

Procedure for the monitoring, control and combating of caprine arthritis encephalitis

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1. General provisions

1. This Regulation lays down procedures for the monitoring, control and combating of caprine arthritis encephalitis in animals of the caprine species (hereinafter also referred to as 'animals').

2. For the purposes of this Regulation, a 'holding' is a space, building or enclosed area registered in the Latvian Rural Support Service's register of farm animals, herds and holdings (hereinafter referred to as the Latvian Rural Support Service register) intended for keeping animals, and which constitutes a separate epidemiological unit in which the animals have the same health status, but if the animals are kept indoors, all animals sharing the same airspace shall be considered as such a unit.

3. In order to determine the presence of caprine arthritis encephalitis provirus or antibodies against the causative agent of caprine arthritis encephalitis in a laboratory, during monitoring and control measures, a blood sample from the animal (hereinafter referred to as 'self-control sample') or, during combating measures, a blood or spleen sample from the animal or its carcass (hereinafter referred to as 'control sample') shall be taken by a practising veterinarian. A self-control sample and a control sample (hereinafter both together referred to as 'sample') may not be taken within 10 days before and after the doe gives birth.

4. Samples for serological testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis-specific antibodies or molecular biological and virological testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis provirus (hereinafter referred to as 'laboratory testing') shall be sent by a practising veterinarian, the owner or keeper of the animals, or a breeders' association representing the owner or keeper of the animals (hereinafter referred to as 'breeders' association').

5. Samples for laboratory testing shall be sent to the State Scientific Institute of Food Safety, Animal Health and Environment 'BIOR' (hereinafter referred to as the 'national reference laboratory') or to a laboratory or a reference laboratory accredited by another Member State of the European Union (hereinafter referred to as the 'laboratory of another Member State') for the diagnosis of caprine arthritis encephalitis.

6. The owner or keeper of the animal shall bear the costs of sampling, packaging and sending the sample to the national reference laboratory or a laboratory in another Member State, laboratory testing and other related costs.

7. The national reference laboratory shall, after the laboratory testing of the sample, send the results in electronic form to:

7.1. to the person who ordered the examination and the person designated by them, in accordance with the information provided in the accompanying letter;

7.2. to the Latvian Rural Support Service:

7.2.1. if the examinations were carried out while performing public administration tasks and the Latvian Food and Veterinary Service is the commissioner of the examinations;

7.2.2. if the person ordering the examinations has indicated it as the addressee in the accompanying letter.

8. Where a sample is sent for laboratory testing to a laboratory in another Member State, the owner or keeper of the animals shall send the results of the laboratory tests to the breeding association or the practising veterinarian within two weeks of receiving them.

9. The association of animal breeders or a practising veterinarian shall, within five working days after receipt of the results of the laboratory tests referred to in Paragraph 8 of this Regulation, register them in the Latvian Rural Support Service register.

10. The Latvian Food and Veterinary Service:

10.1. assigns and retains:

10.1.1. the status of a holding recovered from caprine arthritis encephalitis (hereinafter referred to as 'M1 status'), which is obtained in accordance with Sub-chapter 2.1 of this Regulation and is granted and maintained in accordance with the requirements of Sub-chapter 2.2 of this Regulation and which corresponds to the lowest status level;

10.1.2. the status of a caprine arthritis encephalitis-free holding (hereinafter referred to as 'M2 status'), which is obtained in accordance with Sub-chapter 2.1 of this Regulation and is granted and maintained in accordance with the requirements of Sub-chapter 2.3 of this Regulation and which corresponds to the average status level;

10.1.3. the status of an officially caprine arthritis encephalitis-free holding (hereinafter referred to as 'M3 status'), which is obtained in accordance with Sub-chapter 2.1 of this Regulation and granted and maintained in accordance with the requirements of Sub-chapter 2.4 of this Regulation and which conforms to the highest status level;

10.1.4 the status of a holding affected by caprine arthritis encephalitis (hereinafter referred to as 'MP status') where an animal is infected with caprine arthritis encephalitis in accordance with Paragraph 41 of this Regulation or where an animal suspected of being infected with caprine arthritis encephalitis kept in an M2 or M3 holding has not been subjected to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis in accordance with Paragraphs 36, 37, 38 or 39 of this Regulation and in the case referred to in Paragraph 45 of this Regulation;

10.2. revokes the M1, M2 or M3 status assigned to a holding if:

10.2.1. the requirements for maintaining the status referred to in Paragraphs 26, 29 or 32 of this Regulation have not been complied with in the holding;

10.2.2. the owner or keeper of the animals has submitted an application to the Food and Veterinary Service regarding the suspension of compliance with the conditions for the maintenance of the granted M1, M2 or M3 status;

10.2.3. an animal is considered to be sick in the cases referred to in Paragraph 41 of this Regulation;

10.2.4. the situation referred to in Paragraph 45 of this Regulation exists.

11. The status of a holding can be changed:

11.1. from MP to M1 status;

11.2. from M1 to M2 status;

11.3. from M2 to M3 status;

11.4. from M1, M2 or M3 to MP status.

12. The Latvian Rural Support Service maintains an up-to-date list of animal holdings that have been granted MP, M1, M2, or M3 status on the public section of its website, indicating the date of status granting, the district and parish where the holding is located, and its number.

13. The Latvian Rural Support Service shall add or change the status in its register within five working days if the holding has already been assigned a status or if the owner or keeper of the animals has indicated in the Latvian Rural Support Service register that the status of the holding should be added or changed, in the following cases:

13.1. if animals are brought into an empty holding, the status of the holding from which the animals were brought shall be added to it, but if they are brought in from another European Union Member State (hereinafter referred to as 'Member State') or a country which is not a European Union Member State (hereinafter referred to as 'third country'), the owner or keeper of the animals shall act in accordance with the provisions of Sub-chapter 2.1 of this Regulation;

13.2. if animals from a holding with a lower status are added to the animals already present in the holding, the status of the holding shall be changed to the corresponding lower status, but if the animals are brought in from another Member State or third country, the owner or keeper of the animals shall inform the Food and Veterinary Service thereof;

13.3. adds M1 status in the case referred to in Paragraph 45 of this Regulation.

14. In the cases referred to in Sub-paragraph 10.1.4 and Paragraphs 13, 45 and 47 of this Regulation, the Latvian Rural Support Service shall send information on the status of the attached holding to the owner or keeper of the animals within five working days to the electronic mail address indicated in the Latvian Rural Support Service register.

15. The owner or keeper of animals who transports animals from holdings of different status to an event involving animals of the caprine or ovine species shall ensure that:

15.1. visitors would not be able to come into contact with the animals during the event;

15.2. animals from holdings of different status would be isolated from each other, except in the case of animals of caprine or ovine species from holdings of the same status participating in the event.

2. Measures for the monitoring and control of caprine arthritis encephalitis

2.1. Procedure for obtaining the M1, M2 and M3 status

16. In order for the Latvian Food and Veterinary Service to grant M1, M2 or M3 status to a holding, the owner or keeper of animals shall submit an application to the Food and Veterinary Service regarding granting of M1, M2 or M3 status for monitoring of caprine arthritis encephalitis to a holding (Annex 1), if the requirements referred to in Paragraphs 25, 28 or 31 of this Regulation have been fulfilled.

17. If the animals have been brought onto the holding from another Member State or a third country, the application shall be accompanied by a certificate issued in accordance with Paragraph 18 of this Regulation (hereinafter referred to as 'certificate') (Annex 2) on the monitoring of caprine arthritis encephalitis in the holding or herd in the country of origin of the animals, indicating the results of laboratory tests of samples received from laboratories in other countries.

18. The certificate shall be issued by:

18.1. the competent authority of the Member State or third country from which the animals are moved, if the holding or herd is granted a status related to the monitoring for caprine arthritis encephalitis;

18.2. a practising veterinarian in the Member State or third country from which the animals are being moved, if the competent authority of that Member State or third country does not grant the holding or herd a status in relation to the monitoring of caprine arthritis encephalitis.

19. If the Latvian Food and Veterinary Service does not have access to the necessary laboratory test results or information that animals, animal reproductive products – animal sperm, ova or embryos (hereinafter referred to as reproductive products) have been imported in accordance with the requirements established for their import into Latvia from a Member State or a third country, the Latvian Food and Veterinary Service shall notify the owner or keeper of the animals thereof.

20. After receiving the information specified in Paragraph 19 of this Regulation, the owner or keeper of the animals shall submit to the Latvian Food and Veterinary Service a copy of the test report on the laboratory tests of samples taken from the animals to determine caprine arthritis encephalitis or a copy of the veterinary (health) certificate.

21. The Latvian Food and Veterinary Service shall assess the holding for compliance with the criteria referred to in Paragraphs 25, 28 or 31 of this Regulation and shall take one of the following decisions:

21.1. to grant the M1, M2 or M3 status to a holding, notifying the animal owner or keeper of the decision in writing within five working days;

21.2. not to grant the M1, M2 or M3 statuses to the holding, providing a reasoned written refusal within five working days.

22. If the decision referred to in Sub-paragraph 21.1 of this Regulation to grant M1, M2 or M3 status to a holding is adopted, the Latvian Food and Veterinary Service shall enter the status granted to the holding in the Latvian Rural Support Service register within five working days. By 30 November of the current year, the Latvian Food and Veterinary Service shall submit to the Latvian Rural Support Service, in electronic form, the selection criteria to be used in determining the self-control sample tests to be carried out on animals at specific holdings in the following year. Following the granting of the status to the holding, the next sampling period shall be determined in accordance with the provisions laid down in Sub-paragraphs 26.2, 26.3, 27.2 or 29.2, 29.3, 30.2 or 32.2, 32.3 and 33.2 of this Regulation, taking into account the date of granting of the status.

23. By 31 December of the current year, the Latvian Rural Support Service shall enter in its register the information on animal holdings where self-control samples for laboratory testing are to be taken from animals in the following year, and shall send a reminder with an updated list of animals to the animal owner or keeper 30 days before the start date of the required testing to the e-mail address indicated in the Latvian Rural Support Service register.

24. The owner or keeper of the animals shall, after receiving the information referred to in Paragraph 23 of this Regulation, arrange for laboratory testing of the animals in accordance with Sub-paragraphs 26.2, 26.3, 27.2 or 29.2, 29.3, 30.2 or 32.2, 32.3 and 33.2 of this Regulation.

2.2. Procedure for granting and maintenance of the M1 status

25. The Latvian Food and Veterinary Service shall assign the M1 status to a holding if the owner or keeper of the animals has fulfilled the following requirements:

25.1. measures for combating caprine arthritis encephalitis have been implemented in the holding in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 3 of this Regulation (if applicable);

25.2. within a period of 12 to 14 months from the date of the last sampling, self-monitoring samples from does, bucks and all other caprine animals over 12 months of age (hereinafter referred to as 'core herd animals') located on the same holding have been subjected to laboratory testing with negative results;

25.3. the holding contains animals that were born or imported during the 12 months prior to the granting of the status from a holding of the same or higher status in accordance with the requirements of Paragraph 27 of this Regulation;

25.4. the holding uses laboratory-negative reproductive products or reproductive products obtained from animals that have been laboratory-tested no earlier than 30 days prior to their collection, and the results obtained are negative, or from breeding animals in a holding with the M3 status (hereinafter referred to as 'caprine arthritis encephalitis-negative reproductive products'). If the reproductive products are obtained from breeding animals younger than 12 months, virological or molecular biological methods shall be used in the laboratory testing.

26. The Latvian Food and Veterinary Service shall maintain the holding's M1 status if the following requirements are met:

26.1. no cases of caprine arthritis encephalitis have been confirmed in animals kept in the M1 status holding;

26.2. within 12 to 14 months after the last sampling date, self-monitoring samples from all animals in the core herd located on the same holding have been tested in a laboratory and the results are negative;

26.3. animals of the ovine species over 12 months of age which are kept together with animals of the caprine species have been subjected to a laboratory test for the presence of Maedi-Visna virus or its specific antibodies within 12 to 14 months from the date of the last sampling, with negative results;

26.4. kids are fed with milk derived from caprine animals which have tested negative for caprine arthritis encephalitis or from ovine animals which have tested negative for Maedi-Visna disease;

26.5. the holding contains animals that were born there or imported from another holding in accordance with the requirements of Paragraph 27 of this Regulation;

26.6. reproductive products that are negative for caprine arthritis encephalitis are used in the holding;

26.7. animals from the holding may be moved to a common grazing area where only animals of the caprine or ovine species from holdings with the M1 status are grazed.

27. The owner or keeper of the animals shall comply with the following requirements:

27.1. import animals from a holding with the M1, M2 or M3 status or from a holding or herd in another Member State or third country which has been granted and has for at least one year maintained the status of being free from caprine arthritis encephalitis, or from a holding or herd where all animals in the core herd have been tested for caprine arthritis encephalitis in the last consecutive year or the previous calendar year, and the results have been negative, as indicated in the certificate (Annex 2);

27.2. imported animals shall be kept in isolation for at least 30 days after arrival, during which time self-control samples shall be taken from them for laboratory testing and, if the results are negative, they shall be added to the rest of the animals in the holding. Laboratory testing of self-monitoring samples is not necessary if the animals have already been tested within 30 days prior to their arrival at the holding.

2.3. Procedure for granting and maintenance of the M2 status

28. The Latvian Food and Veterinary Service shall assign the M2 status to a holding if the owner or keeper of the animals has fulfilled the following requirements:

28.1. the M1 status has been maintained in the holding for one year;

28.2. within 12 to 14 months after the last sampling, self-control samples from all animals in the core herd located on the same holding have been tested in a laboratory and the results are negative;

28.3. animals born in or introduced into the holding during the last 12 months prior to the granting of the status in accordance with the requirements of Paragraph 27 of this Regulation are present in the holding;

28.4. reproductive products negative for caprine arthritis encephalitis are used for animals in the holding.

29. The Latvian Food and Veterinary Service shall maintain the M2 status for a holding if the following requirements are met:

29.1. no case of caprine arthritis encephalitis has been confirmed in animals kept in an M2 status holding;

29.2. within 12 to 14 months after the last sampling date, self-monitoring samples from all animals in the core herd located on the same holding have been tested in a laboratory and the results are negative;

29.3. animals of the ovine species older than 12 months which are kept together with animals of the caprine species have been subjected to a laboratory test for the presence of the Maedi-Visna virus or its specific antibodies within 12 to 14 months from the date of the last sampling, with negative results;

29.4. kids are fed with milk derived from caprine animals which have tested negative for caprine arthritis encephalitis or from ovine animals which have tested negative for Maedi-Visna disease;

29.5. the holding contains animals born in or imported from another holding in accordance with the requirements laid down in Paragraph 30 of this Regulation;

29.6. only reproductive products that are negative for caprine arthritis encephalitis are used in the holding;

29.7. animals of the holding may be moved to a common grazing area where only animals of the caprine or ovine species from holdings with the M2 status are grazed.

30. The owner or keeper of the animals in the holding shall:

30.1. import animals from a holding with the M2 or M3 status or from a holding or herd in another Member State or third country which has been granted and has for at least two years maintained the status of being free from caprine arthritis encephalitis, or from a holding where all animals in the core herd have been tested for caprine arthritis encephalitis in the last two consecutive years and the results have been negative, as indicated in the certificate (Annex 2);

30.2. keep imported animals in isolation for at least 30 days after importation, during which time self-control samples shall be taken from them for laboratory testing and, if the results are negative, they shall be added to the rest of the animals in the holding. Laboratory testing of self-monitoring samples is not necessary if the animals have already been tested within 30 days prior to their arrival at the holding.

2.4. Procedure for granting and maintenance the M3 status

31. The Latvian Food and Veterinary Service shall assign the M3 status to a holding if the owner or keeper of the animals has fulfilled the following requirements:

31.1. the M2 status has been maintained in the holding for one year;

31.2. within 12 to 14 months after the last sampling date, self-monitoring samples from all animals in the core herd located on the same holding have been tested in a laboratory and the results are negative;

31.3. the holding contains animals born in or introduced into the holding during the 12 months preceding the granting of the status, subject to the requirements laid down in Paragraph 30 of this Regulation;

31.4. only reproductive products negative to caprine arthritis encephalitis have been used in the holding.

32. The Latvian Food and Veterinary Service shall maintain the M3 status of the holding if the following requirements are met:

32.1. no case of caprine arthritis encephalitis has been confirmed in animals kept in holdings with the M3 status;

32.2. within 24 to 36 months after the last sampling date, self-monitoring samples from all animals in the core herd located on the same holding have been tested in a laboratory and the results are negative;

32.3. animals of the ovine species over 12 months of age which are kept together with animals of the caprine species have been subjected to a laboratory test for the presence of the Maedi-Visna virus or its specific antibodies once every three years from the date of the last sampling, with negative results;

32.4. kids are fed with milk derived from caprine animals which have tested negative for caprine arthritis encephalitis or from ovine animals which have tested negative for Maedi-Visna disease;

32.5. the holding contains animals born in or imported from another holding in accordance with the requirements laid down in Paragraph 33 of this Regulation;

32.6. only reproductive products that are negative for caprine arthritis encephalitis are used in the holding;

32.7. animals of the holding may be moved to a common grazing area where only animals of the caprine or ovine species from holdings with the M3 status are grazed.

33. The owner or keeper of the animals in the holding shall:

33.1. import animals from a holding with M3 status or from a holding or herd in another Member State or third country which has been granted and has for at least three years maintained the status of being officially free from caprine arthritis encephalitis, or from a holding where all animals in the core herd have been tested for caprine arthritis encephalitis in the last three consecutive years and the results have been negative, as indicated in the certificate (Annex 2);

33.2. keep imported animals in isolation for at least 30 days after importation, during which time self-control samples shall be taken from them for laboratory testing and, if the results are negative, they shall be added to the rest of the animals in the holding. Laboratory testing of self-monitoring samples is not necessary if the animals have already been tested within 30 days prior to their arrival at the holding.

3. Measures for combating caprine arthritis encephalitis

3.1. Measures following suspicion of caprine arthritis encephalitis in an animal

34. Suspicion of an animal having contracted caprine arthritis encephalitis may arise in any of the following situations:

34.1. clinical signs of caprine arthritis encephalitis have been observed. In order to rule out or confirm suspicion of infection, an animal showing clinical signs of goat arthritis-encephalitis shall undergo the control sample examination referred to in Paragraph 36 of this Regulation;

34.2. the animal has been fed milk from a goat with caprine arthritis encephalitis or an sheep with Maedi-Visna disease. Examinations of the control sample referred to in Paragraph 37 of this Regulation shall be carried out in order to rule out or confirm any suspicion of disease;

34.3. laboratory tests of a self-control sample taken from the animal have revealed a suspicious (unclear) serological test result for caprine arthritis encephalitis. Examinations of the control sample referred to in Paragraph 38 of this Regulation shall be carried out in order to rule out or confirm any suspicion of disease;

34.4. in a holding with the M2 or M3 status, laboratory tests on a sample from an animal have revealed a first positive result in serological tests for caprine arthritis encephalitis. An examination of a control sample as specified in Paragraph 39 of this Regulation shall be carried out to rule out or confirm any suspicion of disease.

35. The owner or keeper of the animals shall ensure that:

35.1. an animal suspected of being infected with caprine arthritis encephalitis:

35.1.1. is isolated and does not come into contact with other animals in the holding with the M1, M2 and M3 status;

35.1.2. is moved from a holding with M1 status to a holding keeping animals for fattening or to a slaughterhouse for slaughter within two weeks of the detection of the cases referred to in Paragraph 34 of this Regulation;

35.1.3. in a holding with M1 (if deemed necessary), M2 or M3 status, laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis shall be carried out in accordance with Paragraphs 36, 37, 38 or 39 of this Regulation;

35.1.4. is not used for breeding and obtaining reproductive products in a holding with the M1, M2 and M3 status until suspicions of the animal being infected with caprine arthritis encephalitis have been ruled out;

35.2. milk derived from an animal suspected of being infected with caprine arthritis encephalitis shall only be fed to animals in a holding of the M1, M2 or M3 status after heat treatment.

36. A control sample shall be taken from the animal and examined in a laboratory within five working days after the occurrence referred to in Sub-paragraph 34 of this Regulation has been detected. If the result of the laboratory tests is:

36.1. negative, the animal shall be placed in the holding together with the remaining animals;

36.2. positive, measures shall be taken in accordance with the provisions of Sub-chapter 3.2 of this Regulation.

37. For animals younger than 12 months, a control sample shall be taken and examined in a laboratory using virological or molecular biological methods within 30 to 45 days after the occurrence referred to in Sub-paragraph 34.2 of this Regulation has been detected. If the result of the laboratory test is:

37.1. negative, the animal shall be placed in the holding with the remaining animals;

37.2. positive, measures shall be taken in accordance with the provisions of Sub-chapter 3.2 of this Regulation.

38. A control sample shall be taken and examined in a laboratory using virological or molecular biological methods within 30 to 45 days after the occurrence referred to in Sub-paragraph 34.3 of this Regulation has been detected. If the result of the laboratory test is:

38.1. serologically, virologically or molecular biologically negative, the animal shall be placed in the holding with the other animals;

38.2. virologically or molecular biologically positive, measures shall be taken in accordance with the requirements set out in Sub-chapter 3.2 of this Regulation;

38.3. serologically positive or suspect (uncertain) for caprine arthritis encephalitis:

38.3.1. in a holding with the M1 status, in accordance with the requirements of Sub-chapter 3.2 of this Regulation;

38.3.2. in accordance with the requirements of Paragraph 39 of this Regulation in an holding with the M2 or M3 status.

39. At a holding with the M2 or M3 status, a control sample shall be taken from the animal and examined in a laboratory using virological or molecular biological methods for the causative agent of caprine arthritis encephalitis within five working days after the occurrence of the case referred to in Sub-paragraph 34.4 or 38.3.2 of this Regulation. If the result of the examinations is:

39.1. negative, the animal shall be moved to the holding together with the other animals;

39.2. positive, measures shall be taken in accordance with the provisions of Sub-chapter 3.2 of this Regulation.

40. The owner or keeper of animals shall ensure that in holdings of the M1, M2 or M3 status animals in the core herd which have been in contact with an animal in which suspicion of caprine arthritis encephalitis has been confirmed are subjected to laboratory testing not earlier than six months after the occurrence of the cases referred to in Paragraph 34 of this Regulation. If the result of the examination is:

40.1. positive, the animal shall be considered infected with caprine arthritis encephalitis and shall be isolated so that it does not come into contact with other animals in the holding, and within two weeks of obtaining the laboratory results, it shall be transferred to a slaughterhouse for slaughter;

40.2. negative, the animal sample shall be re-examined in the laboratory no earlier than 12 months after the date of the last self-control sample collection.

3.2. Measures to be taken when an animal contracts caprine arthritis encephalitis

41. An animal is considered to be infected with caprine arthritis encephalitis if:

41.1. the animal shows clinical signs of caprine arthritis encephalitis and laboratory tests of the self-control sample have yielded a positive or suspicious result;

41.2. the animal has been fed with milk from a goat suffering from caprine arthritis encephalitis or from a sheep suffering from Maedi-Visna disease, and laboratory tests of the self-control sample have yielded positive or suspicious results;

41.3. a positive result of serological examinations in relation to caprine arthritis encephalitis has been detected in laboratory tests of the self-control sample of an animal in a holding with M1 status or a suspicious result has been repeatedly detected;

41.4. in a holding with the M2 or M3 status, laboratory tests of the animal's self-control sample have revealed one of the following results:

41.4.1. repeated positive serological results for caprine arthritis encephalitis;

41.4.2. the causative agent of caprine arthritis encephalitis in virological or molecular biological tests.

42. The owner or keeper of the animals shall ensure that:

42.1. an animal infected with caprine arthritis encephalitis shall be immediately isolated and shall not come into contact with other animals in a holding with the M1, M2 and M3 status;

42.2. milk obtained from an animal infected with caprine arthritis encephalitis shall be fed to animals in a holding with the M1, M2 or M3 status only after heat treatment to ensure the destruction of the caprine arthritis encephalitis virus;

42.3. animals infected with caprine arthritis encephalitis shall not be used for breeding and for obtaining reproductive products in holdings with the M1, M2 and M3 status;

42.4. animals infected with caprine arthritis encephalitis and offspring of does infected with caprine arthritis encephalitis that are younger than 12 months shall be immediately isolated and, within two weeks after the results of the laboratory tests referred to in Paragraph 41 of this Regulation have been established, moved to a holding where fattening animals are kept or sent to a slaughterhouse for slaughter;

42.5. control samples from animals of the core herd, which have been in contact with the sick animal, are subjected to laboratory testing for the agent of caprine arthritis encephalitis in accordance with that laid down in Paragraph 43 of this Regulation.

43. Control samples shall be taken from the animals in the core herd and subjected to laboratory testing four months after the results of the laboratory tests referred to in Paragraph 41 of this Regulation have been found. If the result of the examination is:

43.1. positive, the animal shall be considered infected with caprine arthritis encephalitis and shall be immediately isolated and, within two weeks after obtaining the laboratory results, transferred to a holding where fattening animals are kept or sent to a slaughterhouse for slaughter;

43.2. negative, the control samples from the core herd shall be re-examined in a laboratory no earlier than 12 months after the date of the last control sample collection.

44. In order to detect suspected infected and epidemiologically linked holdings where animals have been in contact with an animal suffering from caprine arthritis encephalitis, the Latvian Food and Veterinary Service shall, at the request of the owner or keeper of the animals, organise an epidemiological inquiry. If necessary, the Latvian Food and Veterinary Service shall invite veterinarians practising in the goat farming sector and specialists from the Latvia University of Life Sciences and Technologies Faculty of Veterinary Medicine to implement additional measures to combat caprine arthritis encephalitis in infected and epidemiologically related farms.

45. Based on the results of the laboratory tests referred to in Paragraph 41 of this Regulation, the Latvian Food and Veterinary Service shall, within three working days, revoke the M1, M2 and M3 status of the holding and grant it MP status, which shall be maintained until the animals referred to in Sub-paragraph 42.4 of this Regulation have been moved and negative results of the laboratory tests referred to in Sub-paragraph 42.5 of this Regulation have been obtained. Once the requirements have been met, the Latvian Rural Support Service shall indicate the M1 status in its register at the holding.

46. The owner or keeper of the animals shall bring the animals into a holding with the M1 status for restocking, subject to the requirements of Paragraph 27 of this Regulation.

47. If all animals are removed from the holding, the holding shall be cleaned and disinfected and no animals shall be brought into it for at least 14 days. When animals are introduced from:

47.1. Latvian holdings, the Latvian Rural Support Service shall indicate in its register within five working days the status of the holding from which the animals were imported;

47.2. the Member State or third country, the owner or keeper of the animals shall act in accordance with the provisions of Sub-chapter 2.1 of this Regulation in order for the Latvian Food and Veterinary Service to grant the status to the holding.

4. Final provisions

48. In order for the holding to obtain the M1 status in 2026 and 2027, the owner or keeper of the animals shall submit an application to the Latvian Food and Veterinary Service for the granting of the M1 status for the monitoring of caprine arthritis encephalitis (Annex 3), indicating that during the year:

48.1. animals in the core herd have been subjected to laboratory tests for caprine arthritis encephalitis and the results have been negative;

48.2. the animals have been brought to the holding from a holding where self-control samples taken from the animals present have been subjected to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis and the results have been negative;

48.3. the imported animals are kept in isolation for at least 30 days after import, during which time self-control samples have been taken from them for laboratory testing, and after receiving negative results, the animals in question have been added to the other animals in the holding.

49. In order for the holding to obtain the M2 status in 2026 and 2027, the owner or keeper of the animals shall submit an application to the Latvian Food and Veterinary Service for the granting of the M2 status for the monitoring of caprine arthritis encephalitis (Annex 3), indicating that in the current year and in the previous year:

49.1. self-control samples taken from animals of the core herd have been subjected to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis and negative results have been obtained;

49.2. the animals come from an holding where self-control samples taken from the animals in the holding have been subjected to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis with negative results;

49.3. the imported animals have been kept in isolation for at least 30 days after import, during this period self-control samples have been taken from them for laboratory testing, and after receiving negative results the relevant animals have been added to the other animals in the holding.

50. In order for a holding to be granted the M3 status in 2026 and 2027, the owner or keeper of the animals shall submit an application to the Latvian Food and Veterinary Service for the granting of the M3 status for the monitoring of caprine

arthritis encephalitis (Annex 3), indicating that in the current year and in the two previous years:

50.1. self-control samples taken from animals of the core herd have been subjected to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis and negative results have been obtained;

50.2. the animals come from a holding where self-control samples taken for the animals present have been subjected to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis and negative results have been obtained;

50.3. the imported animals are kept in isolation for at least 30 days after import, during which time self-control samples have been taken from them for laboratory testing, and after receiving negative results, the animals in question have been added to the other animals in the holding.

51. The owner or keeper of the animals shall submit the application referred to in Paragraphs 48, 49 or 50 of this Regulation to the Latvian Food and Veterinary Service by 1 October 2027. Copies of test reports on laboratory tests of animal self-control samples shall be attached to the application if they are not available to the Latvian Food and Veterinary Service.

52. The Latvian Food and Veterinary Service shall determine the compliance of the holding with the relevant status by assessing the application referred to in Paragraphs 48, 49 or 50 of this Regulation and shall take the decision referred to in Sub-paragraph 21.1 or 21.2 of this Regulation.

53. If the decision referred to in Sub-paragraph 21.1 of this Regulation to grant M1, M2 or M3 status to a holding is adopted, the Latvian Food and Veterinary Service shall act in accordance with the procedure laid down in Paragraph 22 of this Regulation.

54. This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 July 2026.

**Application
for granting the M1, M2 or M3 status to a holding
for the monitoring of caprine arthritis encephalitis**

1. The owner or keeper of the animal _____

(for a natural person – name and surname, for a legal person – name (in capital letters))

2. Personal identity number of the owner or keeper of the animal (for □□□□□□-□□□□□□ a natural person)

3. Email address _____

4. Company registration number in the Latvian Register of Enterprises

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5. Herd registration number in the Latvian Rural Support Service register

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6. Holding registration number in the Latvian Rural Support Service register¹

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7. Purpose of keeping animals of the caprine species in the holding (mark as appropriate):

- obtaining produce
- breeding of animals, collection of semen, ova and embryos

8. The following are kept in the holding (mark as appropriate):

- only animals of the caprine species
- animals of the ovine and caprine species

9. Monitoring of goats takes place at the holding (mark as appropriate):

- no
- yes

10. The holding has received the status of a goat breeding holding by the Latvian Rural Support Service (mark as appropriate):

- no
- yes

11. Animals of caprine species kept on the holding (hereinafter referred to as 'animals') (mark as appropriate):

- have not been determined to be suffering from caprine arthritis encephalitis
- have been determined to be suffering from caprine arthritis encephalitis (please indicate the last date of illness) _____

12. The following status is to be granted to the holding (mark as appropriate):

Sequence number	Status	Yes	Notes
1.	M1 status (the status of a holding recovered from caprine arthritis encephalitis)	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete the table in Paragraph 13	
2.	M2 status (the status of a holding that is free from caprine arthritis encephalitis)	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete the table in Paragraph 14	
3.	M3 status (the status of a holding officially free from caprine arthritis encephalitis)	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete the table in Paragraph 15	

13. Information to be completed by the owner or keeper of the animals for a holding for which M1 status is sought (mark as appropriate)

Sequence number	Fulfilment of requirements	Yes	No	Unknown	Notes
1.	Disease combating measures implemented in the holding if an animal has been infected with caprine arthritis encephalitis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.	For does, bucks and all other goats older than 12 months and kept in the same holding (hereinafter referred to as 'core herd animals') laboratory tests for caprine arthritis encephalitis have been carried out within 12 to 14 months of the date of the last sampling and the results have been negative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3.	All animals born and raised in the holding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.	Reproductive products of animal origin – semen, ova and embryos (hereinafter referred to as 'reproductive products') – are used for animals at the holding	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete Sub-paragraphs 4.1. and 4.2. of the table	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.1.	reproductive products have been tested negative for the caprine arthritis encephalitis virus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.2.	reproductive products obtained from animals that are:	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete Sub-paragraphs 4.2.1., 4.2.2. and 4.2.3. of the table	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.2.1.	younger than 12 months and tested virologically or molecular biologically in a laboratory no earlier than 30 days prior to the collection of reproductive products, with negative results for caprine arthritis encephalitis.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.2.2.	older than 12 months and tested in a	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

	laboratory no earlier than 30 days prior to their acquisition, with negative results for caprine arthritis encephalitis				
4.2.3.	come from an M3 status holding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5.	Animals introduced into the holding during the last 12 months prior to the granting of the status	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Complete Sub-paragraphs 5.1. and 5.2., Paragraphs 6 and 7 of the table
5.1.	animals imported from an M1, M2 or M3 status holding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Specify in the notes from which status holding
5.2.	animals imported from another Member State of the European Union (hereinafter – Member State) or from a country which is not a Member State of the European Union (hereinafter – third country)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5.2.1.	from a holding or herd where all animals in the core herd have been tested for caprine arthritis encephalitis during the current year or the previous calendar year and the results were negative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5.2.2.	from a holding or herd which has been granted and has maintained for at least one year the status of a holding or herd free from caprine arthritis encephalitis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6.	Certificate has been completed from the Member State or third country on the monitoring for caprine arthritis encephalitis in the caprine herd or holding (Annex 2)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	A copy of the certificate shall be attached to the application
7.	The imported animals:				
7.1.	have been kept in isolation for at least 30 days after entry into the holding and have been subjected during that period to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis with negative results	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7.2.	have been subjected to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis during a period of 30 days prior to import to the holding with negative results	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

14. Information to be completed by the owner or keeper of the animals for the holding for which the M2 status is sought (mark as appropriate)

Sequence	Fulfilment of requirements	Yes	No	Unknown	Notes
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number					
1.	M1 status maintained for 1 year	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.	All animals in the core herd have been subjected to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis with negative results within 12 to 14 months from the date of the last sampling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3.	All animals born and raised in the holding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.	Reproductive products used for animals in the holding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Complete Sub-paragraphs 4.1. and 4.2. of the table
4.1.	reproductive products have been tested negative for the caprine arthritis encephalitis virus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.2.	reproductive products obtained from animals that are:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Complete Sub-paragraph 4.2.1., 4.2.2. and 4.2.3. of the table
4.2.1.	younger than 12 months and tested virologically or molecular biologically in a laboratory no earlier than 30 days prior to the collection of reproductive products, with negative results for caprine arthritis encephalitis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.2.2.	older than 12 months and tested in a laboratory no earlier than 30 days prior to their acquisition, with negative results for caprine arthritis encephalitis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.2.3.	come from an M3 status holding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5.	Animals introduced into the holding during the last 12 months	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Complete Sub-paragraph 5.1. and 5.2. and Paragraphs 6 and 7 of the table
5.1.	imported animals from an M1, M2 or M3 status holding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Specify in the notes from which status holding
5.2.	animals imported from a Member State or third country	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5.2.1.	from a holding or herd in which all animals in the core herd have been subjected for the last two consecutive years to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis with negative results for all animals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5.2.2.	from a holding or herd which has been granted and has maintained for at least two years the status of a holding or herd free from caprine	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

	arthritis encephalitis				
6.	Certificate has been completed from a Member State or third country on the monitoring for caprine disease arthritis encephalitis in a caprine herd or holding (Annex 2)	<input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the certificate shall be attached to the application	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7.	The imported animals:				
7.1.	have been kept in isolation for at least 30 days after entry into the holding and have been subjected during that period to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis with negative results	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7.2.	have been subjected to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis during a period of 30 days prior to import to the holding with negative results	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8.	Kids are fed with goat's milk obtained from goats that are negative for caprine arthritis encephalitis or from sheep that are negative for Maedi-Visna disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
9.	Sheep older than 12 months being kept together with goats have been subjected to laboratory testing for Maedi-Visna disease and negative results have been obtained within 12 to 14 months	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
10.	The animals of the holding are moved to a common grazing area where ovine or caprine animals are grazed only from holdings with the M1 status.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

15. Information to be completed by the owner or keeper of the animals for a holding for which the M3 status is sought (mark as appropriate)

Sequence number	Fulfilment of requirements	Yes	No	Unknown	Notes
1.	M2 status has been maintained for one year	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.	All animals in the core herd have been subjected to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis with negative results within 12 to 14 months from the date of the last sampling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3.	All animals born and raised in the holding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.	Reproductive products used for animals in the holding	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete Sub-paragraphs 4.1. and 4.2. of the table	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

4.1.	reproductive products have been tested negative for the caprine arthritis encephalitis virus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.2.	reproductive products obtained from animals that:	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete Sub-paragraphs 4.2.1., 4.2.2. and 4.2.3. of the table	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.2.1.	younger than 12 months and tested virologically or molecular biologically in a laboratory no earlier than 30 days prior to the collection of reproductive products, with negative results for caprine arthritis encephalitis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.2.2.	older than 12 months and tested in a laboratory no earlier than 30 days prior to their acquisition, with negative results for caprine arthritis encephalitis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.2.3.	come from an M3 status holding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5.	Animals introduced into the holding during the last 12 months	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete Sub-paragraph 5.1. and 5.2. and Paragraphs 6 and 7 of the table	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5.1.	Animals imported from an M2 or M3 status holdings	<input type="checkbox"/> Specify in the notes from which status holding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5.2.	animals imported from a Member State or third country	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5.2.1.	from a holding or herd where all animals in the core herd have been tested in a laboratory for caprine arthritis encephalitis for at least three consecutive years with negative results	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5.2.2.	from a holding or herd which has been granted and has maintained for at least three years a caprine arthritis encephalitis-free holding or herd status	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6.	A certificate has been completed from the Member State or third country on the monitoring for caprine arthritis encephalitis in the caprine herd or holding (Annex 2)	<input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the certificate shall be attached to the application	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7.	The imported animals:				
7.1.	have been kept in isolation for at least 30 days after entry into the holding and have been subjected during that period to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis with negative results	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7.2.	have been subjected to laboratory	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

	testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis with negative results within 30 days prior to entering the holding				
8.	Kids are fed with goat's milk obtained from goats that are negative for caprine arthritis encephalitis or from sheep that are negative for Maedi-Visna disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
9.	Animals of the ovine species that are older than 12 months kept together with animals of the caprine species have been tested for Maedi-Visna disease in a laboratory within 12 to 14 months, with negative results	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
10.	The animals of the holding are moved to a common grazing area where ovine or caprine animals are grazed only from holdings with the M2 status	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

(date²)

(first name, last name)

(signature²)

To be completed by the Latvian Food and Veterinary Service

Status to be granted/not to be granted to the holding _____
 (mark the corresponding status)

(date²)

(position, first name, last name, signature²)

Notes:

¹ The internal number of the holding, if any, assigned by the owner or keeper of the herd shall also be indicated.

² The document details 'date' and 'signature' shall not be filled in if the electronic document is prepared and signed in compliance with the rules and regulations governing the drafting of electronic documents.

Certificate
on the monitoring of caprine arthritis encephalitis in goat herds or holdings in their country of origin

(date) _____
 (date¹)

I. Certificate

The Latvian Food and Veterinary Service (competent authority) is hereby notified that one or more animals of the caprine species (hereinafter referred to as 'animals') are being imported into the Republic of Latvia from the holding/herd (mark as appropriate):

1. in which all animals in the core herd (doe(s), buck(s) and all other goats older than 12 months) in the last **three years** in a row have been subjected to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis, and the results obtained are negative.

Additional information to be provided on the monitoring of caprine arthritis encephalitis during the last three years

Date of sample collection	Number of samples tested and results	Number of animals tested and Test Report No, date of issue ²
1.		
2.		
3.		

2. in which all animals in the core herd (doe(s), buck(s) and all other goats older than 12 months) have been subjected to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis for the last **two years** in a row, and the results have been negative.

Additional information to be provided on the monitoring of caprine arthritis encephalitis over the last two years

Date of sample collection	Number of samples tested and results	Number of animals tested and Test Report No, date of issue ²
1.		
2.		

3. in which all animals in the core herd (doe(s), buck(s) and all other goats older than 12 months) have been subjected to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis during the last **year** and the results have been negative.

Additional information to be provided on the monitoring of caprine arthritis encephalitis in the last year

Date of sample collection	Number of samples tested and results	Number of animals tested and Test Report No, date of issue ²
1.		

4. which has been granted the status of a holding or herd officially free from caprine arthritis encephalitis .

Additional information to be provided:

4.1. for the monitoring of caprine arthritis encephalitis during the last **three years**:

Date of sample collection	Number of samples tested and results	Number of animals tested and Test Report No, date of issue ²

1.		
2.		
3.		

4.2. date on which the holding or herd was granted the status of being officially free from caprine arthritis encephalitis _____

5. which has been granted the status of a holding or herd free from caprine arthritis encephalitis.

Additional information to be provided:

5.1. on the monitoring of caprine arthritis encephalitis during the last **two years**:

Date of sample collection	Number of samples tested and results	Number of animals tested and Test Report No, date of issue ²
1.		
2.		

5.2. date on which the status of a caprine arthritis encephalitis-free holding or herd was granted

6. which has been granted the status of a holding or herd other than that referred to in Paragraph 4 or 5.

Additional information to be provided:

6.1. on the monitoring of caprine arthritis encephalitis during the last **year**:

Date of sample collection	Number of samples tested and results	Number of animals tested and Test Report No, date of issue ²
1.		

6.2. status name _____

6.3. date on which the status was granted to the holding or herd _____

II. Information about the owner or keeper of the animal and the herd

1. Name and surname of the animal owner or name of the legal entity (in capital letters) _

2. Registered residential address of the natural person or registered office address of the legal person (in capital letters)

3. Contact details of the natural or legal person:

3.1. telephone number ____

3.2. email address _____

4. Address of the actual location of the animals, if different from that mentioned in Paragraph 2 (in capital letters) _____

5. Herd registration number

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6. Purpose of keeping the goats in the herd (mark as appropriate):

obtaining produce

breeding of animals, collection of semen, ova and embryos

Official veterinarian or official certifying officer issuing the certificate (*if the competent authority of a Member State or third country **grants** the holdings or herds the status with regard to monitoring of caprine arthritis encephalitis and the laboratory results obtained*):

Place of work ____

First name, last name _____

Signature¹ _____ Place of stamp

Or,

Practising veterinarian (if the competent authority of the Member State or third country **does not grant** a status to holdings or herds in relation to the monitoring of caprine arthritis encephalitis and the laboratory results obtained):

Place of work ____

First name, last name _____

Signature¹ _____ Place of stamp

Notes:

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² Copies of the test reports shall be attached.

caprine arthritis encephalitis has been detected (indicate the date of last illness) _____

12. The following status is to be granted to the holding (mark as appropriate):

Sequence number	Status	Yes	Notes
1.	M1 status (recovery status from caprine arthritis encephalitis)	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete the table in Paragraph 13	
2.	M2 status (caprine arthritis encephalitis-free status)	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete the table in Paragraph 14	
3.	M3 status (officially caprine arthritis encephalitis-free status)	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete the table in Paragraph 15	

13. Information to be completed by the owner or keeper of the animals for the holding for which the M1 status is sought (mark as appropriate)

Sequence number	Fulfilment of requirements	Yes	No	Unknown	Notes
1.	During the year, laboratory tests for caprine arthritis encephalitis have been carried out on does, bucks and all other goats older than 12 months and located in the same holding (hereinafter referred to as 'core herd animals'), and the results obtained are negative.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.	Animals brought into the holding during the year:	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete Sub-paragraphs 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 of the table	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.1.	from a holding where the animals have been tested for caprine arthritis encephalitis and the results were negative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.2.	were kept isolated in the holding for at least 30 days after entry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.3.	have been subjected to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis within 30 days of entry into the holding, and negative results have been obtained	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

14. Information to be completed by the owner or keeper of the animals for the holding for which the M2 status is sought (mark as appropriate)

Sequence number	Fulfilment of requirements	Yes	No	Unknown	Notes
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e number					
1.	This year and last year, all animals in the core herd were tested in the laboratory for caprine arthritis encephalitis, and the results were negative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.	Animals brought to the holding during the current year and one year previously:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Complete Sub-paragraphs 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 of the table				
2.1.	from a holding where the animals have been tested for caprine arthritis encephalitis and the results were negative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.2.	were kept isolated in the holding for at least 30 days after entry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.3.	have been subjected to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis within 30 days of introduction into the holding, with negative results	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

15. Information to be completed by the owner or keeper of the animals for a holding for which the M3 status is sought (mark as appropriate)

Sequence number	Fulfilment of requirements	Yes	No	Unknown	Notes
1.	laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis has been carried out with negative results on all animals in the core herd during the current year and two years previously in the holding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.	Animals brought to the holding during the current year and two years prior:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Complete Sub-paragraphs 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 of the table				
2.1.	from a holding where the animals have been tested for caprine arthritis encephalitis and the results were negative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.2.	were kept isolated in the holding for at least 30 days after entry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.3.	have been subjected to laboratory testing for caprine arthritis encephalitis within 30 days of introduction into the holding, with negative results	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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Status to be granted/not to be
granted to the holding

(mark the corresponding status)

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Notes:

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