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## Meat inspection: alignment of EU rules

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Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) <u>2025/687</u> as regards ante-mortem inspections in slaughterhouses, ante-mortem inspections at the holding of provenance and post-mortem inspections

## What is changing and why?

In recent years, the European Union (EU) has updated its animal health and hygiene rules in a number of areas. As a result, the rules on meat inspection (Regulation <u>2019/624</u>) are being updated for consistency. The changes include replacing references to tuberculosis and brucellosis with scientific names; allowing the granting of disease-free status for these two diseases at establishment level (instead of at herd level); and clarifying where ante-mortem (pre-death) inspections of sheep, goats, and farmed game may be conducted.

## Timeline

This Regulation applies from 27 April 2025.

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