

ANIMAL HEALTH POLICY

(Course Notes)

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Introduction

- The purpose of animal health policy is to ensure that the animals are protected against various diseases and to explain and apply the best methods of struggling with disease.
- Measures to struggling with disease diseases should be as follows. :
 - **1-** To prevent the emergence of epidemic animal diseases and to take preventive measures,
 - **2-** In the event of any epidemic, eliminate the necessary measures and eliminate them as soon as possible.

- It is a known fact that prevention from diseases will give better results than treatment. In this respect, factors that play a role in the emergence and spread of epidemics should be emphasized. Particular attention should be paid to the importation of animal and animal substances, and the measures in the Law and regulations should be fully implemented. In this way, the possibility of encountering diseases not yet seen in our country will be eliminated.

- Many biological materials obtained from today's technology can be insufficient in the protection of animal diseases. In this case, it is essential to prevent animal losses by the way indicated by Animal Health Policy.
- Animal Health Policy in Turkey dated 06.11.2010 and numbered 5996 Veterinary Services, Plant Health, Food and Feed is carried out according to the law and regulations of this law. Prepared on the basis of Articles 4 and 43.

REGULATION ON THE GENERAL METHODS TO BE APPLIED THE STRUGGLE WITH ANIMAL DISEASES

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- **FIRST PART**
Purpose, Scope, Basis and Definitions
- **Purpose**
- **ARTICLE 1 – (1)** The aim of this Regulation is to determine the general principles and procedures to be applied in the struggle against diseases that can pass from animals and animal products to humans and animals and in the fight against infectious animal diseases.

Scope

ARTICLE 2– (1) This Regulation covers general works and procedures to protect animal health, to combat infectious animal diseases and to take all kinds of measures in this regard.

Basis

ARTICLE 3– (1) This Regulation has been prepared on the basis of Articles 4 and 43 of the Veterinary Services, Plant Health, Food and Feed Law No. 5996 dated 11/6/2010.

Definitions

ARTICLE 4– (1) In this Regulation;

- a)** Ministry: Republic of Turkey Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry,
- b)** Suspicious animal: Although no symptoms of the disease are considered, the animals considered to have taken the disease,

- c) Supervision: careful observation of any livestock enterprise, operator or their activities,
- ç) Supervision site: The area around the disease, including the protection zone, where the precautionary measures to prevent the spread of the disease outside the protection zone are applied and the health status of all species that the disease may affect,
- d) Animal suspected of disease: Animals showing clear and incomplete disease signs,
- e) Animal owner: The real person or legal entity holding the property right of animals.,
- f) Animal owner deputy: the person authorized by the notary publicly issued document,

- g) Animal products: All animal products including animal food, animal by-products and reproductive products offered to human consumption,
- ğ) Animal by-products: Animal products of animal origin which are not intended for consumption by humans, including ovum, embryo, which will not be used in aquaculture;
- h) Provincial / district directorate: Provincial directorates of food, agriculture and livestock and district directorates,
- ı) Quarantine: Measures taken in the form of temporarily isolating animals from an infectious disease to prevent spread of the disease,
- İ) Knurls: Keeping the area under control of animal disease, control of inputs and outputs,

j) Protection zone: The region where the movement of animal, plant, animal and plant products is restricted, including the restriction of human movements, which is created around the site of disease to prevent the spread of animal disease and pest organism.

k) Protected areas: One or more pest organisms located in one or more regions within the scope of Law No. 5996, are not endemic to that region, although the environmental conditions are suitable for the establishment of the pest organism in question, they are in accordance with the procedures and principles determined by the Ministry, which have been eradicated and these conditions have been established, have been recognized by the results of appropriate surveys, regularly and systematically monitored;

- l) Local administrative authority: Municipalities, special provincial administrations and neighbourhood units
- m) Official veterinarian: Veterinarian staff of the Ministry,
- n) Freelance veterinarian: Veterinarians with the conditions specified in the Law on the Establishment of Veterinary Medicine dated 9/3/1954 and numbered 6343, the Turkish Veterinary Medical Association and the Establishment Style of the Chambers and the Works to be Carried,
- o) Armed Forces: Turkish Armed Forces,
- ö) Compensation: The cost to be paid for the destruction, transportation and disinfection of the products, feeds, materials and materials which are decided to be disposed of due to the compensated disease with the animals whose compensation is paid for in the list of compensated diseases,
- p) Isolation: Separation of suspicious animals from healthy animals from patients and diseases, prevention of contact,

- r) Reproductive products: The semen, embryos and hatching eggs used in animal breeding,
- s) Veterinary biological products: Products such as vaccines, serum and diagnostic kits that are prepared for the detection of active or passive immunity in animals, the level of immunity or for the diagnosis of disease.,
- ş) Veterinary Medical Products : This product includes veterinary biological products and products containing the active substance which are made ready for use through all production steps for animal or animal use.,
- t) Allied health personnel: The Ministry personnel on the behalf of the Ministry and under the responsibility of the official veterinarian define the veterinary health technicians and technicians,
- u) Local asset appraisal commission: It shall specify the commission to determine the costs of the animals to be paid according to local government,