



# VMP Regulation–State of Play

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Already in force  
Applies 28/01/2022

Regulation (EU) 2019/6 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 on veterinary medicinal products and repealing Directive 2001/82/EC



# VMP Regulation 2022

In March only 2 acts published in the O.J  
Today 12 acts + amendment OCR

IA Union Product Database

IA List of variations not requiring assessment

DA Requirements for the collection of data on sales and use of AM

DA Criteria to designate AM reserved for humans only

IA Good Pharmacovigilance Practice & PSMF

DA Annex II

IA Format for the collection of data on sales and use of AM

IA List of AM reserved for human use only

DA Imports of animals and products of animal origin

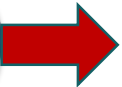
IA Common logo for online sales

IA GDP Active substances

IA GDP VMPs

12+2 legal acts

AHL



DA Horse passport

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To be adopted by 2025  
or as necessary (\*)

11 legal acts = work in  
progress 2 legal acts

# VMP Regulation Beyond 2022

Other  
priorities to be  
identified

IA List of  
substances for  
off-label use in  
food-producing  
aquatic species

DA Procedures  
for financial  
penalties for CAs  
VMP

IA GMPs VMPs &  
active substances

IA List of  
substances  
essential for  
equine species

IA Rules on the size of  
small immediate  
packaging units

IA List of AM not  
to be used outside  
terms of MA\*

IA Uniform  
rules on the  
identification  
code

IA Abbreviations  
and pictograms  
for labelling

IA Model format for  
prescriptions\*

IA Rules for the  
functioning of the  
worksharing  
procedure \*

DA Rules for VMP  
oral  
administration via  
drinking water or  
top dressing

EMA  
advice  
issued

EMA  
advice  
in  
preparation

# Applications

Commission  
Delegated  
Regulation  
(EU) 2021/578

## Next Steps

- Consolidate Regulation 2019/6
- Considering a correcting act: (AHE- 'pre-clinical safety studies')

Requirements on technical documentation necessary for demonstrating the quality, safety and efficacy of VMPs – Annex II

Updated requirements for dossier for marketing authorisations

Reduction of administrative burden and increasing the availability

New rules for biological and novel therapy VMPs – to promote product innovation and development

Addresses issues related to the development of AMR

New/updated provisions for:

- Vaccine antigen master file
- Vaccine platform technology\*
- Multi-strain dossier (viral & bacterial)

Defines reduced data requirements for limited markets and applications in exceptional circumstances

Contribution to the F2F Strategy  
Reduction of the EU overall sales of AM by 50% in 2030

One Health approach

# Antimicrobial Resistance Prudent Use

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/1760

Criteria to designate AM reserved for humans only

IA List of AM reserved for human use

DA Imports of animals and products of animal origin

IA List of AM not to be used outside the terms MA\*

Preserving the efficacy of AM – public health / animal health  
Longer “viability” on the market

DELAYED

DA Criteria  
Adopted by COM 26/05  
Supported by Council  
Extension of the objection period by EP 26/09 following a motion by the Greens  
VOTE EP 15/09  
Motion rejected  
205 votes in favor  
450 votes against  
32 abstentions

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No legal deadline COM to adopt

EMA opinion by end Feb 22

Discussions MSs March 2022

Delayed

**Targeted Amendment OCR Regulation (EU) 2021/1756 of the EP and of the Council**

Discussions MSs April 2022

EMA opinion by end March 22

Certification /authorised third countries for imports into the Union

Drafting import requirements under VMP and OCR  
Discussions expected at the beginning of 2022

Ban on imports of animals and products of animal origin treated with AMs from the list + growth promotion/yield increase

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# Antimicrobial Resistance Monitoring & Risk Management

Commission  
Delegated  
Regulation (EU)  
2021/578

Requirements for the collection of data on sales and use of AM

Targeted measures

Format for the collection of data on sales and use of AM

Legal deadline  
COM to adopt by  
27/02/22

Public consultation  
ongoing:  
deadline  
21/12/21

Standing  
Committee  
in January 22

Provides a good overview of the EU market landscape, overall EU and per Member State, on sales of AM used in animals and on use of AM per animal species (food producing animals and other animals kept or bred)

⇒ Valuable information for the industry

Common approach for data collection across the EU will ensure data quality and comparability ⇒ monitoring

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One Health  
approach

# Medicated Feed

EURL opinion  
methods of  
analysis in the  
pipeline

EFSA opinion for 24  
antimicrobials adopted  
and published

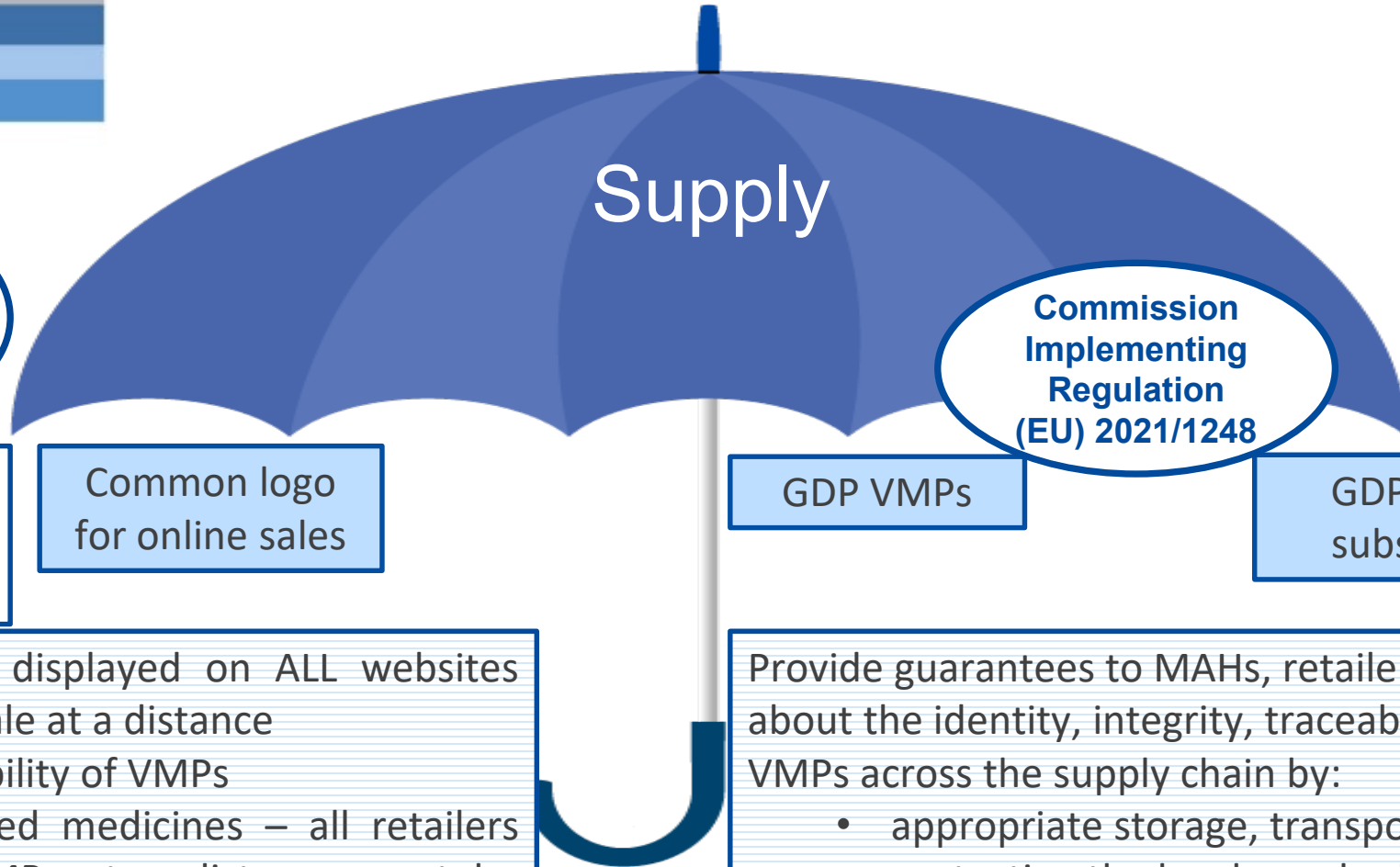
Presentation of EFSA  
opinion in Expert  
Group in December/  
discussions next year

Legal  
obligation to  
adopt  
delegated act  
by January  
2023

DA specific maximum  
levels of cross-  
contamination for  
active substances in  
non-target feed, may  
also set out methods  
of analysis for active  
substances in feed.

Regulation (EU) 2019/4 of  
the European Parliament and  
of the Council of 11  
December 2018 on the  
manufacture, placing on the  
market and use of medicated  
feed, amending Regulation  
(EC) No 1831/2003 of the  
European Parliament and of  
the Council and repealing  
Council Directive 90/167/EEC





Supply

**Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/1904**

registration of the logo as a trademark completed

Common logo for online sales

- The logo must be displayed on ALL websites offering VMPs for sale at a distance
- Will increase availability of VMPs
- Fight against falsified medicines – all retailers offering sale of VMPs at a distance must be listed on the corresponding national website
- Increase in consumer confidence

**Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/1248**

GDP VMPs

- Provide guarantees to MAHs, retailers and consumers about the identity, integrity, traceability and quality of VMPs across the supply chain by:
- appropriate storage, transport and handling
  - protecting the legal supply chain during storage and transport

**Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/1280**

GDP Active substances

# Post-marketing authorisation measures

## Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/16

Union Product Database

- Enhance the Single market by providing info on existing VMPs and their availability per Member State
- Help vets elaborate treatment alternatives
- Future-proof by continuous evolution involving MAH feedback
- Aimed at avoiding duplicate input of info
- Reducing admin burden, e.g. by allowing grouping changes

Variations not requiring assessment

## Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/17

Good Pharmacovigilance Practice & PSMF

## Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/1281

- New category of “variations”
- Easy procedure for recording changes to a VMP that do not need to be assessed by NCAs
- Reduction of administrative burden

- Create an efficient system of continuous surveillance
- Pharmacovigilance database
- Better info for users (SPC+PL)
- Increased consumer confidence in safe VMPs

# Horse Passport

Rules for and a model of the single lifetime identification document that must accompany equine animals

Commission  
Delegated  
Regulation  
(EU) 2021/577

DA rules identification, incorporating the model forms for entering the information necessary to apply AHL, VMP and zootecnicis

IA content and format of the information y

Commission  
Implementing  
Regulation (EU)  
2021/963

## Next Steps

- Regulation correcting Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/577 as regards certain references to veterinary medicinal products in the pipeline: erroneous use of the word 'veterinary' where the text is to be related both to veterinary medicinal products and medicinal products for human use

Content and format of information on the use of veterinary medicinal products and on the possibility to exclude animals of equine family from the food chain

**Art. 158:** Review of measures regarding animals of equine species-by **29/01/25** EC to present report to Council/EP- assessment on the situation and their exclusion from food chain

# Other non-legislative actions/Implementation

## Commission Notice on marketing authorisations for veterinary medicinal products for which the expiry of the 5-year period of validity falls on or after the date of entry into application of Regulation (EU) 2019/6

- To inform stakeholders on how the Commission intends to deal with centrally authorised veterinary medicinal products for which the expiry of the 5-year period of validity of the marketing authorisation falls on or after 28 January 2022. The Notice also addresses certain questions that may arise in relation to nationally authorised products
- Q&A for both centrally and nationally authorised products and for centrally authorised products only
- [Publications Office \(europa.eu\)](https://publications.ec.europa.eu/)

# Review of rules for environmental risk assessment

- Feasibility study under Article 156 (active-substance-based review system ('monographs') and possible alternatives) finalised and report published

<https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/03055c4d-42a6-11ec-89db-01aa75ed71a1/language-en/format-PDF/source-243449059>

- Conclusion: the monograph system would contribute to meeting the general objectives of the VMPP. In an initial implementation phase, the monograph system would probably be more cost- and resource-intensive than the current system. In the long term, however, the study authors expect that the efforts and costs would become lower and the benefits would outweigh the disadvantages. In addition, the monograph system would support the EU Strategic Approach to Pharmaceuticals in the Environment (COM(2019)128) and the Green Deal – zero emission – OS-OA approach (COM(2019)640)
- **By 28/01/2022 Commission to draft a report to the EP and to the Council to be accompanied, if appropriate, by a legislative proposal**

# Ongoing Revision of the EMA FEES – Study Supporting the Impact Assessment



- Objective: creation of a cost-based fee system that will ensure the ongoing and future sustainability of the regulatory system through appropriate funding and flexibility to adapt to the fast changing sector in which it operates, while ensuring business continuity.
- Targeted consultations: NCAs, EMA, industry, broader stakeholders (14 June - 23 August)
- Contractor currently double checking calculations and analyzing feed-back received, in parallel to preparing interim study deliverables

# Where can you follow progress?

On our dedicated web page:

<https://europa.eu/!rJ63kT> or QR code →



# Where can you provide feedback?

On the Have Your Say platform:

<https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say>

We count on your continued commitment to make the implementation of the VMP Regulation our common success

# Thank you



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