

Amendments to the Veterinary Medicine Law

Amend the Veterinary Medicine Law (Latvijas Republikas Saeimas un Ministru Kabineta Ziņotājs, 2001, No 11; 2002, No. 2.; 2003, No. 4, 6, 15; 2004, No. 9, 18, 23; 2006, No. 9.; 2009, No. 3, 14; Latvijas Vēstnesis, 2009, No. 196; 2010, No. 99.; 2011, No. 112.; 2012, No. 50.; 2013, No. 80.; 2014, No. 199.; 2015, No. 29.; 2017, No. 75.; 2019, No. 248.A; 2020, No. 244.; 2021, No. 246) as follows:

1. Add the following Clause 2¹ to Section 2¹:

“2¹) places where domestic (pet) animals — dogs, cats, or pet ferrets — are bred;”

2. Delete Clause 9 of the second paragraph of Section 4.

3. Add to Section 21³ the words “cat, and pet ferret” after the word “dog” in the first and second paragraphs.

4. Add the following as Clause 6¹ to Section 25:

“6¹) exceptions where microchip marking and registration of cats and pet ferrets is not mandatory;”

5. To add Clause 19 to Section 59 as follows:

“19) to ensure that a cat and a pet ferret are marked with a microchip in accordance with the procedures stipulated by the Cabinet, that they have a pet animal passport and that they are registered in the pet animal register database of the Agricultural Data Centre, except in cases where, in accordance with Section 25, Clause 6¹ of this Law, the requirements referred to are not mandatory.

6. The transitional provisions are supplemented with Clause 33 to read as follows:

“33. Vaccination certificates issued for cats and pet ferrets until 30 June 2024 shall be valid for the entire life of the cat and pet ferret. The passport for a domestic (pet) cat and a pet ferret, for which a vaccination certificate has been issued until 30 June 2024, is a mandatory document in Regulation (EU) No. [576/2013](#) in the cases provided for.”