

POSSIBLE MENTIONS INDICATING ORIGIN OR PROVENANCE IN THE MEAT LABEL

Mentions in the label	Meaning
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Reared in:" 'name of the Member State or third country of rearing A' • "Slaughtered in:" 'name of the Member State or third country of slaughter B' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The animal has spent a substantial part of its life in country A (according to some requirements) and has been slaughtered in country B. • The countries of rearing and of slaughtering can be the same or different. • When the meat is imported from third countries or derived from imported animals and the information on the place of rearing is not provided by the exporter, the place of rearing is indicated as "Reared in : non-EU".
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Reared in several Member States" or "Reared in several non-EU countries" or "Reared in:" 'list of the Member States or third countries of rearing' (voluntary) • "Slaughtered in:" 'name of the Member State or third country of slaughter' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None of the countries in which the animal was reared has covered a substantial part of its life. Then the rearing place is indicated as "several countries" except if the meat producer wishes to indicate the complete list of different places of rearing and can demonstrate it.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Origin:" 'name of the Member State or third country in which the meat was wholly obtained' (voluntary) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meat is obtained from animals born, reared and slaughtered in one single country. It is indicated if the producer of the meat wishes and if he can demonstrate it. In this case the indication of the "origin" substitutes the separate indication of the place of rearing and the place of slaughter.
<p><u>Derogation for minced meat:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Reared in the EU" or "Reared in non-EU countries" • "Slaughtered in the EU" or "Slaughtered in non-EU countries" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For minced meat, due to the nature of production, different origins can be mixed and therefore the meat producer is allowed to indicate the Union character of the places of rearing and of slaughter or their provenance from third countries. A mix of both could be labelled as "reared and slaughtered in the EU and in non-EU countries".

REQUIREMENTS TO IDENTIFY THE COUNTRY OF REARING

Species	Age at slaughter	Member State or third country of rearing
PIGS	More than 6 months old	Member State or third country in which the latest period of 4 months of rearing took place
	Less than 6 months old with more than 80 Kg live weight	Member State or third country in which the pig was reared from a live weight of 30 Kg until slaughter
	Less than 6 months old with less than 80 Kg live weight	Member State or third country in which the whole rearing period since birth took place
SHEEP & GOATS	More than 6 months old	Member State or third country in which the latest period of 6 months of rearing took place
	Less than 6 months old	Member State or third country in which the whole rearing period since birth took place
POULTRY	More than 1 month old	Member State or third country in which the latest period of 1 month of rearing took place
	Less than 1 month old	Member State or third country in which the whole rearing period since placing took place

