



Department
for Environment
Food & Rural Affairs

IMPORTS AND EU POLICY TEAM

OVS NOTE 2025/10

29 January 2025

OUTBREAK OF PESTE DES PETITS RUMINANTS IN HUNGARY

Purpose

1. To inform you that imports of the following commodities from Hungary have been temporarily suspended in response to a recent outbreak of Peste des Petits Ruminants (PPR):
 - a. Live sheep and goats (GBHC 630 and 631)
 - b. Ovine and caprine germplasm (GBHC 820, 821 and 822)
 - c. Raw milk and raw milk products derived from ovine and caprine animals (GBHC 410 and 411)
2. To also inform you that the following commodities from Hungary should be held while safeguard measures are implemented:
 - a. Fresh and chilled (untreated) hides and skins of ovine and caprine animals (GBHC 540)
 - b. Untreated wool and hair from ovine and caprine animals (GBHC 586).

Background

3. Hungary reported their first case of PPR to WOAHA on 27 January 2025: [WAHIS](#). This outbreak was confirmed on 24 January 2025 in a sheep establishment with 1,810 sheep, located in Szentgyörgyvölgy, near the Hungarian – Slovenian border.
4. The UK Office for SPS Trade Assurance amended its country listings on 29 January 2025 to temporarily suspend imports from Hungary of the following commodities:
 - Live sheep and goats (see the [live ungulates list](#))
 - Ovine and caprine germplasm (see the [ovine and caprine semen](#) and [ovine and caprine ova and embryos](#) lists)
 - Raw milk and raw milk products derived from ovine and caprine animals (see the [milk and milk products list](#))

5. The UK Office for SPS Trade Assurance is also coordinating the delivery of safeguard declarations to prohibit the import from Hungary of untreated wool and hair and untreated hides and skins of sheep and goats. A separate OVS note will be issued when this has taken place.
6. In the meantime, any consignments from Hungary of untreated wool and hair from ovine and caprine animals and fresh and chilled (untreated) hides and skins of ovine and caprine animals should be held.

Action for OVSs

7. To note the contents of this OVS note.

Contact point for enquiries

Email: imports@apha.gov.uk
 ukassurance@defra.gov.uk

Imports and EU Trade Team