



FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE in Slovakia – state of play until 10/04/2025

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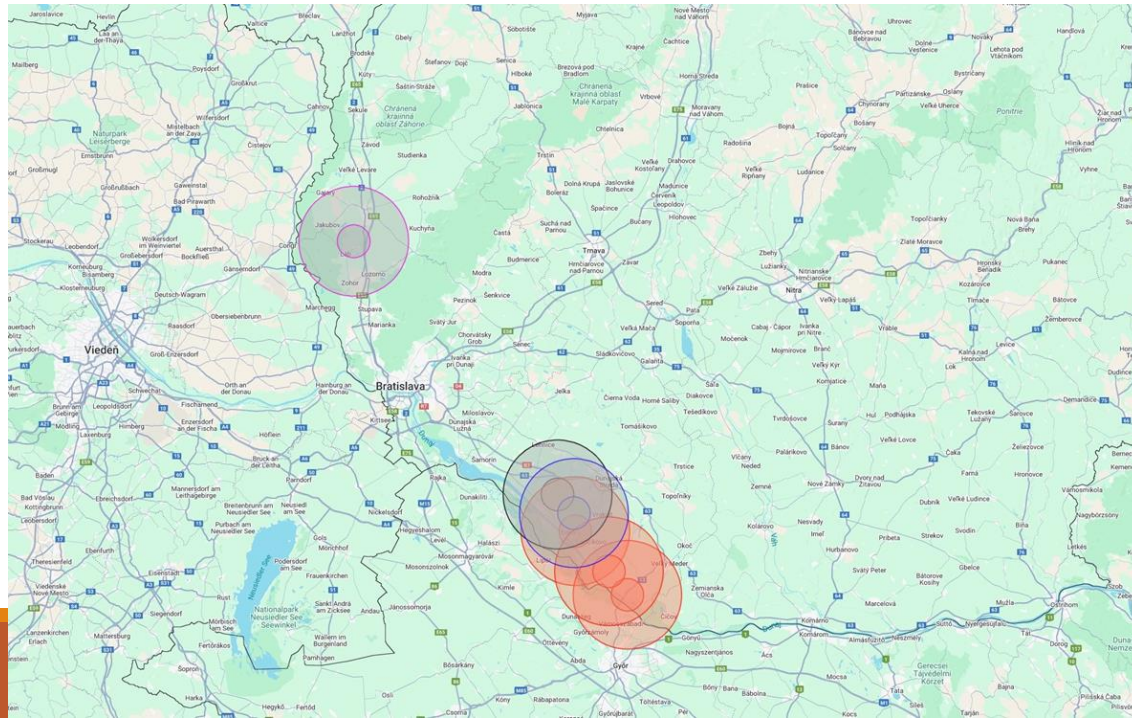
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CURRENT SITUATION (state of play to 10/04/2025)

- 6 confirmed outbreaks (2 primary, 4 secondary) in commercial cattle holdings



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OUTBREAK No. 6 (SK-FMD-2025-00006)

- confirmed on 04/04/2025,
- emergency vaccination finished on 05/04/2025,
- depopulation finished on 10/04/2025,
- preliminary C & D in progress.

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CONTACT HOLDING

TO BAKA (SK-FMD-2025-00003) AND JUROVÁ (SK-FMD-2025-00006)

- Dolný Štál, 874 heifers,
- emergency vaccination finished,
- depopulation on going.

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SAMPLING (state of play until 10/04/2025)

- intensive sampling in restricted zones is ongoing,
- number of tested farms: **659**
- number of farms tested positive: **6**
- samples from outbreaks 1 – 5 sent to the EU RL.

Number of samples	7 541
Positive samples	235

<i>PCR/positive</i>	<i>NSP ELISA/positive</i>
6 720/160	821/75

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MEASURES

- measures according EU legislation are in place,
- extraordinary veterinary measures in place.



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MEASURES

LIVE SUSCEPTIBLE ANIMALS

SURVEILLANCE ZONE

- to **slaughterhouse** in Slovakia:

clinical examination within 24 hours before movement

- within own **supply chain** (to complete production cycle):

negative PCR result and **clinical examination** within 24 hours before movement

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MEASURES

LIVE SUSCEPTIBLE ANIMALS

FURTHER RESTRICTED ZONE (FRZ)

- the **ban on export** of live susceptible animals from FRZ (whole Bratislavský, Trnavský and Nitriansky region) is in place.

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MEASURES

LIVE SUSCEPTIBLE ANIMALS

FURTHER RESTRICTED ZONE (FRZ) – derogation

- to **slaughterhouse** in Slovakia:

clinical examination within 24 hours before movement, **second** clinical examination at the farm after slaughter,

- within own **supply chain** (to complete production cycle):

clinical examination within 24 hours before movement

- also applies to those parts of districts Dunajská Streda and Komárno which are in FRZ.

Samples always taken in case of broken seal, missing documents ...

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MEASURES

LIVE SUSCEPTIBLE ANIMALS

WHOLE TERRITORY OF SLOVAKIA

Sampling in case of FMD suspicion

Clinical examinations (with accompanying documents) before movements

Prohibition of entry of unauthorized persons into farms

Biosecurity measures at farms

Closure of all facilities displaying animals to the public, including zoos and circuses

Ban on organizing all mass events, markets, exhibitions and gatherings with susceptible animals

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ADDITIONAL MEASURES

- strengthening **biosecurity** checks on farms (veterinary service with Police),
- road/border crossing checks,
- public awareness.

SAFE DISPOSAL OF DEAD BODIES

- rendering plant,
- burial sites.

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FRESH MEAT

SUSCEPTIBLE ANIMALS

RESTRICTED ZONE

It can only be transported directly to a processing establishment for heat treatment.

Fresh meat is marked with the **oval health mark supplemented by a diagonal cross consisting of two straight lines intersecting at the center of the stamp**, in accordance with Annex IX to Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687. Following heat treatment, the products are marked with the **standard oval mark**.

The movement of fresh meat from wild animals from restricted zones is prohibited.

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FRESH MEAT

SUSCEPTIBLE ANIMALS

FURTHER RESTRICTED ZONE (FRZ)

The movement of fresh meat is subject to a clinical examination of the animals within 24 hours before being moved to an approved slaughterhouse, with another clinical examination carried out no earlier than 24 hours later. Only after that is the meat released to the market marked with the oval health mark.

The movement of fresh meat from wild animals from the FRZ is prohibited.

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MEAT PRODUCTS

RESTRICTED ZONE

Meat products that have undergone heat treatment, in accordance with Annex VII to Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687, are marked with the **standard oval mark**.

FURTHER RESTRICTED ZONE

No specific control measures are applicable to meat products that have not undergone any heat treatment.

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RAW MILK, COLOSTRUM, DAIRY PRODUCTS

RESTRICTED ZONE

It can only be transported directly to a processing establishment for heat treatment.

FURTHER RESTRICTED ZONE

- the collection of raw milk may be carried out from holdings with direct transport to a processing establishment for heat treatment (Annex VII to Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687),
- the vehicle operating from within the further restricted zone does not exit this zone and does not enter the protection zone or surveillance zone established for FMD,
- more stringent cleaning and disinfection.

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ADDITIONAL MEASURES

PROTECTION AND SURVEILLANCE ZONES

- **home slaughter** of susceptible animals is encouraged with prior notification (pursuant to § 23 of Act No. 39/2007 Coll. on Veterinary Care)

Stakeholders milk associations has been instructed to apply more stringent measures:

- the transfer must be carried out in sealed containers (sealing of containers applies only to the protection zone, this requirement does not apply in the surveillance zone),
- the processing facility must be located within the same Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) restriction zone or as close as possible to the affected FMD restriction zone,
- the processing establishment must be under the supervision of official veterinarians,
- a direct route must be used for transport from the production holding to the processing plant,
- enhanced cleaning and disinfection measures must be implemented.

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ADDITIONAL MEASURES – WILD GAME

- samples from ASF monitoring in wild boars are also tested serologically for FMD,
- all other blood samples from susceptible ungulates tested serologically for FMD,
- virological testing of samples (swabs, epithelium from lesions, fluid from vesicles) from suspected animals.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

