

**IMPORTANT** - The transition concerns **ONLY** certification requirements.  
It **DOES NOT AFFECT THE APPLICATION** of Articles 12, 13 and 14 of Regulation (EU) 2019/625 for composite products.

Effect of the transition established by Article 35 of Commission Regulation (EU) 2235/2020  
on the imports of **composite products** into the EU after 21 April 2021 and until 20 October 2021

Before 21 April 2021		After 21 April 2021		What certification during transition until 20 October 2021?		
Composite product	Was a certificate required?	Categorisation	What is required?	Does the transition apply?	Why?	What is accepted?
Containing more than 50% of processed products of animal origin	Yes <sup>1</sup>	Non-shelf stable	The new certificate <sup>2</sup>	Yes	A certificate was required before 21 April 2021	The old certificate <sup>1</sup> shall be accepted until 20 October 2021, provided it was signed before 21 August. The new certificate <sup>2</sup> is accepted.
		Shelf-stable containing meat products (except gelatine, collagen and highly refined products)	The new certificate <sup>2</sup>	Yes	A certificate was required before 21 April 2021	The old certificate <sup>1</sup> shall be accepted until 20 October 2021, provided it was signed before 21 August. The new certificate <sup>2</sup> is accepted.
		Shelf-stable but not containing meat products (except gelatine, collagen and highly refined products)	The new private attestation <sup>3</sup>	Yes	A certificate was required before 21 April 2021	The old certificate <sup>1</sup> shall be accepted until 20 October 2021, provided it was signed before 21 August. The new private attestation <sup>3</sup> is accepted.
Containing any quantity of meat	Yes <sup>1</sup>	Non shelf-stable or shelf-stable containing meat products (except gelatine, collagen and highly refined products)	The new certificate <sup>2</sup>	Yes	A certificate was required before 21 April 2021	The old certificate <sup>1</sup> shall be accepted until 20 October 2021, provided it was signed before 21 August. The new certificate <sup>2</sup> is accepted.
Non shelf-stable containing any quantity of milk	Yes <sup>1</sup>	Non shelf-stable	The new certificate <sup>2</sup>	Yes	A certificate was required before 21 April 2021	The old certificate <sup>1</sup> shall be accepted until 20 October 2021, provided it was signed before 21 August. The new certificate <sup>2</sup> is accepted.
Without meat and containing less than 50 % of processed products of animal origin <sup>4</sup>	No	Non shelf-stable	The new certificate <sup>2</sup>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b> certificate was required before 21 April 2021	<b>Only the new certificate<sup>2</sup> is accepted to accompany the composite products.</b>
		Shelf-stable not containing meat products (except gelatine, collagen and highly refined products)	The new private attestation <sup>3</sup>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b> certificate was required before 21 April 2021	<b>Only the new private attestation<sup>3</sup> is accepted to accompany the composite products.</b>

<sup>1</sup> As established by Commission Regulation (EU) No 28/2012 of 11 January 2012 laying down requirements for the certification for imports into and transit through the Union of certain composite products and amending Decision 2007/275/EC and Regulation (EC) No 1162/2009 (OJ L 12, 14.1.2012, p. 1–13)

<sup>2</sup> Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of not shelf-stable composite products and shelf-stable composite products, containing any quantity of meat products except gelatine, collagen and highly refined products, and intended for human consumption (Model COMP), as established in Chapter 50 of Annex III of Regulation (EU) 2020/2235

<sup>3</sup> Model private attestation by the operator entering shelf-stable composite products into the Union in accordance with Article 14 of Regulation (EU) 2019/625, as established in Annex V of Regulation (EU) 2020/2235

<sup>4</sup> Excluding non-shelf-stable composite products containing any quantity of milk