

Comments of the Competent Authorities of Lithuania to the draft Report ref. DG(SANCO)/2012-6526-MR of an audit carried out from 12 to 16 November 2012 in order to evaluate the implementation of controls for animal welfare on farms and during transport

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Section Reference	Page	Draft report text	Proposed change
<i>5.1.2 Legislation</i> Findings Third bullet point, last sentence	2	A copy of the SFVS letter informing the Law Department of the Ministry of Justice about this was provided to the audit team on 21/11/2012.	A copy of the SFVS letter informing the Office of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Lithuania and the European Law Department under Ministry of Justice about this was provided to the audit team on 21/11/2012.
<i>5.1.3 Procedures to verify the effectiveness of official controls</i> Findings Fifth bullet point, first sentence	3	At territorial level the verification system requires that once every 3 months the territorial director randomly selects one operator's file.	At territorial level the verification system requires that once every 3 months the chief of territorial SFVS randomly selects one operator's file.
	6 and 8	Typing error “SFSV”	should be “SFVS”
<i>5.2.1 Broiler holdings</i> Conclusions Second paragraph, second sentence	8	However, an incorrect light regime is being imposed and the method currently used for calculating broiler stocking densities results in these being underestimated which can lead to non-compliances with approved maximum stocking densities.	However, an incorrect light regime is being imposed and the method currently used for calculating broiler stocking densities may result in these being underestimated which could lead to non-compliances with approved maximum stocking densities.
<i>5.3.3 Checks on transport</i> Findings Last bullet point on page, first sentence	15	In October 2012 the CCA issued Order B6 – 2227 reminding the relevant SFVS services of the existence of an agreement with the State Road Transport Inspectorate to participate in road side checks of animal welfare and of some specific requirements concerning transport of live animals.	In October 2012 the CCA issued letter No B6-(1.11)-2257 reminding the relevant SFVS services of the existence of an agreement with the State Road Transport Inspectorate to participate in road side checks of animal welfare and of some specific requirements concerning transport of live animals.