

ANNEX XXII

IMPORT CHECKS AND INSPECTION FEES**A. Principles of import checks**

Import checks consist of documentary checks, identity checks and physical checks

As regards animals and animal products, the physical checks and their frequency shall be based on the level of the risk associated with such imports.

In carrying out the checks for plant health purposes, the importing Party shall ensure that the plants, plant products and other objects shall be meticulously inspected on an official basis, either in their entirety or by inspecting a representative sample, in order to make sure, that they are not contaminated by pests.

In the event that the checks reveal non-conformity with the relevant standards and/or requirements, the importing Party shall take official measures proportionate to the risk involved. Wherever possible, the importer or his representative shall be given access to the consignment and the opportunity to provide any relevant information to assist the importing Party in taking a final decision concerning the consignment. Such decision shall be proportional to the level of the risk associated with such imports.

B. Frequencies of physical checks**B.1. Import of animals and animal products to the EU and the Republic of Moldova**

Type of frontier check	Frequency rate
1. Documentary checks	100 %
2. Identity checks	100 %
3. Physical checks	
Live animals 100 %	100 %
Category I products Fresh meat including offal, and products of the bovine, ovine, caprine, porcine and equine species defined in Council Directive 64/433/EEC of 26 June 1964 on health conditions for the production and marking of fresh meat, as amended. Fish products in hermetically sealed containers intended to render them stable at ambient temperatures, fresh and frozen fish and dry and/or salted fisheries products Whole eggs Lard and rendered fats Animal casings Hatching eggs	20 %
Category II products Poultry meat and poultry meat products Rabbit meat, game meat (wild/farmed) and products thereof Milk and milk products for human consumption Egg products	50 %

Type of frontier check	Frequency rate
Processed animal protein for human consumption (100 % for the first six bulked consignments, Council Directive 92/118/EEC of 17 December 1992 laying down animal health and public health requirements governing trade in and imports into the Community of products not subject to the said requirements laid down in specific Community rules referred to in Annex A (I) to Directive 89/662/EEC and, as regards pathogens, to Directive 90/425/EEC, as amended). Other fish products than those mentioned under the Commission Decision 2006/766/EC of 6 November 2006 establishing the lists of third countries and territories from which imports of bivalve molluscs, echinoderms, tunicates, marine gastropods and fishery products are permitted, as amended. Bivalve molluscs Honey	
Category III products Semen Embryos Manure Milk and milk products (not for human consumption) Gelatine Frog's legs and snails Bones and bone products Hides and skins Bristles, wool, hair and feathers Horns, horn products, hooves and hoof products Apiculture products Game trophies Processed pet food Raw material for the manufacture of pet food Raw material, blood, blood products, glands and organs for pharmaceutical or technical use Hay and straw Pathogens Processed animal protein (packaged)	Minimum of 1 % Maximum of 10 %
Processed animal protein not for human consumption (bulked)	100 % for the first six consignments (points 10 and 11 of Chapter II of Annex VII to Regulation (EC) No 1774/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 October 2002 laying down health rules concerning animal by-products not intended for human consumption, as amended).

B.2. Import of non-animal food to the EU and the Republic of Moldova

— Chilli (<i>Capsicum annuum</i>), crushed or ground — ex 0904 20 90	10 % for Sudan dyes from all third countries
— Chilli products (curry) — 0910 91 05	
— <i>Curcuma longa</i> (turmeric) — 0910 30 00 (Food — dried spices)	
— Red palm oil — ex 1511 10 90	

B.3. Import in to the EU and the Republic of Moldova of plants, plant products and other objects

For plants, plant products and other objects listed in Annex V, Part B to Directive 2000/29/EC:

The importing Party carries out checks in order to verify the phytosanitary status of the consignment(s).

A reduced frequency of plant health import checks could be set up for regulated commodities with the exception of plants, plant product and other objects defined accordingly to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1756/2004 of 11 October 2004 specifying the detailed conditions for the evidence and the criteria for the type and level of the reduction of the plant health checks of certain plants, plant products or other objects listed in Part B of Annex V to Directive 2000/29/EC.
