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List of Animals and Products Subject to Traceability

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Livestock and Products

Poultry and Products

Dairy and Products

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Report Highlights:

This report contains an unofficial translation of Tunisia's order fixing the list of animals and animal products subject to traceability, which includes (1) bovine, their meat and their milk; (2) ovine, their meat and their milk; (3) caprine, their meat and their milk; (4) camelids and their meat; (5) equine and their meat; (6) poultry, their meat and eggs; (7) rabbits and their meat; (8) ostriches, their meat and their eggs; and (9) snails and their derivatives. Tunisia's imports of such products total \$15-50 million annually.

Order of the Minister of Agriculture and the Minister of Health of May 31, 2012, fixing the list of animals and their products concerned by traceability, and its modalities

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND THE MINISTER OF HEALTH,

Having regard to Constitutional [Law n ° 2011-6](#) of December 16, 2011, on the provisional organization of the public authorities,

Having regard to [Law n ° 2005-95](#) of October 18, 2005, relative to the Animal Husbandry Law as modified by [Law n ° 2007-54](#) of August 8, 2007 relating to the fight against doping in the sport, and in particular Article 31,

Having regard to [Decree No 2010-360](#) of March, 1 2010, approving the master plan for slaughterhouses,

Having regard to [Decree No. 2011-4796](#) of December 29, 2011, appointing members of the Government,

Having regard to [Order](#) of the Minister of Agriculture and Water Resources of May 26, 2006, setting the terms of veterinary health control, the conditions for granting sanitary approval of establishments producing, processing and packaging animal products

Having regard to the [Order](#) of the Minister of Agriculture and Water Resources of August 1, 2006, determining the form and content of the health stamp and the categories of meat concerned,

Having regard to the [Order](#) of the Minister of Agriculture and Water Resources water resources of January 11, 2007, laying down the technical and sanitary conditions for the transport of the animals concerned by the identification,

Having regard to the [Order](#) of the Minister of Agriculture and Water Resources of August 9, 2007, fixing the list of small animals,

Having regard to the [Order](#) of the Ministers of Commerce and Handicrafts, Public Health, Industry, Trade and Industry, and small and medium-sized enterprises of September 3, 2008, on the labeling and presentation of prepackaged foods,

Having regard to the [Order](#) of the Minister of Agriculture and Water Resources and the Ministry of the Interior and Local Development and the Minister of Public Health of November 29, 2008, approving the specifications for the equipment and the means of transport of meat and offal,

Having regard to the [Order](#) of the Minister of Agriculture, Water Resources and Fisheries of September 20, 2010, fixing the records of the identification of animals and the procedure of identification,

Having regard to the [Order](#) of the Minister of Agriculture, Water Resources and Fisheries of October 7, 2010, laying down the technical and sanitary conditions for the transport of poultry, small animals and their products,

Having regard to the [Order](#) of the Minister of Agriculture and the Environment of December 9, 2011, fixing the list of animals concerned by identification,

ORDERS:

Article 1 - This Order establishes the list fixing the list of animals and their products concerned by traceability, and its modalities during the periods of raising, production, processing, storage, marketing and transport.

Art. 2 - The list of animals concerned by traceability and their products is as follows:

- Bovine, their meat and their milk.
- Ovine, their meat and their milk.
- Caprine, their meat and their milk.
- Camelids and their meat.
- Equine and their meat.
- Poultry, their meat and eggs.
- Rabbits and their meat.
- Ostriches, their meat and their eggs.
- Snails and their derivatives.

Art. 3 - The traceability of animals and animal products is based on the following operations:

- The traceability of the animals during the raising.
- Traceability of animal products during the period of production, processing, storage, marketing, and transport.

Art. 4 - The traceability of the animals during the period of the raising includes the following operations:

- The identification of the raising and production sites of all the categories of animals concerned,
- The identification of animals in a continuous individual or lot manner according to the species,
- The monitoring and management of animal movements during entry and exit and accompanying documents during their movements until slaughter,
- Registration and safeguarding of animal data and health monitoring from birth to marketing or slaughter.

Art. 5 - The traceability of animal products includes the following operations:

- Identification of the places of slaughter, cutting, processing and storage and marketing,
- The individual or collective identification of the products in lots with a number or code making possible to ensure the link with the animals or groups of living animals, and preservation of said link in a continuous manner,
- The monitoring and management of animal product movements until they are sold to the consumer in their natural or processed state, and establishing links with production, processing, packaging and storage sites,
- The recording and safeguarding of product data from production to consumption through all stages of marketing and distribution.

Art. 6 - The management of the traceability of animals and animal products and their control shall be ensured by the competent departments under the Ministry of Agriculture in accordance with the specific system for each category and according to the production methods set by [Joint Order](#) of the Minister of Agriculture and the Minister of Health.

Art. 7 - This Order will be published in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Tunisia.

Tunis, May 31, 2012

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