TERMINOLOGY: USE OF THE TERMS  
‘competent authority’, ‘veterinary authority’, ‘veterinary services’

User's guide

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C*.* Specific issues

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6. International veterinary certificates

An international veterinary certificate is an official document that the Veterinary Authority of an exporting country issues in accordance with Chapters 5.1. and 5.2. It lists animal health requirements and, where appropriate, public health requirements for the exported commodity. The quality of the exporting country's Veterinary Services is essential in providing assurances to trading partners regarding the safety of exported animals and products. This includes the ~~Veterinary Services'~~ Veterinary Authority’s ethical approach to the provision of veterinary certificates and their history in meeting their notification obligations.

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