

Comitology

The European Commission acts in the general interest of the European Union. It is the implementing body for the policies and acts adopted by the Parliament and the Council. The Commission has the possibility to take implementing measures, i.e. regulations, directives or implementing decisions, assisted by so-called expert groups.

Standing Committee on Veterinary Medicinal Products

Implementing acts



Shall be adopted by the Commission if a uniform application of a binding act is necessary in the EU and cannot be left to the discretion of each Member States, in accordance with the principle of subsidiarity.

The Commission shall submit proposals for implementing acts to the opinion of a Committee.



Committees

Comitology committees are set up by the legislator (Council and European Parliament or Council alone). They are composed of one representative from each EU Member State and are chaired by a Commission official.

The Standing Committee on Veterinary Medicinal Products is set up by Article 145 of Regulation No 2019/6. The Commission shall submit draft acts to the Committee in accordance with the examination procedure (Article 5 of Regulation No 182/2011).

Organisation

The committees meet several times a year on Commission premises (usually in Brussels).

Before each meeting, the Commission shall send the invitation, the agenda and the draft implementing act to the national authorities. After the meeting, it publishes the results of the vote and the summary minutes of the meeting in the Committee's Rules of Procedure.



Qualified majority voting

- If a qualified majority (55 % of EU countries representing at least 65 % of the total EU population) votes in favour of the proposed implementing act, the Commission must adopt it.
- In the event of a blocking minority (4 states and representing at least 35 % of the European population or 45 % of the states (13 countries), the Commission cannot adopt a vote.
- In the absence of a qualified majority for or against, the Commission may adopt the act or propose a new version.



Written procedure

The opinion of the Standing Committee may be obtained by written procedure where, in particular areas, rapid action is requested on a regular basis or where the basic act provides for specific and binding time-limits for action.

These cases may be considered to be "duly justified cases", Article 3(5) of Regulation (EEC) No 182/2011



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— Centralised marketing authorisations

- Determination Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs)
- conclusion of Community arbitrations

The CVMP of the EMA issues an opinion by a majority which is sent to the European Commission.

The ANMV participates in the CVMP and may act as rapporteur or co-rapporteur of a dossier.

Implementing acts in the field of veterinary medicinal products:

Regulation No 2019/6
Regulation No 470/2009

Draft act

The Commission prepares on the basis of the opinion of the CVMP or is at the initiative of a draft act to be submitted to the Standing Committee on Veterinary Medicinal Products.

Written vote

A Member State may request a plenary meeting in case of disagreement. This meeting is organised by the European Commission within 15 days.

The ANMV is responsible for following up written procedures.

Plenary meeting

The Commission brings together the Member States in Brussels. The vote shall be held by a show of hands by qualified majority.

The ANMV participates in the meetings of the Standing Committee as an expert alone or in line ministries support

Adoption of the act

The act adopted shall be translated into all the languages of the European Union.

Publication

The act is published in the Official Journal of the European Union and is available on the EurLex website.

The ANMV is the competent authority responsible for the enforcement of decisions.



References:

- 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
- Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 16 February 2011 laying down the rules and general principles concerning mechanisms for control by Member States of the Commission's exercise of implementing powers