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amending Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 as regards the entries for Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States in the lists of third countries, territories, or zones thereof authorised for the entry into the Union of consignments of poultry and germinal products of poultry, and of fresh meat of poultry and game birds

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2016 on transmissible animal diseases and amending and repealing certain acts in the area of animal health ('Animal Health Law') ([1]), and in particular Article 230(1), Article 232(1), point (b) and Article 232(3), point (b) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Regulation (EU) 2016/429 provides that consignments of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin from third countries or territories are only to be allowed to enter into the Union if the third countries or territories concerned are listed in accordance with Article 230(1) of that Regulation.

(2) Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692 ([2]) lays down the animal health requirements that consignments of certain species and categories of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin, from third countries, territories, or zones thereof, or compartments thereof in the case of aquaculture animals, must comply with in order to enter the Union.

(3) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 ([3]) lays down the lists of third countries, territories, or zones thereof, from which the entry into the Union of the species and categories of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin, falling within the scope of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692, is permitted. Those lists and certain general rules concerning those lists are set out in Annexes I to XXII to that Implementing Regulation.

(4) Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 set out the lists of third countries, territories, or zones thereof, authorised for the entry into the Union, respectively, of consignments of poultry and germinal products of poultry, and of fresh meat of poultry and game birds.

(5) Canada has notified the Commission of 14 new outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in poultry in the provinces of Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Quebec, which were confirmed between 30 October 2026 and 16 November 2026 by laboratory analysis (RT-PCR).

([1]) OJ L 84, 31.3.2016, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/429/oj.

([2]) Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692 of 30 January 2020 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards rules for entry into the Union, and the movement and handling after entry of consignments of certain animals, germinal products and products of animal origin (OJ L 174, 3.6.2020, p. 379, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_del/2020/692/oj).

([3]) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 of 24 March 2021 laying down the lists of third countries, territories or zones thereof from which the entry into the Union of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin is permitted in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 114, 31.3.2021, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2021/404/oj).

(6) The United Kingdom has notified the Commission of seven new outbreaks of HPAI in poultry in the counties of East Riding of Yorkshire, Lancashire, Lincolnshire, and Norfolk, in England, and in the council area of Orkney, in Scotland, which were confirmed between 4 November 2026 and 12 November 2026 by laboratory analysis (RT-PCR).

(7) The United States has notified the Commission of seven new outbreaks of HPAI in poultry in the states of California, Idaho, Kansas, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah and Washington, which were confirmed between 4 November 2026 and 12 November 2026 by laboratory analysis (RT-PCR).

(8) Following those recent outbreaks of HPAI, the veterinary authorities of Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States notified the establishment of restricted zones of at least 10 km around the affected establishments and the implementation of a stamping-out policy to control the presence of HPAI and limit the spread of that disease.

(9) Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States have submitted further information to the Commission on the epidemiological situation on their respective territories and the measures that were taken to prevent the further spread of HPAI following those recent HPAI outbreaks.

(10) The information provided by Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States has been evaluated by the Commission. In view of the animal health situation in the areas under restrictions established by the veterinary authorities of Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States, it is appropriate to suspend the entry into the Union of consignments of poultry and germinal products of poultry, and of fresh meat of poultry and game birds from the areas concerned by the new outbreaks in those third countries in order to protect the animal health status of the Union, taking into account the dates when the outbreaks were confirmed. Therefore, the entries for Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States in the tables set out in Section B of Part 1 and in Part 2 of Annex V, and the table set out in Section B of Part 1 of Annex XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 should be amended accordingly.

(11) In addition, Canada has provided updated information to the Commission in relation to the epidemiological situation on its territory as regards three earlier outbreaks of HPAI that gave rise to the suspension of the entry into the Union of consignments of poultry and germinal products of poultry, and of fresh meat of poultry and game birds, as set out in the table in Section B of Part 1 of Annex V, and in the table in Section B of Part 1 of Annex XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404.

(12) Canada has informed the Commission that, following those earlier outbreaks of HPAI, it had implemented a stamping out policy in order to control and limit the spread of that disease, and it had also completed the requisite cleaning and disinfection following the implementation of the stamping out policy in the infected poultry establishments.

(13) The Commission has evaluated the information submitted by Canada in that regard and considers that it has provided appropriate guarantees that the animal health situation that had given rise to the suspension of the entry of consignments of poultry and germinal products of poultry, and of fresh meat of poultry and game birds into the Union from the affected zones, as set out in the table in Section B of Part 1 of Annex V, and in the table in Section B of Part 1 of Annex XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404, no longer represents a threat to animal or public health in the Union, and that, consequently, the entry into the Union of those consignments from the affected zones of Canada, from which entry into the Union had been suspended, should be re-authorised. Therefore, the entries for Canada in those tables in those Annexes should be amended accordingly.

(14) Taking into account the HPAI outbreaks in Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States and in order to avoid any unnecessary disruption in trade with Canada, the amendments to be made to Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 by this Regulation should take effect as a matter of urgency.

(15) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 are amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 20 November 2026.

For the Commission
The President
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

ANNEX

Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 are amended as follows:

(1) Annex V is amended as follows:

(a) in Part 1, Section B is amended as follows:

(i) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zones CA-2.280, CA-2.281 and CA-2.282 are replaced by the following:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.280	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		11.11.2026	
	CA-2.281		N, P1		11.11.2026	
	CA-2.282		N, P1		11.11.2026'	

(ii) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zones CA-2.292 and CA-2.293 are replaced by the following:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.292	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		6.11.2026	
	CA-2.293		N, P1		6.11.2026'	

(iii) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zones CA-2.295 and CA-2.296 are replaced by the following:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.295	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		12.11.2026	
	CA-2.296		N, P1		12.11.2026'	

(iv) in the entry for Canada, the row for the zone CA-2.342 is replaced by the following:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.342	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		21.9.2026	13.11.2026'

(v) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zones CA-2.345 and CA-2.346 are replaced by the following:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.345	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		25.9.2026	13.11.2026
	CA-2.346		N, P1		1.10.2026	14.11.2026'

(vi) in the entry for Canada, the following rows for the zones CA-2.356 to CA-2.366 are added after the row for the zone CA-2.355:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.356	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		30.10.2026	
	CA-2.357		N, P1		1.11.2026	
	CA-2.358		N, P1		5.11.2026	
	CA-2.359		N, P1		4.11.2026	
	CA-2.360		N, P1		5.11.2026	
	CA-2.361		N, P1		9.11.2026	
	CA-2.362		N, P1		10.11.2026	
	CA-2.363		N, P1		12.11.2026	
	CA-2.364		N, P1		16.11.2026	
	CA-2.365		N, P1		16.11.2026	
	CA-2.366		N, P1		14.11.2026'	

(vii) in the entry for the United Kingdom, the rows for the zones GB-2.474 to GB-2.480 are added after the row for the zone GB-2.473:

'**GB** United Kingdom	GB-2.474	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		4.11.2026	
	GB-2.475		N, P1		7.11.2026	
	GB-2.476		N, P1		7.11.2026	
	GB-2.477		N, P1		9.11.2026	
	GB-2.478		N, P1		11.11.2026	
	GB-2.479		N, P1		12.11.2026	
	GB-2.480		N, P1		12.11.2026'	

(viii) in the entry for the United States, the following rows for the zones US-2.1437 to US-2.1443 are added after the row for the zone US-2.1436:

'**US** United States	US-2.1437	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU-LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		4.11.2026	
	US-2.1438		N, P1		4.11.2026	
	US-2.1439		N, P1		4.11.2026	
	US-2.1440		N, P1		5.11.2026	
	US-2.1441		N, P1		6.11.2026	
	US-2.1442		N, P1		6.11.2026	
	US-2.1443		N, P1		12.11.2026'	

(b) Part 2 is amended as follows:

(i) in the entry for Canada, the following descriptions of the zones CA-2.356 to CA-2.366 are added after the row for the zone CA-2.355:

‘Canada	CA-2.356	Alberta – Latitude 52.76, Longitude -113.08 The municipalities involved are: 3km PZ: Wetaskiwin 10km SZ: Camrose, Ferintosh, Maskwacis, Ponoka, Samson, and Wetaskiwin
	CA-2.357	Manitoba – Latitude 50.27, Longitude -98.061 The municipalities involved are: 3km PZ: Portage la Praire 10km SZ: Delta Beach, High Bluffs, Oakland, Portage la Praire, and Saint Marks
	CA-2.358	Quebec – Latitude 47.02, Longitude -70.8 The municipalities involved are: 3km PZ: L'Île-d'Orléans, Sainte-Famille-de-Îled'Orléans and Saint-Jean-de-l'Île-d'Orléans 10km SZ: L'Île-d'Orléans, Saint-François-del'Île-d'Orléans, Sainte-Famille-de-l'Îled'Orléans, Saint-Jean-de-l'Île-d'Orléans, Saint-Laurent-de-l'Île-d'Orléans, and Saint-Pierre-del'Île-d'Orléans
	CA-2.359	Alberta – Latitude 53.91, Longitude -113.71 The municipalities involved are: 3km PZ: Sturgeon, Vimy and Westlock 10km SZ: Alcomdale, Busby, Legal, Pickardville, Sturgeon, Vimy and Westlock
	CA-2.360	Alberta – Latitude 52.76, Longitude -114.55 The municipalities involved are: 3km PZ: Bluffton and Ponoka 10km SZ: Bluffton, Clearwater, Hoadley, Ponoka, Wetaskiwin
	CA-2.361	Alberta – Latitude 54.49, Longitude -113.86 The municipalities involved are: 3km PZ: Westlock County 10km SZ: Westlock County, Lesser Slave River
	CA-2.362	Saskatchewan – Latitude 52.28, Longitude -105.76 The municipalities involved are: 3km PZ: Bayne 10km SZ: Bayne, Grant, Prud’homme
	CA-2.363	Saskatchewan – Latitude 52.15, Longitude -102.66 The municipalities involved are: 3km PZ: Endeavor and Preeceville 10km SZ: Endeavor, Hinchliffe, Preeceville, Usherville
	CA-2.364	Manitoba – Latitude 49.89, Longitude -97.52 The municipalities involved are: 3km PZ: Cartier and St. François Xavier 10km SZ: Cartier, Dacotah, Headingley, Macdonald, Rosser, Springstein, St. François Xavier
	CA-2.365	Alberta – Latitude 50.71, Longitude -113.36 The municipalities involved are: 3km PZ: Mossleigh and Vulvan 10km SZ:Blackie, Foothills, Mossleigh and Vulvan
	CA-2.366	Saskatchewan – Latitude 54, Longitude -108.91 The municipalities involved are: 3km PZ: Loon Lake 10km SZ: Loon Lake, Makwa, Meadow Lake’

(ii) in the entry for the United Kingdom, the following descriptions of the zones GB-2.474 to GB-2.480 are added after the description of the zone GB-2.473:

'United Kingdom	GB-2.474	near Brigg, North Lincolnshire, Lincolnshire, England, GB the area contained with a circle of a radius of 10 km, centred on WGS84 dec, coordinates Lat: N53.50 and Long: W0.53
	GB-2.475	near Garstang, Wyre, Lancashire, England, GB the area contained with a circle of a radius of 10 km, centred on WGS84 dec, coordinates Lat: N53.90 and Long: W2.88
	GB-2.476	near Pocklington, East Riding of Yorkshire, East Riding of Yorkshire, England, GB the area contained with a circle of a radius of 10 km, centred on WGS84 dec, coordinates Lat: N53.88 and Long: W0.90
	GB-2.477	near Dersingham, King's Lynn and West Norfolk, Norfolk, England, GB the area contained with a circle of a radius of 10 km, centred on WGS84 dec, coordinates Lat: N52.82 and Long: E0.56
	GB-2.478	near Market Rasen, West Lyndsey, Lincolnshire, England, GB the area contained with a circle of a radius of 10 km, centred on WGS84 dec, coordinates Lat: N53.38 and Long: W0.49
	GB-2.479	near Dereham, Breckland, Norfolk, England, GB the area contained with a circle of a radius of 10 km, centred on WGS84 dec, coordinates Lat: N52.76 and Long: E0.87
	GB-2.480	near Stromness, Orkney, Scotland, GB the area contained with a circle of a radius of 10 km, centred on WGS84 dec, coordinates Lat: N58.98 and Long: W3.30'

(iii) in the entry for the United States, the following descriptions of the zones US-2.1437 to US-2.1443 are added after the description of the zone US-2.1436:

'United States	US-2.1437	State of Oregon Clackamas 04 Clackamas County: A circular zone of a 10 km radius starting with North point (GPS coordinates: 122.8271753°W 45.3596792°N)
	US-2.1438	State of Washington Pierce 09 Pierce County: A circular zone of a 10 km radius starting with North point (GPS coordinates: 122.5189246°W 46.9790624°N)
	US-2.1439	State of South Dakota Beadle 23 Beadle County: A circular zone of a 10 km radius starting with North point (GPS coordinates: 97.9602797°W 44.7087578°N)

	US-2.1440	State of Idaho Gooding 04 Gooding County: A circular zone of a 10 km radius starting with North point (GPS coordinates: 114.7966023°W 42.8142361°N)
	US-2.1441	State of California Placer 04 Placer County: A circular zone of a 10 km radius starting with North point (GPS coordinates: 121.1442019°W 38.9218822°N)
	US-2.1442	State of Kansas Greeley 02 Greeley County: A circular zone of a 10 km radius starting with North point (GPS coordinates: 101.8033364°W 38.5675828°N)
	US-2.1443	State of Utah Cache 07 Cache County: A circular zone of a 10 km radius starting with North point (GPS coordinates: 111.8641641°W 41.6574400°N)'

(2) in Annex XIV, in Part 1, Section B is amended as follows:

(a) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zones CA-2.280, CA-2.281 and CA-2.282 are replaced by the following:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.280	POU, RAT	N, P1		11.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		11.11.2026	
	CA-2.281	POU, RAT	N, P1		11.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		11.11.2026	
	CA-2.282	POU, RAT	N, P1		11.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		11.11.2026'	

(b) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zones CA-2.292 and CA-2.293 are replaced by the following:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.292	POU, RAT	N, P1		6.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		6.11.2026	
	CA-2.293	POU, RAT	N, P1		6.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		6.11.2026'	

(c) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zones CA-2.295 and CA-2.296 are replaced by the following:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.295	POU, RAT	N, P1		12.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		12.11.2026	
	CA-2.296	POU, RAT	N, P1		12.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		12.11.2026'	

(d) in the entry for Canada, the row for the zone CA-2.342 is replaced by the following:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.342	POU, RAT	N, P1		21.9.2026	13.11.2026
		GBM	P1		21.9.2026	13.11.2026'

(e) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zones CA-2.345 and CA-2.346 are replaced by the following:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.245	POU, RAT	N, P1		25.9.2026	13.11.2026
		GBM	P1		25.9.2026	13.11.2026
	CA-2.246	POU, RAT	N, P1		1.10.2026	14.11.2026
		GBM	P1		1.10.2026	14.11.2026'

(f) in the entry for Canada, the following rows for the zones CA-2.356 to CA-2.366 are added after the row for the zone CA-2.355:

'**CA** Canada	CA-2.356	POU, RAT	N, P1		30.10.2026	
		GBM	P1		30.10.2026	
	CA-2.357	POU, RAT	N, P1		1.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		1.11.2026	
	CA-2.358	POU, RAT	N, P1		5.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		5.11.2026	
	CA-2.359	POU, RAT	N, P1		4.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		4.11.2026	
	CA-2.360	POU, RAT	N, P1		5.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		5.11.2026	
	CA-2.361	POU, RAT	N, P1		9.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		9.11.2026	
	CA-2.362	POU, RAT	N, P1		10.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		10.11.2026	
	CA-2.363	POU, RAT	N, P1		12.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		12.11.2026	
	CA-2.364	POU, RAT	N, P1		16.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		16.11.2026	
	CA-2.365	POU, RAT	N, P1		16.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		16.11.2026	
	CA-2.366	POU, RAT	N, P1		14.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		14.11.2026'	

(g) in the entry for the United Kingdom, the following rows for the zones GB-2.474 to GB-2.480 are added after the row for the zone GB-2.473:

'**GB** United Kingdom	GB-2.474	POU, RAT	N, P1		4.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		4.11.2026	
	GB-2.475	POU, RAT	N, P1		7.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		7.11.2026	
	GB-2.476	POU, RAT	N, P1		7.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		7.11.2026	

	GB-2.477	POU, RAT	N, P1		9.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		9.11.2026	
	GB-2.478	POU, RAT	N, P1		11.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		11.11.2026	
	GB-2.479	POU, RAT	N, P1		12.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		12.11.2026	
	GB-2.480	POU, RAT	N, P1		12.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		12.11.2026’	

(h) in the entry for the United States, the following rows for the zones US-2.1437 to US-2.1443 are added after the row for the zone US-2.1436:

‘**US** United States	US-2.1437	POU, RAT	N, P1		4.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		4.11.2026	
	US-2.1438	POU, RAT	N, P1		4.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		4.11.2026	
	US-2.1439	POU, RAT	N, P1		4.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		4.11.2026	
	US-2.1440	POU, RAT	N, P1		5.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		5.11.2026	
	US-2.1441	POU, RAT	N, P1		6.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		6.11.2026	
	US-2.1442	POU, RAT	N, P1		6.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		6.11.2026	
	US-2.1443	POU, RAT	N, P1		12.11.2026	
		GBM	P1		12.11.2026’	