions in State policy formulation and legal and regulatory functions in the field of veterinary medicine.

4. Anti-epidemiological measures specified in the National Plan are carried out by the executive authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine and by veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) services of the federal executive authorities in the field of defense, domestic affairs, punitive services, state guard, and security in accordance with the list of contagious diseases approved by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine.

5. In case of change of the epidemiological situation, the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine makes appropriate amendments and modifications to the National Plan.

6. Other measures aimed at preventing and extirpating contagious animal diseases not covered by the National Plan are carried out by the executive authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine at their own discretion using the funds from budgets of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation, except for the funds transferred from the federal budget of the Russian Federation to the budget of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation for specific purposes; veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) services of the federal executive authorities in the field of defense, domestic affairs, punitive services, state guard, and security carry out above mentioned measures using the funds of their respective budgets.

7. The procedure for reporting on activities aimed at the diagnosis, prevention, and extirpation of contagious animal diseases, activities specified in paragraph 6 of this Article, within the territories of constituent entities of the Russian Federation and sites under the jurisdiction of the federal executive authorities in the field of defense, domestic affairs, punitive services, state guard, and security, is

developed by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine.

Article 37. Imposition of restrictive measures and/or quarantine in case of occurrence of niduses of contagious animal diseases

1. In the case of risk of occurrence and spread of contagious animal diseases within the territory of the Russian Federation, the federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine can impose restrictive measures and/or quarantine.

The decision to impose restrictive measures and/or quarantine within the territory of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation is adopted by the federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine upon the recommendation of the Chief State Veterinary Inspector of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation to impose restrictive measures and/or quarantine not later than 24 hours upon the submission of this suggestion, unless otherwise provided by veterinary rules on animal diseases, taking into account the diagnosis determined in accordance with the these rules.

This decision remains in force until it is canceled by the federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine.

The decision to impose restrictive measures and/or quarantine must include a list of restrictions on the production and distribution of animals and regulated goods, as well as distribution of biological waste, and the effective period of such restrictive measures and/or quarantine in accordance with veterinary rules on contagious animal disease control.

With restrictive measures and/or quarantine within the territory of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation being imposed, the highest official of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation (head of the highest executive authority of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation) ensures the implementation of special measures required for extirpation of the niduses of a contagious animal disease and prevention of its spread in accordance with laws and regulations of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine.

The authorized federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine exercises control over the implementation of special measures required for extirpation of the niduses of a contagious animal disease and prevention of its spread within the territory of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation in accordance with laws and regulations of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine.

The decision to impose restrictive measures and/or quarantine on the sites, which are under the jurisdiction of the federal executive authorities in the field of defense, domestic affairs, punitive services, state guard, and security, is adopted by the heads of these authorities upon the recommendation of the heads of veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) services of these federal executive authorities.

Details of the decision must be published in the media to inform the public in the manner and within the timescale established by the authorized federal executive authority.

A copy of the decision to impose restrictive measures and/or quarantine on the sites, which are under the jurisdiction of the federal executive authorities in the field of defense, domestic affairs, punitive services, state guard, and security, shall be submitted within one day after its adoption to the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine, to the federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine, and to the executive authority of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine, within the territory of which this site is located.

With restrictive measures and/or quarantine on the sites, which are under the jurisdiction of the federal executive authorities in the field of defense, domestic affairs, punitive services, state guard, and security being imposed, the measures aimed at the extirpation of contagious animal diseases and prevention of their spread, as well as diagnostic and therapeutic measures, are carried out by veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) services of these federal executive authorities in collaboration with the executive authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine in accordance with the provisions of this Article and in the manner established by the federal executive authority responsible for formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine.

2. Restrictions on the production and distribution of regulated goods, distribution of biological waste, and their disposal in the quarantine zone specified in the decision, depending on the degree of risk include:

1) prohibition of carrying of animals, regulated goods, and biological waste out of the quarantine zone;

2) prohibition of delivery of animals not vaccinated against the contagious animal disease, which caused imposition of restrictive measures and/or the quarantine, to the quarantine zone, or their transit through it;

3) restrictions on the conveyance of animals, regulated products, and biological waste within the territory of the quarantine zone;

4) restrictions on the production, distribution, and disposal of animals and regulated products, distribution, and disposal of biological waste within the quarantine zone.

In case of particularly dangerous animal diseases, the decision to impose restrictive measures and/or quarantine includes the restrictions on the movement of people into the nidus of the contagious animal disease or out of it, including with the use of vehicles, without necessary disinfection measures in accordance with veterinary rules on contagious animal disease control with imposition of restrictive measures and/or quarantine.

3. With restrictive measures and/or quarantine being imposed, the measures aimed at the extirpation of contagious animal diseases and prevention of their spread, as well as diagnostic and therapeutic measures are carried out in accordance with veterinary rules on contagious animal disease control with imposition of restrictive measures and/or quarantine, approved by the federal executive authority authorized by the Government of the Russian Federation, which include:

1) a method for determining the boundaries of the territory to be covered by restrictive measures and/or quarantine, the location of the nidus of a contagious animal disease and types of endangered areas in order to differentiate restrictions established on the basis of the decision to impose restrictive measures and/or quarantine in accordance with paragraph 2 of this Article;

2) necessary preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic, and other activities in relation to animals;

3) requirements on isolation of infected animals, disposal and destruction of regulated goods and biological waste on production facilities (farms);

4) requirements to disinfection measures;

5) details of restrictions imposed in accordance with paragraph 2 of this Article on the production and distribution of regulated goods, distribution of biological waste, their disposal within the quarantine zone, depending on the type of the contagious animal disease that caused the imposition of such restrictive measures and/or quarantine.

4. If the unscheduled inspection of the production facility carried out after the restrictive measures and/or quarantine were imposed in accordance with Article 40 of this Federal Law, did not identify any violations of the requirements established by the veterinary rules and confirmed the

possibility to ensure veterinary safety of this production facility, the restrictions on the production and distribution of animals and regulated goods, as well as distribution of biological waste within the quarantine zone specified in the decision to impose restrictive measures and/or the quarantine at this production facility (farm) do not apply, as indicated in the inspection certificate.

5. The list of contagious and highly contagious animal diseases, which cause the imposition of restrictive measures and/or quarantine, is approved by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine.

6. Depending on the level of danger of the zone and for the purposes of monitoring the development of contagious animal disease and prevention of its spread, within the areas adjacent to the territories where restrictive measures and/or quarantine were imposed in accordance with veterinary rules established by this Federal Law, additional requirements to the production, distribution, and disposal of animals and regulated goods, as well as distribution and disposal of biological waste, can apply (to the limits established by this Federal Law).

7. During the extirpation of niduses of contagious animal diseases, regulated goods may be withdrawn according to Article 39 of this Federal Law, and state authorities may be informed with the use of the federal state information system in the field of veterinary medicine in the course of interagency cooperation.

8. In case of occurrence and/or spread of contagious animal diseases within the territory of two or more constituent entities of the Russian Federation, restrictive measures and/or quarantine are imposed by the federal executive authorities responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine, which, along with responsibilities specified in Part 1 of this Article:

makes decisions on the imposition (cancellation) of restrictive measures and/or quarantine within the territory of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation;

organizes operation of antiepidemiological commissions, including interregional ones, of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation, where restrictive measures and/or quarantine were imposed;

supervises and coordinates the implementation of measures established by the antiepidemiological commissions and executive authorities of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine;

Article 38. Preventive, diagnostic, and therapeutic activities

1. Preventive measures are aimed at preventing the occurrence and spread of contagious animal diseases.

Diagnostic measures are aimed at identification of sources of agents of contagious animal diseases and the factors of their transfer, as well as assessment of the effectiveness of preventive and therapeutic measures.

Therapeutic measures are aimed at protection of the life and health of animals, maintenance and improvement of their productivity by means of procedures involving the use of veterinary medications and medical product and therapeutic feed additives.

2. Information about preventive, diagnostic, and therapeutic activities performed is written down by the veterinary specialist into an animal passport or health certificate in the forms approved by the federal executive authority responsible for formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine.

Article 39. Withdrawal of animals and/or regulated products during the extirpation of niduses of contagious animal diseases

1. Withdrawal of animals and/or regulated products during the extirpation of niduses of contagious animal diseases, the detection of susceptible animals and animals that are the source of agents of contagious diseases, is carried out by the decision of the highest official of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation (head of the highest executive authority of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation) upon the recommendation of the federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine, which imposes restrictive measures and/or quarantine.

The list of diseases constituting the reason for withdrawal of animals and/or regulated products is defined by the federal executive authority responsible for formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine.

2. The decision on the withdrawal of animals and/or regulated product include:

1) grounds for the decision;

2) the list of animals and/or regulated products to be withdrawn;

3) the territory, where such withdrawal is carried out, and its timing;

4) the procedure for withdrawal of animals and/or regulated products;

5) state authorities and/or bodies responsible for the withdrawal;

6) the procedure for compensation for damage during the withdrawal of animals and/or regulated products.

A copy of the decision to withdraw animals and/or regulated products is given to the natural and legal persons, whose animals and/or regulated products are to be withdrawn.

Based on the results of withdrawal of animals and/or regulated products, the officials of the executive authorities of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine authorized to carry out the withdrawal, draw up an act in the form approved by the federal executive authority responsible for the formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine.

The procedure for withdrawal of animals and/or regulated products and the procedure for making the decision on withdrawal are established by the Government of the Russian Federation.

3. The procedure for withdrawal of animals and/or regulated products within the territories and at the sites, which are under the jurisdiction of the federal executive authorities in the field of defense, domestic affairs, punitive services, state guard, and security, is developed by these authorities upon agreement with the federal executive authority responsible for formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine.

4. Damage caused to the natural or legal persons as a result of withdrawal of animals and/or regulated products is compensated in an amount equal to the market value of the withdrawn animals and/or regulated products.

Funds for withdrawal of animals and/or regulated products and compensation for the withdrawn animals and/or regulated products are allocated from the budget of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation.

Natural and legal persons are entitled to appeal through the courts against the decision to withdraw animals and/or regulated products, as well as amount of compensation for damages in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation.

5. In cases when the court found that contagious animal disease were caused by a guilty act or omission of the natural or legal person, the value of withdrawn animals and/or regulated products is not compensated.

Chapter 7. **State veterinary control (supervision)**

Article 40. **State veterinary control (supervision)**

1. State veterinary control (supervision) is carried out by officials of the authorized federal executive authorities and executive authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation under the delegated powers of the Russian Federation for the implementation of the state veterinary control, in accordance with their expertise and with the procedures established by the Government of the Russian Federation.

Expertise of federal executive authorities on the implementation of the state veterinary supervision at checkpoints across the state border of the Russian Federation is determined for a limited period by the Government of the Russian Federation.

State control (supervision) at checkpoints across the state border of the Russian Federation is carried out in accordance with Article 42 of this Federal Law.

Relations connected with the implementation of the state veterinary control (supervision) are regulated by the provisions of the Federal Law No. 294-FZ "On protection of rights of legal persons and individual entrepreneurs during the exercise of state control (supervision) and municipal control" of December 26, 2008.

2. Objects of the state veterinary control (supervision) are natural and legal persons and individual entrepreneurs:

1) carrying out activities on:

keeping, breeding, cultivation, conveyance (transportation), and slaughter of animals;

obtaining, production, storage, conveyance (transportation) of regulated products;

distribution of productive and unproductive farm animals and regulated products;

processing, storage, conveyance (transportation) of regulated products obtained by hunting and taking (catching) of wild animals;

production and storage of feed and feed additives (except for those packed in consumer packaging (wrapping));

production, storage and conveyance (transportation) of veterinary medications;

distribution, disposal, and destruction of biological waste;

treatment of animals;

veterinary, veterinary and sanitary examination and veterinary certification of regulated goods;

2) carrying out activities on the conveyance (transportation) of productive and unproductive farm animals, regulated products, and biological waste (except for the conveyance (transportation) of feed and feed additives packed in consumer packaging) within the territory of the Russian Federation.

3. State veterinary control (supervision) over the compliance with veterinary safety requirements to the processes of slaughter of animals, obtaining, production, storage, processing, conveyance (transportation), distribution of regulated products, and collection, storage, conveyance (transportation), disposal, and destruction of biological waste that are subject to technical regulations, is carried out in accordance with the provisions of the relevant technical regulations.

4. If an inspection certificate requires conclusions on research findings, it shall be drawn up within three working days after the completion of monitoring (supervision). If, in accordance with the Consolidated List of Research laboratory analysis cannot be completed within the specified period, it may be extended by the official of the state authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine authorized to conduct the inspection, for ten working days at the most.

Article 41. Rights and obligations of authorities and officials authorized to exercise state veterinary control (supervision)

1. The head of the federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine also holds position of Chief State Veterinary Inspector of the Russian Federation and is appointed and dismissed by the Government of the Russian Federation.

Heads of executive authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine exercising delegated powers also hold positions of Chief State Veterinary Inspectors of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation and are appointed and dismissed in accordance with the procedure specified in Article 7 of this Federal Law.

In pursuance of the guidelines and instructional materials specified in paragraph 2 of Part 7 of Article 7 of this Federal Law, as well as in the cases specified in Article 37 of this Federal Law, the Chief State Inspector of the Russian Federation gives Chief State Veterinary Inspectors of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation binding instructions on delegated powers.

Heads of veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) services of the federal executive authorities in the field of defense, domestic affairs, punitive services, state guard, and security also hold positions of Chief State Veterinary Inspectors of the federal executive authorities in the field of defense, domestic affairs, punitive services, state guard, and security and are appointed and dismissed in accordance with the procedure established by these federal executive authorities.

2. In accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation, officials of the state authority in the field of veterinary medicine responsible for state veterinary control (supervision), who hold positions of State Veterinary Inspectors, have the right:

without impediment, upon presentation of an official ID and a copy of an inspection order (decree) issued by the state authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine, to attend for the purpose of control (supervision) any buildings, premises, facilities, and other sites used by natural and legal persons; to carry out veterinary and veterinary and sanitary examination; to give natural and legal persons binding instructions on the slaughter of animals, as well as the disposal and destruction of regulated products and biological waste, in cases established by veterinary rules in accordance with this Federal Law;

to give natural and legal persons binding instructions on the vaccination of animals in cases established by veterinary rules;

to give natural and legal persons binding instructions on the elimination of violations of this Federal Law, laws and regulations adopted in accordance with this Federal Law, and laws and regulations of constituent entities of the Russian Federation, as well as veterinary and sanitary requirements in cases established by federal laws;

to make proposals to the state authorities of the Russian Federation and constituent entities of the Russian Federation on establishment of emergency antiepidemiological commissions in accordance with legislation of the Russian Federation;

to carry out inspection of regulated goods at main rail and road stations, sea (river) ports, airports, federal highways, and other locations specified by legislation at the time of loading, unloading, and transit through the territory of the Russian Federation;

to suspend or prohibit the loading, unloading, and transit of regulated goods within the territory of the Russian Federation in case of detection of violations of legislation in the field of veterinary medicine;

to take samples of regulated goods for laboratory inspection against their compliance with standards of the Russian Federation and the Customs Union;

to make decisions on changing animal health status of production facilities (farms);

to examine cases on administrative violations in the field of veterinary medicine;

to draw up protocols on administrative violations in the field of veterinary medicine;

3. The list of officials of the federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine, who exercise functions of state veterinary control (supervision), is established by the Government of the Russian Federation.

The list of officials of the federal executive authorities in the field of defense, domestic affairs, punitive services, state guard, and security, who exercise functions of state veterinary control (supervision) at the sites under their jurisdiction, as well as the procedure for appointment to the position (and dismissal from the position) is established by these federal executive authorities.

The list of officials of the executive authorities of constituent entities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine, who exercise functions of state veterinary control (supervision), is established in accordance with the legislation of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation.

4. State authorities of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine responsible for state veterinary control (supervision):

send to prosecution agencies and other law enforcement agencies within their jurisdiction materials to consider the initiation of criminal proceedings on violations of the legislation of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine;

make decisions on changing animal health status of production facilities (farms);

examine cases on administrative violations in the field of veterinary medicine.

5. Officials of the state authority in the field of veterinary medicine responsible for state veterinary control (supervision) are responsible for violation of legislation in the field of veterinary medicine in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation.

Chapter 8. Protection of the territory of the Russian Federation against contagious animal diseases and ensuring veterinary safety of imported regulated goods

Article 42. Conditions of import of regulated products into the Russian Federation, export from the Russian Federation, and transit through the territory of the Russian Federation

1. Regulated goods imported into the Russian Federation must comply with mandatory veterinary (veterinary and sanitary) requirements.

2. Import of regulated goods into the Russian Federation, as well as transit through the territory of the Russian Federation, is carried out under a permit issued by the federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine, and/or a veterinary certificate, executed and/or issued by the competent authority of the state, from which these regulated goods are exported, in accordance with the legislation of the Customs Union in the framework of the Eurasian Economic Community.

In order to prevent importation of contagious animal diseases from foreign countries, the federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine and the federal executive authority in the field of defense establish veterinary border checkpoints, or according to their expertise in accordance with the procedure established by the Government of the Russian Federation.

3. Import into the Russian Federation of regulated goods other than regulated goods imported by individuals for personal, domestic, household, and other non-entrepreneurial activities, as well as aquatic biological resources taken (caught) by fishing and produced fish and other products, is carried out in checkpoints across the state border of the Russian Federation specially equipped and designed for that purpose (hereinafter - specialized checkpoints).

The list of specialized checkpoints is established by the federal executive authority authorized by the Government of the Russian Federation in accordance with the procedure established by the Government of the Russian Federation.

In specialized checkpoints, customs officials carry out state veterinary supervision in accordance with the expertise established by the Government of the Russian Federation. In compliance with the risk management system, according to the results of the state veterinary supervision carried out in specialized checkpoints, one of the following decisions shall be made:

- immediate export of goods from the territory of the Russian Federation;
- pass of goods into the territory of the Russian Federation for the purpose of their transportation in accordance with the customs procedure for customs transit in specially equipped locations for the completion of the state veterinary supervision by officials of the federal executive authority in the field of veterinary supervision;
- transportation of high-risk goods to specially equipped points (border veterinary checkpoints) in specialized checkpoints for inspection of goods by authorized officials of the federal executive authority in accordance with the expertise established by the Government of the Russian Federation;
- transportation of goods to other specially equipped points (border veterinary checkpoints) located in the territorial jurisdiction of the customs authorities located at checkpoints across the state border of the Russian Federation for the completion of state veterinary supervision by officials of the federal executive authority in the field of veterinary supervision.

The procedure for the development and implementation of risk management measures is established by the federal executive authority responsible for legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine in cooperation with the federal executive authority responsible for customs affairs. This procedure establishes the procedure for collection and analysis of information, including preliminary information, provided by participants of foreign economic activities to the customs authorities, as well as development of strategy and tactics of the risk management system.

The procedure of state veterinary control (supervision) in checkpoints across the state border of the Russian Federation (including the procedure for making decisions by the customs authorities on the basis of results of document inspection in specialized checkpoints; the procedure for determination of types of regulated goods in accordance with the Foreign Economic Activity Commodity Nomenclature of the Customs Union and cases, when regulated goods are inspected) is established by the Government of the Russian Federation.

4. Import into the Russian Federation of biological materials that contain or may contain agents of contagious animal diseases is only allowed for the purpose of analysis of these materials in medical and research institutions, which have the right to handle the agents of contagious animal diseases in accordance with the procedure established by the Government of the Russian Federation.

5. If after shipment of regulated goods from a foreign production facility for the purpose of their importation into the Russian Federation, in accordance with procedure established by this Federal Law, a decision was made to impose restrictions on import into the Russian Federation of regulated goods from the foreign country or the foreign production facility, such regulated goods can be used or distributed within the territory of the Russian Federation only after negative results of laboratory tests of samples (specimens) of each batch of the regulated goods against disease and veterinary safety indicators that caused the imposition of such restrictions.

6. Export of regulated goods from the Russian Federation into other member states of the Customs Union is carried out in accordance with the legislation of the Customs Union.

7. All animals imported into the territory of the Russian Federation are subject to quarantine in accordance with the contractual and legal framework of the Customs Union, resolutions of the Customs Union Commission, the Eurasian Economic Commission, and the Eurasian Economic Union.

Quarantine of animals to be exported into foreign countries is carried out in cases when it is mandatory according to the requirements of the foreign countries, where these animals will be exported.

Article 43. Restrictions on import, export, and transit of regulated goods

1. Import into the Russian Federation, export from the Russian Federation, and transit through the territory of the Russian Federation of regulated goods may be restricted based on the decision of the federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine, in accordance with the procedure established by the federal executive authority responsible for formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine.

The decision must include the reasons for restrictions, the effective period of restrictions, and/or the procedure for the release of restrictions.

Article 44. The procedure for issuing permits for import into the Russian Federation, export from the Russian Federation, and transit through the territory of the Russian Federation of regulated goods

1. Issuance of permits for import into the Russian Federation, export from the Russian Federation and transit through the territory of the Russian Federation of regulated goods is carried out in accordance with the procedure established by the federal executive authority responsible for formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine. This procedure must include a comprehensive list of documents required for the issuance of appropriate permits for import, export, and transit of regulated goods.

2. Permit for import into the Russian Federation issued upon the request of person intending to import animals or feed into the Russian Federation is adopted with due consideration of information on territorial veterinary (epizootic) welfare submitted by the executive authorities of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation in the field of veterinary medicine, where animals or feed are to be imported.

Article 45. The procedure for state veterinary control (supervision) upon import into the Russian Federation, export from the Russian Federation, and transit through the territory of the Russian Federation of regulated goods

1. State veterinary control (supervision) upon import into the Russian Federation, export from the Russian Federation, and transit through the territory of the Russian Federation of regulated goods is carried out by the federal executive authority responsible for control (supervision) in the field of veterinary medicine, as well as by customs authorities in specialized checkpoints with respect to inspection of documents.

2. State veterinary control (supervision) over the compliance of regulated goods imported into the customs territory of the Customs Union and transported through the territory of the Russian Federation with veterinary requirements is carried out in accordance with the legislation of the Customs Union.

3. Export outside the customs territory of the Customs Union of regulated goods can be carried out only by manufacturing enterprises included in the Register of Russian companies supplying products to third countries with mandatory laboratory tests in accordance with the requirements of the import country.

The procedure for maintaining the Register of Russian companies supplying products to third countries is established by the federal executive authority responsible for formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine.

Chapter 9. Final Provisions

Article 46. On the annulment of acts of legislation of the Russian Federation

The following shall be considered to have lost force:

1. Law of the Russian Federation No. 4979-1 "On veterinary medicine" of May 14, 1993 (Bulletin of the Council of People's Deputies and the Supreme Soviet of the Russian Federation, 1993, No. 24, p. 857);

2. Article 17 of the Federal Law No. 58-FZ "On amendments to certain legislative acts of the Russian Federation and the annulment of certain legislative acts of the Russian Federation in connection with the implementation of measures to improve public administration" of June 29, 2004 (Collected Laws of the Russian Federation, 2004, No. 27, p. 2711).

3. Article 31 of the Federal Law No. 122-FZ "On amendments to legislative acts of the Russian Federation and the annulment of certain legislative acts of the Russian Federation in connection with the adoption of the Federal Law "On amendments and additions to the Federal Law "On general principles of organization of legislative (representative) and executive state authorities of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation" and "On general principles of local self-government in the Russian Federation" of August 22, 2004 (Collected Laws of the Russian Federation, 2004, No. 35, p. 3607).

4. Article 4 of the Federal Law No. 199-FZ "On amendments to certain legislative acts of the Russian Federation in connection with the improvement of separation of powers" of December 31, 2005 (Collected Laws of the Russian Federation, 2006, No. 1, p. 10).

5. Article 3 of the Federal Law No 232-F3 "On amendments to the town planning code of the Russian Federation and certain legislative acts of the Russian Federation" of December 18, 2006 (Collected Laws of the Russian Federation, 2006, No. 52, p. 5498).

6. Article 3 of the Federal Law No. 266-FZ "On amendments to certain legislative acts of the Russian Federation in connection with the improvement of state control at checkpoints across the state border of the Russian Federation" of December 30, 2006 (Collected Laws of the Russian Federation, 2007, No. 1, p. 29).

7. Article 1 of the Federal Law No. 191-FZ "On amendments to Articles 9 and 19 of the Law of the Russian Federation "On Veterinary Medicine" and Article 263 of the Federal Law "On general principles of organization of legislative (representative) and executive state authorities of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation" of July 21, 2007 (Collected Laws of the Russian Federation, 2007, No. 30 p. 3805).

8. Article 5 of the Federal Law No. 309-FZ "On amendments to the Article 16 of the Federal Law "On environmental protection" and certain legislative acts of the Russian Federation" of December 30, 2008 (Collected Laws of the Russian Federation, 2009, No. 1, Art. 17)

9. Article 1 of the Federal Law No. 313-FZ "On amendments to certain legislative acts of the Russian Federation in connection with possibility of replacing mandatory certification with declaration of conformity" of December 30, 2008 (Collected Laws of the Russian Federation, 2009, No. 1, p. 21).

10. Article 1 of the Federal Law No 356-FZ "On amendments to the Federal Law "On veterinary medicine" of December 30, 2010 (Collected Laws of the Russian Federation, 2010, No. 50, p. 6614).

11. Article 2 of the Federal Law No. 394-F3 "On amendments to certain legislative acts of the Russian Federation in connection with the delegation of authority for certain types of state control by the customs authorities of the Russian Federation" of December 28, 2010 (Collected Laws of the Russian Federation, 2011, No. 1, p. 6).

12. Article 4 of the Federal Law No. 242-FZ "On amendments to certain legislative acts of the Russian Federation on the implementation of state control" of July 18, 2011 (Collected Laws of the Russian Federation, 2011, No. 30, p. 4590).

Article 47. Entry into force of this Federal Law

1. This Federal Law shall enter into force on March 1, 2015, except for the provisions, which in accordance with this Article shall enter into force on another date.

2. The period from the date of entry into force of this Federal Law and until January 1, 2017 will be a transitional period, during which the veterinary rules establishing mandatory requirements for veterinary safety adopted before the entry into force of this Federal Law apply to the extent not inconsistent with this Federal Law.

3. Veterinary rules stipulated by this Federal Law shall be adopted by the federal executive authority responsible for formulation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine before January 1, 2016.

4. The provisions of paragraph 2 of Article 21 of this Federal Law shall enter into force on January 1, 2016.

5. The provisions of paragraph 3 of Article 25, paragraph 4 of Article 26, subparagraph 6 of paragraph 3 and subparagraph 7 of paragraph 6 of Article 33 of this Federal Law shall enter into force before January 1, 2017.

6. The period from the date of entry into force of this Federal Law and till January 1, 2018 will be a transitional period, during which veterinary examination, veterinary and sanitary examination, and veterinary certification may be carried out, along with veterinary experts, by veterinary specialists from organizations, which operate in the field of veterinary medicine and are subject to the jurisdiction of state authorities referred to in paragraphs 1 to 5 of Part 2 of Article 3 of this Federal Law.

The President of the Russian Federation

END UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION.