

Regulatory aspects of camel milk development in Europe



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1) European Food standards

- The 'General Food Law'
- Reg. (EC) No 853/2004 on the hygiene of foodstuffs
- Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 specific hygiene rules for food of animal origin
- Regulation (EC) No 2073/2005, microbiological criteria for foodstuffs



2) The Novel Food Regulation

And the EU Novel Food Catalogue

Camelus dromedarius

Common Names

Dromedar (DE), Wielbład jednogarbny (mleko) (PL), dromedar (SE), üksküürkaamel (ET)

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Without prejudice to other requirements concerning the use and handling of (Camel) milk, Camel milk does not require authorisation under Regulation (EC) No 258/97 as it was on the market in the Eu before 15 May 1997.

Status



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3) The EU new legal framework

The movement and handling after entry of consignments of camelids and derived products have been subject to a new European legal framework, that applies **from 21 April 2021**.

The Animal Health Law (Regulation EU 2016/429) and the Official Controls Regulation (Reg. UE 2017/625) have been consequently supplemented.

At a glance:



Reg. (EU)
2019/625

Requirements for **the entry into the Union** of consignments of certain animals and goods intended for human consumption.

Reg. (EU)
2020/688

On **animal health requirements for movements** within the Union of terrestrial animals.

Reg. (EU)
2020/692

Rules for entry into the Union, movement, handling. **Risk mitigating treatments** of dairy products from Camelus Dromedarius (**Reg. No 605/2010 is repealed**)

Reg. (EU)
2020/2235

Animal health certificates and **official certificates** model for the entry into the Union of dairy products and meat of camelid animals

Reg. (EU)
2021/403

Animal health certificate model for:
- the movement between MS of camelid animals
- consignment of semen, oocytes, embryos of animals of the families Camelidae

Reg. (EU)
2021/404

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

Reg. EU
2021/520

Rules for the application of Regulation (EU) 2016/429 with regard to the **traceability** of certain kept terrestrial animals (including camels).



4) Imports

- Art. 11, General Food Law (Reg. EC 178/2002):

*Food and feed imported into the Community for placing on the market **shall comply with the relevant requirements of food law or conditions recognised by the Community to be at least equivalent***

Products of animal origin from outside the UE. Import requirements

Food business operators importing products of animal origin from third countries shall ensure that importation takes place only if:

- the third country is on a list of third countries from which imports of that product are permitted;
- the establishment is on a list establishments from which imports of that product are permitted,
- the product satisfies all the requirements

Thank you

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