

VETERINARY PRESCRIPTION FOR MEDICATED FEED

A veterinary prescription for medicated feed (VpMF) shall be issued only **after a clinical examination or any other proper assessment of the health status** of the animal or group of animals by a veterinarian and **only for a diagnosed disease**.

EXCEPTIONS

1. Veterinary prescription for medicated feed containing immunological veterinary medicinal products may be issued also in the absence of a diagnosed disease.
2. If it is not possible to confirm the presence of a diagnosed disease, a veterinary prescription for medicated feed containing antiparasitics without antimicrobial effects may be issued based on the knowledge of the parasite infestation status in the animal or group of animals.

INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE VPMF:

- Full name and contact details of the veterinarian including, if available, the professional number.
- Issue date, unique number of the prescription, expiry date of and signature or an equivalent electronic form of identification of the veterinarian.
- Full name and contact details of the animal keeper, and identification number of the establishment, if existing.
- Identification (including category, species and age) and number of animals or, where appropriate, the weight of the animals.
- Diagnosed disease to be treated. In the case of immunological veterinary medicinal products or antiparasitics without antimicrobial effects, disease to be prevented.
- Designation (name and marketing authorisation number) of the veterinary medicinal product or products, including the name of the active substance or substances.
- If the veterinary medicinal product is prescribed under the rules of exceptional use (off label use), a statement to that effect.
- Inclusion rate of the veterinary medicinal product or products and active substance or substances (quantity per weight unit of medicated feed).
- Quantity of medicated feed.
- Instructions for use for the animal keeper, including the duration of the treatment.
- Percentage of medicated feed in the daily ration or quantity of medicated feed per animal and day.
- For food-producing animals, withdrawal period, even if such period is zero.
- Any warnings necessary to ensure the proper use including, where relevant, to ensure prudent use of antimicrobials.
- For food-producing animals and fur animals, the mention "This prescription shall not be re-used".
- The following mentions to be completed by the supplier of the medicated feed or the on-farm mixer, as appropriate:
 - name or business name and address,
 - date of delivery or on-farm mixing,
 - batch number of medicated feed delivered under the veterinary prescription for medicated feed, except for on-farm mixers.
- Signature of the supplier of the animal keeper or of the on-farm mixer.

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