# Foot and mouth: suspension of fresh meat and biltong/jerky from Namibia

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Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2026/2238 as regards the entries for Namibia in the lists of third countries or territories, or zones thereof authorised for the entry into the Union of consignments of fresh meat and meat products of certain ungulates

## What is changing and why?

The European Union (EU) has suspended imports of fresh meat and biltong/jerky type processed meat from Namibia due to an outbreak of foot and mouth disease (FMD) in Namibia's ■Kharas region on 23 September 2026. Namibia may continue to export other processed meat from beef and sheep, provided it has been treated in accordance with Regulation 2020/692, Annex XXVI, treatment B.

■Kharas is a region within the zone authorised to export fresh meat of beef, sheep, and game ungulates to the EU (zone 'NA-1', from Palgrave Point in the west to Gam).

This measure aims to protect the EU from the potential spread of FMD.

## Timeline

No consignments of fresh meat and biltong/jerky type processed meat from Namibia slaughtered and certified from **23 September 2026** may enter the EU market.

Consignments certified before 23 September 2026 are permitted onto the EU market until 21 December 2026 (90 days).

For more information see the full record on the AGRINFO website – where you can also view the latest AGRINFO Update newsletters and search the database.

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