



Kosovo Food and Veterinary Laboratory NRL for Campylobacter

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Map of Republic of Kosovo



Republic of Kosovo – Introduction

Kosovo is a land-locked country, bordering with Albania, Macedonia, Serbia, and Montenegro.

total: 702 km border countries: Albania 112 km, Macedonia 159 km, Montenegro 79 km, Serbia 352 km

Capital of Republic of Kosovo is Pristina

Kosovo has around 10,887 sq km territory of which 41 % are forest.

There are 37 Municipalities located in 5 Regions

Republic of Kosovo

Ethnic groups: Albanians 92%, other (Serb, Bosniak, Gorani, Roma, Turk, Ashkali, Egyptian) 8% (2008)

Population: 1,836,529 (July 2011 est.)

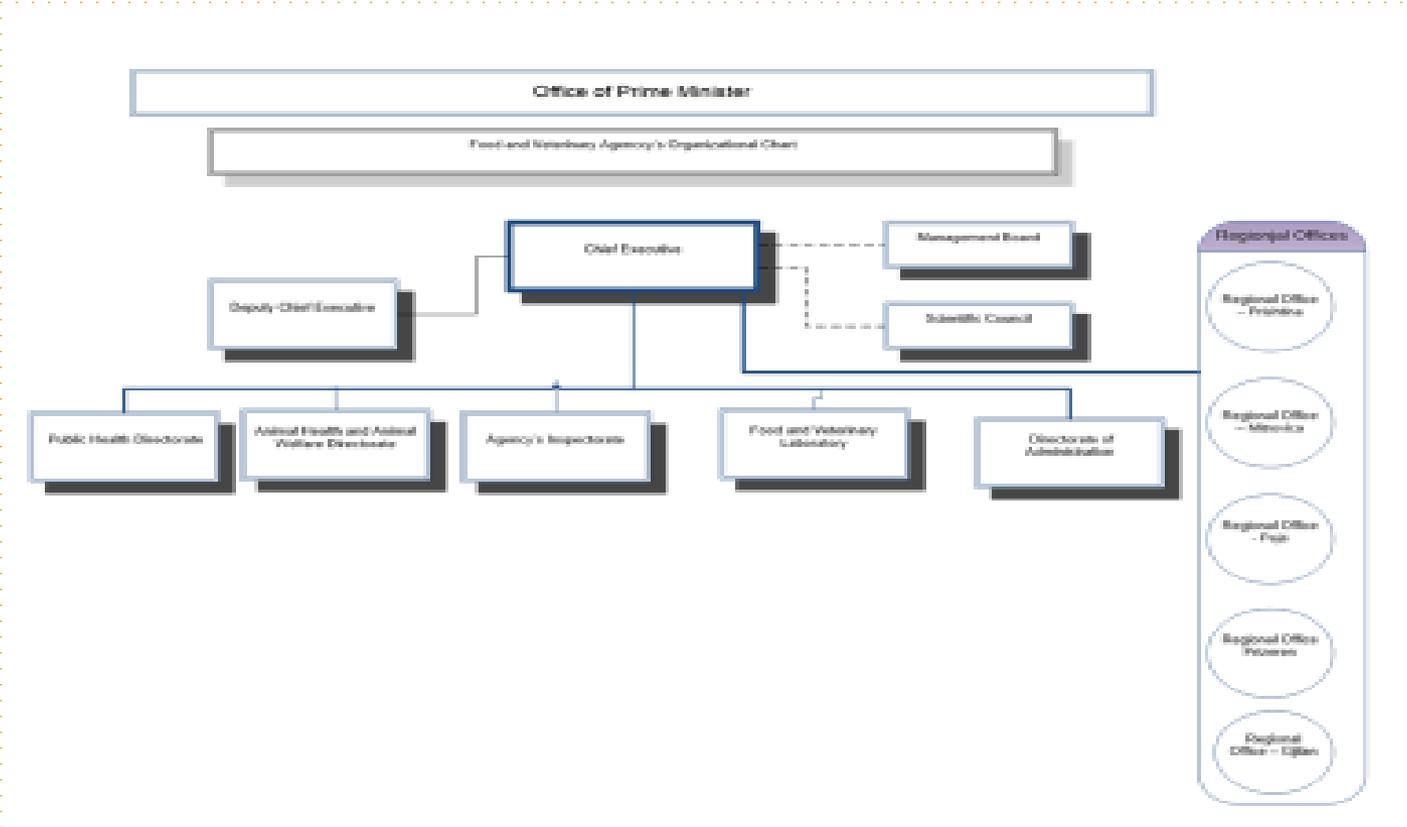
Languages: Albanian (official), Serbian (official), Bosnian, Turkish, Roma

Religions: Muslim, Serbian Orthodox, Roman Catholic

Organization in Food and Veterinary Agency

Food and Veterinary Agency is an executive agency which operates under the Office of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Kosovo and is organized in accordance with the Regulation. 03/2010 on Organization of the Food and Veterinary Agency.

KVFA Organogram



Food and Veterinary Agency

Objectives

To ensure monitoring and control of contagious animal diseases, zoonosis and animal welfare, to eliminate outbreaks of diseases; to apply all the necessary biological measures for prevention from the introduction of contagious diseases and zoonosis into the territory of Kosovo.

To control and ensure food safety at all stages of food handling, and safeguard the interests of consumers, to ensure that the food placed into the market is safe as well as the food intended for export complies and is safe and are met, labeling and other mandatory requirements established by the legislation.

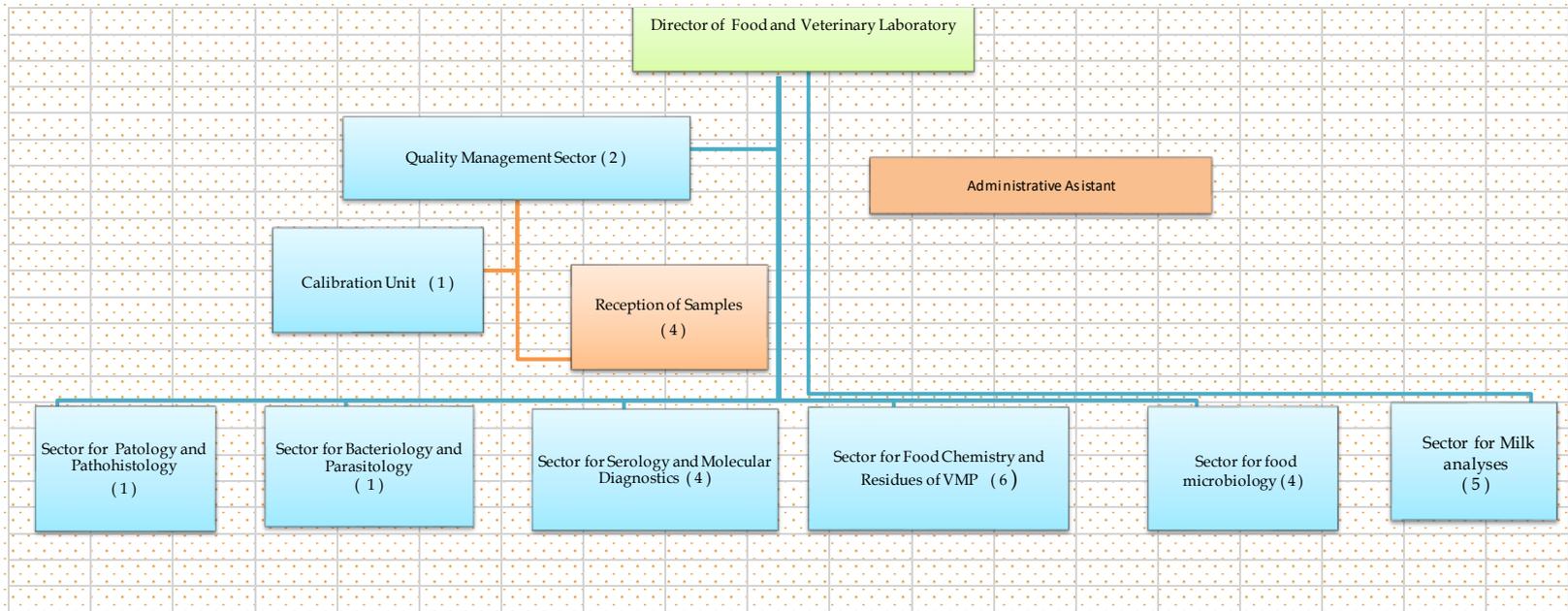
Food and Veterinary Agency

ACTIVITY

The Food and Veterinary Agency (FVA) of Kosovo develops and implements the Government's policy in food safety and quality as well as animal health and animal welfare rules. The FVA reports directly to the Government of Kosovo. The office of the Prime minister)

The FVA as an inspection body is delegated by the Government of Kosovo to carry out inspections in the field of safety, hygiene, traceability and labeling of food and feed and as well as in the field of processing, packaging, distribution, wholesale and retail of food and feed under EU and national legislation.

Organization of FVL



FVL has the following laboratories

1. Laboratory for Patho Anatomy and Histology
2. Laboratory for Bacteriology and Mycology
3. Laboratory for Serology and Molecular Diagnostics
4. Laboratory for Food and Feed Microbiology
5. Laboratory for Chemistry and Residues of VMP
6. Laboratory for Milk Quality

Accreditation of FVA

FVA is accredited by the General Directorate of Accreditation of Kosovo on 11.02.2014 until 11.02.2018.

continued its second re-accreditation from 11.02.2018 until 14.02.2022LUV

Legal Base

Regulation (EC) No 852/2004 Of The European Parliament And Of The Council Of 29 April 2004 On The Hygiene Of Foodstuffs.

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Commission Regulation (Eu) 2017/1495 Of 23 August 2017 Amending Regulation (EC) No. 2073/2005 As Regards Campylobacter In Broiler Carcasses.

Commission Regulation (Ec) No. 2073/2005 Of 15 November 2005 On Microbiological Criteria For Foodstuffs.

Kosovo Regulation - No.09 / 2018 on amending the Regulation no. 27/2012 On Microbiological Criteria in Food Products , based on Commission Regulation (EC) No. 2073/2005 Of 15 November 2005 On Microbiological Criteria For Foodstuffs.

Food Category	Microorganism	Sampling Plan		Limit		Analytical Method	Phase where criteria applied	Action in case of unsatisfactory
		n	c	m	M			
2.1.9. Broiler Carcasses	Campylobacter spp.	50 (5)	c = 20	1 000 cfu/g		EN ISO 10272-2	Carcasses after chilling	Improvements in slaughter hygiene and revision of the inspection process, animal origin and biosecurity measures on farm of origin
			nga 1.1.2020					
			c = 15;					
			nga 1.1.2025					
			c = 10					

Current Situation

- No sample tested so far
- Contract with supplier

Planned activities

It is foreseen by national control Plan for 2020 , to start collection of samples for testing on Campylobacter

Thank you for your attention

