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Decree of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry on the pursuit of activities in the animal feed sector

(548/2012, amendments up to 1/2020 included)

By decision of Parliament, the following is enacted in accordance with the Feed Act (86/2008):

Chapter 1 General provisions

Section 1 (960/2014) Scope of application

This Decree lays down the provisions on the notification, own-check, permit and record keeping obligation of feed business operators and on their approval. This Decree also lays down provisions on the labelling of feeds.

Section 2 (960/2014, 1/2020) Relationship with certain statutes

In addition to this Decree, provisions on the pursuit of activities in the animal feed sector are laid down in Regulation (EC) No 183/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down requirements for feed hygiene (*Feed Hygiene Regulation*).

In addition to this Decree, provisions on the pursuit of activities relating to feeds of animal origin are laid down in Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down health rules as regards animal by-products and derived products not intended for human consumption and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1774/2002 (*Animal By-Products Regulation*) and in the Act on Animal By-Products (517/2015).

Provisions on the pursuit of activities relating to feeds of animal origin are laid down in Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down rules for the

prevention, control and eradication of certain transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (*TSE Regulation*).

Owing to changes in the animal health situation, provisions on restrictions on trade within the internal market, transit through the territory of the internal market, and imports and exports are laid down in safeguard measures issued by the European Commission.

In addition to this Decree, provisions on the mandatory labelling of feed materials and compound feeds are laid down in Regulation (EC) No 767/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the placing on the market and use of feed, amending European Parliament and Council Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 and repealing Council Directive 79/373/EEC, Commission Directive 80/511/EEC, Council Directives 82/471/EEC, 83/228/EEC, 93/74/EEC, 93/113/EC and 96/25/EC and Commission Decision 2004/217/EC (*Placing on the Market and Use Regulation*), and provisions on the labelling of feeds of animal origin are also laid down in the Animal By-Products Regulation and TSE Regulation.

Provisions on the method for calculating the energy value of compound feeds intended for poultry are laid down in Commission Regulation (EC) No 152/2009 laying down the methods of sampling and analysis for the official control of feed.

Provisions on the maximum levels of undesirable substances in feeds and action thresholds for tests to be carried out by Member States are laid down in Commission Regulations amending Annexes I and II to Directive 2002/32/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on undesirable substances in animal feed (*Undesirable Substances Regulations*) and in their annexes. In addition to this, provisions on the maximum levels of pesticides in feeds are laid down in Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council on maximum residue levels of pesticides in or on food and feed of plant and animal origin and amending Council Directive 91/414/EEC and in its annexes.

Provisions on feed additives are laid down in Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council on additives for use in animal nutrition. Detailed requirements on the information to be provided for the approval of additives are laid down in Commission Regulation (EC) No 429/2008 on detailed rules for the implementation of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the preparation and the presentation of applications and the assessment and the authorisation of feed additives.

Section 3 (960/2014, 1/2020) Definitions

The definitions of the Feed Act (86/2008) apply in this Decree. In addition, in this Decree:

- 1) *complementary feed and complete feed* mean complementary feed and complete feed as they are defined in the Placing on the Market and Use Regulation;
- *daily ration* means daily ration as it is defined in Article 2(f) of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council on additives for use in animal nutrition;
- 3) feed business means any undertaking whether for profit or not and whether public or private as it is defined in Article 3(5) of Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety;
- 4) *approved laboratory* means a laboratory referred to in section 27 of the Feed Act approved for testing own-check samples taken for Salmonella as required by law;
- 5) *designated laboratory* means a laboratory referred to in section 28b of the Feed Act designated for testing own-check samples taken for Salmonella as required by law;
- 6) *official sampling guidelines* means guidelines of the Finnish Food Authority on the sampling of feeds;
- 7) type of production means financially the most significant type of primary production;
- 8) *mobile mixer* means a feed business operator producing compound feeds on a farm using mobile milling and mixing equipment;
- storage company means a feed business operator providing storage services which stores feed, including a separate warehouse or storage facility;
- 10) transport company means a feed business operator providing transport services;
- 11) high-risk feed means feed which on the basis of the notifications under the rapid alert system for foods and feeds referred to in Article 50 of Regulation No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council or scientific risk assessment involves a greater risk of Salmonella than other feeds;
- 12) *incremental sample* means the quantity of the sample taken from one place in the feed batch or lot to be tested or part of this;

- 13) sample from the production environment means a swab or dust sample which may also contain feed to be taken from the production premises and equipment, mixer vehicle, transport equipment, warehouse or other similar object;
- 14) *wet feed* means feed material and compound feed with a dry matter content of less than50 percent;
- 15) *customer number* means a number given by the Finnish Food Authority to the feed business operator in connection with registration in accordance with the Feed Hygiene Regulation;
- 16) *detoxification establishment* means an establishment in accordance with Annex VIII to the Placing on the Market and Use Regulation which cleans feed where the maximum level of undesirable substances has been exceeded.

Chapter 2 Registration and approval of a feed business operator

Section 4 (1/2020) Notification for registration

A feed business operator shall submit a registration notification under section 18 of the Feed Act. In the registration notification, the feed business operator shall declare the following information, in addition to the provisions in section 18 of the Feed Act:

- 1) a business operator in primary production shall state the type of production and operations under Chapter I of Annex 1 to this Decree;
- a feed business operator other than one in primary production shall state the operations under Chapter II of Annex 1 to this Decree, and the product types under Chapter III of Annex 1 to this Decree.

A feed business operator shall notify the Finnish Food Authority of any permanent changes to the information given in the registration notification or of any other significant changes in a way required by the Finnish Food Authority no later than the entry into force of such changes.

Section 5

Derogations concerning certain business operators in primary production

A reindeer herding cooperative under section 6 of the Reindeer Husbandry Act (848/1990) may submit a registration notification on behalf of a feed business operator that pursues reindeer husbandry. The information referred to in section 4 of this Decree shall be annexed to the notification.

The notification obligation shall not apply to a feed business operator who exclusively supplies primary products annually produced by the operator on a surface area of no more than three hectares directly to a local farm or similar business operator to be used there.

Section 6 (960/2014, 1/2020) Application for approval of a feed business operator

A feed business operator shall annex information under section 20 of the Feed Act to the application. An application for approval shall be submitted to the Finnish Food Authority using the form published for this purpose. A feed business operator applying for approval shall also make the registration notification referred to in section 4 of this Decree.

Provisions on revoking an approval under the Feed Hygiene Regulation are laid down in Articles 14 and 15 of the Feed Hygiene Regulation.

Provisions on the approval of operators producing and placing on the market medicated feed are laid down in the Decree of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry on medicated feeds (10/EEO/2008).

Section 6a (960/2014)

Application for a permit to use an unauthorised feed additive

A permit referred to in section 10 a of the Feed Act shall be applied for no later than two months before the planned experiment is started.

The plan on the experiment required for the permit application shall contain the following information:

- name and address and other contact information of the applicant and person responsible for the experiment;
- customer number of the applicant and person responsible for the experiment or, if none exists, the business or company identification number or, if none exists, personal identification number or farm identification number;
- 3) purpose of the experiment;
- 4) time of the experiment;
- 5) place of the experiment;
- 6) substance to be tested;
- 7) arrangements of the experiment;
- 8) contact information of the producer of the feed to be tested;
- 9) farm animals to be used;
- 10) production and feeding of the feeds to be tested;
- 11) treatment of left-over test feed;
- 12) parameters to be measured;
- 13) summary of information available on the substance to be tested;
- 14) estimate of the risk caused to consumers if products derived from animals are to be used as food;
- 15) estimate of the risk caused to animals or the environment if products derived from animals are to be used as by-products or derived products referred to in the Animal By-Products Regulation.

Detailed requirements for studies concerning the efficacy of the additive are issued in section IV of Annex II and in Annex III to the Application Regulation.

Section 6b (960/2014)

Application procedure for designating a laboratory

The application concerning designating a laboratory referred to in section 28b of the Feed Act shall contain the following information:

- 1) name and address and other contact information of the business operator;
- 2) customer number of the operator;
- 3) name and address and other contact information of the laboratory;
- 4) name of the person responsible for testing at the laboratory;

- 5) method to be used in testing for Salmonella;
- 6) quality control system which fulfils the EN/ISO standard;
- name and address and other contact information of the body which verified the quality control system;
- 8) time when the activity is to be started.

An account of the fulfilment of the requirements laid down for the designation shall be annexed to the application.

Section 7 (960/2014, 1/2020)

Approval and identification number of a feed business establishment

The Finnish Food Authority shall provide an approved establishment pursuing the activities referred to in:

- 1) Article 10 of the Feed Hygiene Regulation;
- 2) paragraph 10 of Annex II to the Feed Hygiene Regulation;
- 3) Article 8(2) of the Placing on the Market and Use Regulation;
- 4) paragraph 1 of Annex VIII to the Placing on the Market and Use Regulation

with an approval number in the form given in Part A of Annex 2 to this Decree as well as, upon request, a feed business establishment referred to in Article 17(1)(c) of the Placing on the Market and Use Regulation with an identification number in the form under Part B of Annex 2 to this Decree.

Section 8 (960/2014, 1/2020) List of feed business operators and laboratories

The Finnish Food Authority shall publish the lists referred to in section 37 of the Feed Act on its website. The lists shall be kept up to date.

The Finnish Food Authority shall enter to the list the establishments that have been registered following the procedure referred to in section 4 or 5 of this Decree, broken down by activity, product type or type of production.

In addition to the provisions in subsection 2, the approval number under section 7 shall be entered to the list in respect of each business operator approved in accordance with the Feed Hygiene Regulation.

Chapter 3

Notification, information and cooperation obligation of a feed business operator

Section 9 (1/2020) Imports

A feed business operator shall provide notification of imports of high-risk feed no later than 24 hours before such a feed batch or lot enters the Finnish territory by notifying the Finnish Food Authority of this for risk-based sampling referred to in section 13 of this Decree. If the day preceding the import operation is not a weekday, the advance notification shall be provided no later than on the previous weekday.

Feed additives, premixtures and compound feeds produced from them mentioned in Annex 4 may only be imported from production establishments that have a representative based in Finland. The representative shall provide notification to the Finnish Food Authority whereby the representative undertakes to guarantee that the production establishment located in the third country meets the requirements laid down in the Feed Hygiene Regulation.

The Finnish Food Authority keeps a list of third-country production establishments and enters in it the name and address of both the production establishment and the representative, as well as products requiring approval referred to in Annex 4 that have been placed on the market in Finland.

Section 10 was repealed by Decree 1/2020.

Section 11 (1/2020) Other notifications concerning feed business operators A business operator shall notify the Finnish Food Authority immediately of any undesirable substances, products or organisms in excess of the maximum allowable level detected in the receipt, production, storage or loading of feed, or other similar activities.

To prevent risks caused by feed placed on the market, a business operator shall notify the business operator to whom the feed was supplied immediately of any Salmonella findings in the feed.

Section 12 (1/2020) Cooperation with the Finnish Food Authority

A feed business operator shall undertake appropriate measures and cooperate with the Finnish Food Authority to prevent risks caused by feed in a situation where there is cause to suspect that the feed or its production, preparation or distribution phase does not fulfil the requirements concerning feed safety.

A business operator shall cooperate with the Finnish Food Authority to find out the sources of undesirable substances, products and organisms when their maximum levels laid down in Annex I to the Undesirable Substances Regulations are exceeded in the feed, when increased levels are detected in accordance with the provisions in Annex II to the Regulations, or when Salmonella is found in the feed.

A business operator shall report to the Finnish Food Authority of the storage, identification, reprocessing and disposal of a feed batch or lot which does not fulfil the feed safety requirements, as well as of the action taken in case of contamination.

A business operator shall ensure that, where necessary, the feeds are rendered harmless using a procedure approved by the Finnish Food Authority, no Salmonella is present in the feeds that have been rendered harmless, and they are in accordance with Annex I to the Undesirable Substances Regulations.

Chapter 4 Salmonella sampling in connection with imports

Section 13 (1/2020)

Sampling and testing of samples

For the official Salmonella control of feed, samples shall be taken from high-risk feed in accordance with the risk-based control plan of the Finnish Food Authority. The control plan to be drawn up annually shall show the name and type of feed, country of origin, and the number of feed batches or lots concerned in the sampling.

The sample shall be taken in connection with import using a suitable mechanical sampler or other appropriate sampling method.

In the official control of high-risk feed intended for feeding food-production animals, pets and fur animals one sample per every 50,000 kilograms of the feed batch or lot shall be tested.

In addition to the provision in subsection 3, for feed intended directly for a mobile mixer or farm for feeding food-producing animals without heat treatment of the feed batch or lot in Finland one sample per every 25,000 kilograms of the feed batch or lot shall be tested.

An inspector authorised by the Finnish Food Authority shall take the samples referred to in subsections 3 and 4 in accordance with the official sampling guidelines.

Chapter 5

Quality control by a feed business operator

Section 14 (960/2014)

Maximum levels of undesirable substances, products and organisms

A product intended as feed which contains an undesirable substance or product referred to in section 6 of the Feed Act in excess of the maximum allowable level may not be mixed with another feed for the purpose of diluting the undesirable substances or products.

If no maximum level of undesirable substances or products has been set for complementary feed, complementary feed may not contain, taking account of its daily ration according to the instructions for use, undesirable substances or products at levels exceeding the level established for compound feed.

Section 15

Sampling for Salmonella testing by business operators producing feed materials

A feed business operator producing feed materials for placing on the market from high-risk feed falling under the feed material categories listed in Annex 3 shall take at least one sample from the production environment per week, or one sample per every 50,000 kilograms, but at least three samples per year.

If the production process of the feed material includes heat treatment, samples from the production environment shall be taken, as applicable, from the cooling system.

In addition to the provision in subsection 1, at least one sample of the end product shall be taken per every 100,000 kilograms. The requirement for sampling the end product shall not apply to wet feed.

The obligation to take samples from the production environment or the end product shall not apply to a business operator who only produces feed materials intended for feed for fur animals or pets or a business operator who only handles mechanically feed materials falling under the feed material categories "cereal grains", "seeds and fruits of oil plants" or "legume seeds" in Annex 3 without changing their state.

Section 16 (1/2020)

Sampling for Salmonella testing by business operators producing compound feeds

A feed business operator producing compound feeds for food-producing animals for placing on the market shall take a sample from the production environment at least once a week from each of the receipt and production lines separately where feed materials are received or compound feeds are produced from high-risk feed materials falling under the feed material categories listed in Annex 3.

Business operators that use steam to heat feed shall take a sample from each of the following points:

- 1) lines or pits for receiving bulk raw materials;
- 2) central dust remover or dust-removal system of the receiving line;

- 3) cooler;
- 4) dust-removal system of the cooler;
- 5) space where the cooler is located or where cooling air is taken;
- 6) bulk loading line.

Business operators other than those referred to in subsection 2 above shall take a sample at least once a week from each of the following points:

- 1) the lines for receiving bulk raw materials;
- 2) mixing line;
- 3) dust-removal system;
- 4) loading line.

The sampling points may be changed for each establishment on the basis of a risk assessment carried out by the business operator. The Finnish Food Authority shall be notified of any changes and the grounds for them.

In addition to the provisions on the taking of samples from the production environment in subsections 1–3, the business operator shall take samples from the end product in connection with loading.

The provisions in subsections 1–4 shall not, however, apply to a business operator producing compound feeds for food-producing animals for placing on the market on a farm using only high-risk feed falling under the feed material categories listed in Annex 3 produced on the farm in question. Such a business operator shall take at least one sample from the production environment per every 50,000 kilograms, but at least three samples per year.

Section 17 Sampling for Salmonella testing by mobile mixers

A mobile mixer producing compound feeds for food-producing animals for placing on the market using high-risk feed falling under the feed material categories listed in Annex 3 shall take, as part of its quality control, at least one sample from the production environment per month from each mixer vehicle. The samples shall be taken after the feed has been produced before the mixer vehicle is cleaned.

Section 18 (960/2014)

Sampling for Salmonella testing by transport companies

A transport company that transports high-risk feed materials falling under the feed material categories listed in Annex 3 and compound feeds containing these intended for feeding food-producing animals shall take at least one sample from the production environment in the cargo hold of each vehicle every other month. The samples shall be taken before the vehicle is cleaned.

However, the sampling obligation referred to in subsection 1 above shall not apply to business operators that only transport packaged feed or feed materials falling under the feed material category "cereal grains" in Annex 3.

Section 19 (960/2014) Sampling for Salmonella testing by storage companies

Storage companies that store bulk feed for food-producing animals shall take at least one sample from the production environment at an empty warehouse prior to the next receipt of a batch or lot of high-risk feed material falling under the feed material categories listed in Annex 3.

The sampling obligation also applies to feed factories that store high-risk feed materials falling under the feed material categories listed in Annex 3 before the testing and approval of the feed batches or lots for import or placing on the market.

The sampling obligation shall not, however, apply to business operators that store feed materials falling under the feed material categories of "cereal grains", "seeds and fruits of oil plants" or "legume seeds" in Annex 3.

Section 20

Sampling for Salmonella testing by business operators engaged in internal market trade

A feed business operator that imports high-risk feeds of plant origin from the internal market for food-producing animals, fur animals or pets shall take samples of the arriving feed batches or lots in accordance with the operator's risk-based quality control plan. In a feed batch or lot to be tested one sample shall be taken per every 50,000 kilograms or, if the feed is intended directly to a mobile mixer or farm, one sample per every 25,000 kilograms.

The sample shall be taken upon the arrival of the feed batch or lot using a suitable mechanical sampler or other appropriate sampling method. The sample shall be representative and composed of several incremental samples taken from different parts of the feed batch or lot. The sampler shall have sufficient expertise.

The sampling obligation shall not apply to the import of small quantities of feed for the feeding of animals owned or kept by the feed business operator.

Section 21 (960/2014, 1/2020)

Storage and testing of samples from the production environment and feed

A feed business operator shall send all samples from the production environment and feed referred to in sections 15–20 of this Decree without delay to a laboratory approved in accordance with section 27 or designated in accordance with section 25 or 28b of the Feed Act to be tested for Salmonella.

Notwithstanding the provisions in subsection 1, the loading samples referred to in section 16 shall only be sent to the quality control laboratory for testing if Salmonella is found in the sample from the production environment. Loading samples of bulk feed shall be stored for at least four months and samples of wet feed shall be stored until the date of minimum durability of the feed.

Each sample from the production environment and feed shall be tested separately at the laboratory.

Section 22

Measures to be taken if Salmonella is found in a sample from the production environment

If Salmonella is found in a sample from the production environment taken in connection with the receipt, production, storage or loading of feed, or other similar activity, the feed business operator

shall ensure, in addition to the provisions in section 12 of this Decree, that the following measures are taken, as applicable:

- 1) tracing the source of Salmonella in the feed raw materials;
- 2) tracing the source of Salmonella in the establishment;
- 3) enhanced sampling from the production environment to establish the extent of Salmonella infection;
- 4) enhanced sampling from feed;
- 5) enhanced cleaning and disinfection;
- 6) enhanced sampling from the production environment to assess the success of the cleaning and disinfection;
- 7) suspending feed production and distribution.

Section 23 (1/2020)

Heat treatment of compound feeds

A feed business operator producing compound feeds for laying hens, chickens for fattening and turkeys, and for pigs and bovines shall ensure that the temperature of the compound feeds in question during granulation or other heat treatment is no less than 81°C, or that the compound feed has been heated at a temperature of no less than 75°C for 10 minutes.

The heat treatment obligation shall not apply to a business operator with annual production of no more than six million kilograms, or to a mobile mixer. The heat treatment obligation shall also not apply to vitamin and mineral complementary feed, or to liquid or wet feed.

In addition to the provisions in subsection 2, the Finnish Food Authority may, upon application, grant a derogation from the heat treatment referred to in subsection 1 if the feed concerned is a special feed for which heat treatment is not suitable owing to its structure or properties.

Chapter 6 Feed labelling

Section 24 Pet foods In declarations concerning feed materials of compound feeds for pets, the name of the group to which the feed material belongs may be used in the labelling instead of the name of the individual feed material.

The feed material groups referred to in subsection 1 shall be declared in accordance with Annex 5 to this Decree.

Section 25 (960/2014, 1/2020) Declaration of energy and protein value

The Natural Resources Institute Finland publishes the calculation methods and feed tables for energy and protein values on its website.

The values given in the feed table or values calculated on the basis of the nutritional composition determined for a feed material may be declared as the energy and protein value of the feed material. The grounds presented in the feed table and, for the protein value of ruminant feed (protein absorbed in the small intestine), the proportion of degradable protein given in the feed table shall be used in the calculation. The energy value of roughage for ruminants and equines may also be calculated on the basis of the concentration of digestible organic material (the D value).

The energy value of compound feed shall be determined and declared as follows:

- the energy values of compound feeds intended for ruminants and equines are calculatory, based on the sum of the energy values of the individual feed materials contained in the compound feed, and they may be declared as metabolisable energy;
- the energy values of compound feeds intended for pigs are calculatory, based on the sum of the energy values of the individual feed materials contained in the compound feed, and they may be declared as net energy;
- 3) the energy values of compound feeds intended for poultry and fur animals are determined based on the results of an analysis of certain nutrients in the compound feed, and they may be declared as metabolisable energy.

The protein values of compound feeds intended for pigs, ruminants, equines and fur animals are calculatory, based on the sum of the protein values of the feed materials contained in the compound feeds.

A feed business operator shall keep records of information on the nutritional composition determined for the feed materials and declare this to the Finnish Food Authority upon request if the determined nutritional compositions are used in the calculation instead of the values in the feed table.

The declaration of the energy and protein value in feed is voluntary.

Chapter 7

Requirements concerning the recording of information

Section 26 (1/2020) Keeping and storing records

A feed business operator shall keep a file containing information relating to the operator's activities in accordance with section 19 of the Feed Act. The file shall be kept in writing, using an automatic information processing system or in another similar manner.

A business operator in the primary production of feed shall keep records, as applicable, of any matters mentioned in Annex 8 to this Decree.

Provisions on the record keeping obligation of a business operator other than one in the primary production of feed are laid down in Annex II to the Feed Hygiene Regulation. Provisions on records to be kept by business operators dispatching, transporting or receiving animal by-products are laid down in the Animal By-Products Regulation. Provisions on the record keeping obligation of feed business operators supplying milk products for feeding food-producing animals are laid down in the Decree of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry on Animal By-Products (783/2015). Provisions on record keeping obligation concerning the production and supply of medicated feeds are laid down in the Decree of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry on Medicated Feeds (10/EEO/2008).

A feed business operator shall store the records under Annex 8 to this Decree and Annex II to the Feed Hygiene Regulation for at least five years. Provisions on storing records concerning the use of plant protection products are laid down separately in Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market and repealing Council Directives 79/117/EEC and 91/414/EEC.

Chapter 8, sections 27 and 28 were repealed by 960/2014.

Chapter 9 Miscellaneous provisions

Section 29 Entry into force

This Decree enters into force on 24 October 2012.

This Decree repeals the Decision of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry on feed materials (40/1999), Decision of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry on compound feeds (41/1999), Decree of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry on the pursuit of activities in the animal feed sector (712/2008), and Decree of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry on undesirable substances, products and organisms (11/2010).

This Decree has been notified in accordance with Directive 98/34/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, as amended by 98/48/EC.

Section 30

Section 30 – Transitional provisions

The sampling obligation referred to in sections 13 and 15-20 enters into force as from 1 January 2013.

The heat treatment obligation referred to in section 23 enters into force six months after the date of entry into force of this Decree in respect of compound feeds for poultry and two years after the date of entry into force of this Decree in respect of compound feeds for pigs and bovines.

Decree of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry amending the Decree of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry on the pursuit of activities in the animal feed sector (960/2014) enters into force on 15 December 2014.

Decree of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry amending the Decree of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry on the pursuit of activities in the animal feed sector (1/2020) enters into force on 9 January 2020.

ANNEX 1 (960/2014, 1/2020)

OPERATIONS RELATING TO THE REGISTRATION NOTIFICATION

Chapter

I:

- Operations referred to in section 4, subsection 1, paragraph 1 of this Decree concerning a business operator in primary production:
 - a) production of feed;
 - b) mixing of feed; and
 - c) use of feed¹.

Chapter

II:

Operations referred to in section 4, subsection 1, paragraph 2 of this Decree concerning a business operator other than one in primary production:

- 1) producer of additives²;
- 2) producer of premixtures;
- 3) producer of feed materials;
- 4) producer of compound feeds;
- 5) mobile mixer;
- 6) retail trade³;
- 7) wholesale trade;
- 8) storage company, bulk feed;
- 9) storage company, packaged feed;
- 10) transport company, bulk feed;
- 11) transport company, packaged feed;
- 12) importer within the internal market;
- 13) importer, third-country representative⁴;
- 14) other placer on the market;
- 15) exporter;
- 16) producer of feed intended for particular nutritional purposes;
- 17) detoxification establishment.

Chapter

III:

Types of products referred to in section 4, subsection 1, paragraph 2 of this Decree concerning a business operator other than one in primary production:

- 1) pet foods (including food for wild birds);
- 2) by-products and derived products; Category 2; classification according to the Animal By-Products Regulation;
- 3) by-products and derived products; Category 3; classification according to the Animal By-Products Regulation;
- 4) fishmeal and feeds containing fishmeal (including dicalcium phosphate and tricalcium phosphate of animal origin, blood products and blood meal);
- 5) feeds for food-producing animals;
- 6) feeds for fur animals;
- 7) medicated feeds ⁵.

³ The registration obligation does not apply to business operators that exclusively pursue the retail trade of pet foods.

¹ If unweaned food-producing ruminants are fed milk replacer feed containing fishmeal, this shall be reported separately to the Finnish Food Authority in accordance with Commission Regulation (EC) No 956/2008 amending Annex IV to Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down rules for the prevention, control and eradication of certain transmissible spongiform encephalopathies.

 $^{^{2}}$ Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council on additives for use in animal nutrition.

⁴ A feed business operator that imports products referred to in Annex 4 to this Decree to Finland.

⁵ Medicated feeds may only be produced or re-sold by a business operator approved separately for this purpose.

ANNEX 2 (960/2014)

PART A

STRUCTURE OF THE APPROVAL NUMBER UNDER SECTION 7

1.2.	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.6
α FI	One character is used to show if a producer of additives	One character is used to show if a producer of premixtures or certain feeds intended for particular nutritional purposes	One character is used to show if a producer of compound feed	One character is used to show if a placer on the market	One character is used to show if a producer and placer on the market of certain products derived from vegetable oils, blended oils and blended fats for feed use	Three digits are reserved for the serial number

1. The symbol " α " shows that the feed business establishment has been approved

2. ISO code of the Member State, which is FI for Finland

3. National reference number including no more than eight alphanumerical characters

3.1. The first character is 1 if the establishment is a producer of additives mentioned in paragraph 1 of Annex 4 to this Decree, otherwise 2

3.2. The second character is 1 if the establishment is a producer of premixtures from additives mentioned in paragraph 2.1 or feeds intended for particular nutritional purposes mentioned in paragraph 2.2 of Annex 4 to this Decree, otherwise 2

3.3. The third character is 1 if the establishment is a user of additives mentioned in paragraph 3 of Annex 4 to this Decree or premixtures containing these in producing compound feed, otherwise 2

3.4. The fourth character is 1 if the establishment is a placer on the market of additives mentioned in Annex 4 to this Decree or premixtures containing these, otherwise 2

3.5 The fifth character is 1 if the establishment practises operations under paragraph 10 of Annex II to the Feed Hygiene Regulation, otherwise 0

3.6–3.8 Three digits give the serial number of an individual establishment

PART B

STRUCTURE OF THE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER UNDER SECTION 7

1. 2.

ISO 8 digits are reserved for the serial number

code

1. The ISO code of the Member State or third country where the production establishment is located

2. National reference number including no more than eight alphanumerical characters

ANNEX 3

FEED MATERIAL CATEGORIES INCLUDING HIGH-RISK FEEDS REFERRED TO IN SECTIONS 15–19

Feed material category	Examples of feeds falling under the category
Cereal grains	Oats, barley, rye, wheat, rice, maize
Products and by-products obtained from cereal grains ¹⁾	Wheat gluten, bran, middlings, maize gluten, maize starch, distillers' grains, brewers' grains
Seeds and fruits of oil plants	Groundnut, soya bean, sunflower seeds, rape seeds, turnip rape seeds, cotton seeds, flax seeds and sesame seeds
Products and by-products obtained from seeds and fruits of oil plants ²)	Rapeseed, turnip rape seed, coconut, palm and soya expellers, meals and proteins
Legume seeds, and products and by-products obtained from them	Pea middlings
Other seeds and fruits, and products and by-products obtained from them	By-products and mass from pressing (e.g. citrus pulp)
Fish, other aquatic animals, and products and by-products obtained from them ³	Fishmeal

1) The sampling obligation does not apply to hydrolysed by-products of cereal starch (e.g. barley molasses) or to products and by-products obtained from cereal starch saccharification (dextrose, dextrose molasses, etc.). The sampling obligation does also not apply to products and dough from the bakery industry.

2) The sampling obligation does not apply to vegetable oils

3) The sampling obligation does not apply to fish oils

ANNEX 4

PRODUCTS REFERRED TO IN SECTION 9, SUBSECTION 4

1.	ADDITIVES	
	1.1 Technological additives:	• additives falling under category 1(b) ("antioxidants") of Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 with a confirmed maximum concentration
	1.2 Sensory additives:	• additives falling under category 2(a) ("colourants") of Annex I to Regulation (EC) 1831/2003: carotenoids and xanthophylls
	1.3 Nutritional additives:	• all additives falling under category 3 in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003
	1.4 Additives affecting animal production:	• all additives falling under category 4 in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003
	1.5 Category of coccidiostats and histomonostats:	• all additives
2.	PREMIXTURES	
	2.1 Nutritional additives:	 additives falling under category 3(a) ("vitamins, provitamins and chemically well-defined substances having similar effect") in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003: A and D additives falling under category 3(b) ("compounds of trace elements") in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003: Cu and Se
	2.2 Additives affecting animal production:	• additives falling under category 4(d) ("other zootechnical additives") in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003
	2.3 Category of coccidiostats and histomonostats:	• all additives

3. COMPOUND FEEDS

3.1. Additives affecting animal production • additives falling under category 4(d) ("other zootechnical additives") in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003

3.1 Category of coccidiostats and histomonostats:

• all additives

ANNEX 5

FEED MATERIAL GROUPS THAT MAY BE GIVEN INSTEAD OF THE NAME OF THE INDIVIDUAL FEED MATERIALS IN COMPOUND FEEDS FOR PETS

	Feed material group	Definition
1.	Meat products and products of animal origin	Fresh or suitably preserved fleshy parts obtained from warm-blooded land animals, and preparations and products originating from the processing of the carcases, or parts of carcases, of warm-blooded land animals
2.	Milk and milk preparations	Fresh or suitably processed preparations, and by-products generated by their processing
3.	Eggs and egg preparations	Fresh or suitably processed egg preparations, and by-products generated by their processing
4.	Fats and oils	Animal and plant fats and oils
5.	Yeasts	Killed, dried yeast cells
6.	Fish and fish products	Fresh or suitably preserved fish, and parts of fish, and by-products generated by their processing
7.	Cereals	Cereals, irrespective of the degree of grinding, or products produced from starchy endosperm
8	Vegetables	Fresh or suitably preserved vegetables and legumes
9.	Products of plant origin	Products particularly generated by the processing of cereals, plants, legumes and oil plant seeds
10.	Protein concentrates of plant origin	Products of plant origin where the protein has been enriched through processing to make a concentrate with at least 50% raw protein of dry matter and where it has been possible to modify the protein structure
11.	Minerals	Inorganic substances suitable for animal feed
12.	Sugars	Various sugars
13.	Fruits	Fresh or suitably preserved fruits
14.	Nuts	Nut kernels
15.	Seeds	Seeds, whole or coarsely ground
16.	Marine algae	Fresh or suitably preserved marine algae
17.	Molluses and crustaceans	Fresh or suitably preserved molluscs, crustaceans, marine animals in shell, and by-products generated by their processing
18.	Insects	Insects and their different development stages
19.	Bakery products	Breads, cakes, biscuits and pasta preparations

ANNEX 8

RECORD KEEPING REQUIREMENTS FOR A BUSINESS OPERATOR IN PRIMARY PRODUCTION UNDER SECTION 26

a) In the case of feeds for animals intended for food production ¹⁾ for each species and group of animal:

- the name or type of the feed ²⁾ and quantity of the feed
- the name and address of the feed seller/supplier, the date of supply of the feed and the identification number of the feed warehouse to which the feed in question was delivered 3)
- date when the use of feed was stopped if the use involves a withholding period

b) For feed sold/supplied from the farm:

- name or type of the feed and quantity of the feed
- name and address of the buyer/recipient of the feed, and the date of supply of the feed

c) Results of samples taken from the feed

d) For the use of plant protection products and biocides:

- the name and quantity of the plant protection product or biocide used
- date of use

To meet the record keeping requirement concerning feeds, it is sufficient to save the receipts of purchase and/or sale or other similar supporting documents, including parcel-specific records, provided that they show the above-mentioned information required for the records.

To meet the record keeping requirement concerning results from tests on feed, it is sufficient to save the test certificates from these.

If a farmer has given a commitment under the agri-environmental scheme, the records kept on the use of plant protection products in accordance with the conditions for the environmental aid are also sufficient with respect to the requirements concerning feed.

¹⁾ also applies to feed produced on the farm

²⁾ e.g. rapeseed meal

³⁾ The processing industry has drawn up guidelines on the labelling necessary to identify feed warehouses and on their use on livestock farms. The guidelines are available on the website of the Animal Health ETT at <u>www.ett.fi</u> (in Finnish). Compliance with the guidelines is voluntary.