

## Procedure for the acceptance of loading compartments after the transport of prohibited loads

### 1. Road transport

The transporter has two possibilities for releasing a loading compartment after the transport of a prohibited load:

#### **Option A: Release by a control organization or certification / inspection body**

The following steps must be taken in the sequence specified in order to obtain admission of a loading compartment after the transport of a prohibited load.

1. A cleaning operation designed specifically for the nature of the prohibited load must be carried in accordance with a protocol worked out in advance by the company.
2. Assessment of the loading compartment - at the expense of the company - before loading with feed and after the above-mentioned cleaning operation by an independent ~~checking body~~ control organization or certification / inspection body with a certified or accredited status with regard to loading compartment inspections.

The release must be performed by a loading inspector who complies with one or several of the following requirements:

- He/she is employed by a control organisation or a certification / inspection body which has been accredited in accordance with ISO 17020 (with specialisation in feed / grains or liquid agribulk) and/or accredited in accordance with EN 45011 (where the inspection of loading compartments belongs to the accredited scope).
- He/she is employed by an organisation which operates in accordance with a recognised certification system such as ISO 9001:-2015 or equivalent where independent inspection, verification, sampling and testing of arable products can be demonstrated to belong to the certified scope.

The control organisation verifies on the basis of the logbook which previous loads have been transported and which cleaning and disinfecting operations have been performed. The loading compartment of the transport means is then assessed visually for any residues, especially in places which are hard to clean.

3. Issue by the loading inspector of a statement (at the inspection address) which must show that the transport means / loading compartment can be used again for the transport of feed.
4. Depending on the previous loads and the results of the visual inspection, additional hygienic measurements can be performed - in the judgment of the loading inspector and at the expense of the company - by means of ATP measurements or agar stamps. Another possibility is an analysis of the flushing water (see further guidance under item 2).

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### **Option B: Release by a loading inspector from a GMP+ certified company.**

The following steps must be taken in the sequence specified in order to obtain admission of a loading compartment after the transport of a prohibited load \*).

1. After the transport of a prohibited load the company must carry out 5 neutral loads (with cleaning A, B or C), in so far as these are not feed) with the (suitable) transport means concerned before the transport means can be released for feed;
2. A cleaning operation designed specifically for the prohibited load, with water (and disinfectant) must be carried out in accordance with a protocol worked out in advance by the company. The company must demonstrate the performance of the cleaning and/or disinfection by means of a European Cleaning Document (ECD) or an equivalent cleaning certificate from the flushing station.
3. Assessment of the loading compartment before loading with feed and after the above-mentioned cleaning and disinfection by an (own) loading inspector of the GMP+ B1, GMP+ B2, or GMP+ B3 (2007) of GMP+ B5 certified company which will load the next GMP+ load in the loading compartment. A feed company is not allowed to release its own means of transport in this way.
4. The above-mentioned loading inspector verifies on the basis of the logbook which previous loads have been transported and which cleaning and disinfecting operations have been performed. The loading compartment of the transport means is then assessed visually for any residues, especially in places which are hard to clean.
5. Issue by the loading inspector of an attestation (at the GMP+ certified loading address) from which it must appear whether the transport means / the loading compartment can be used again for the transport of feed.

#### An (own) loading inspector is:

a loading inspector is employed by a GMP+ certified participant (GMP+ B1, GMP+ B2 or GMP+ B3).

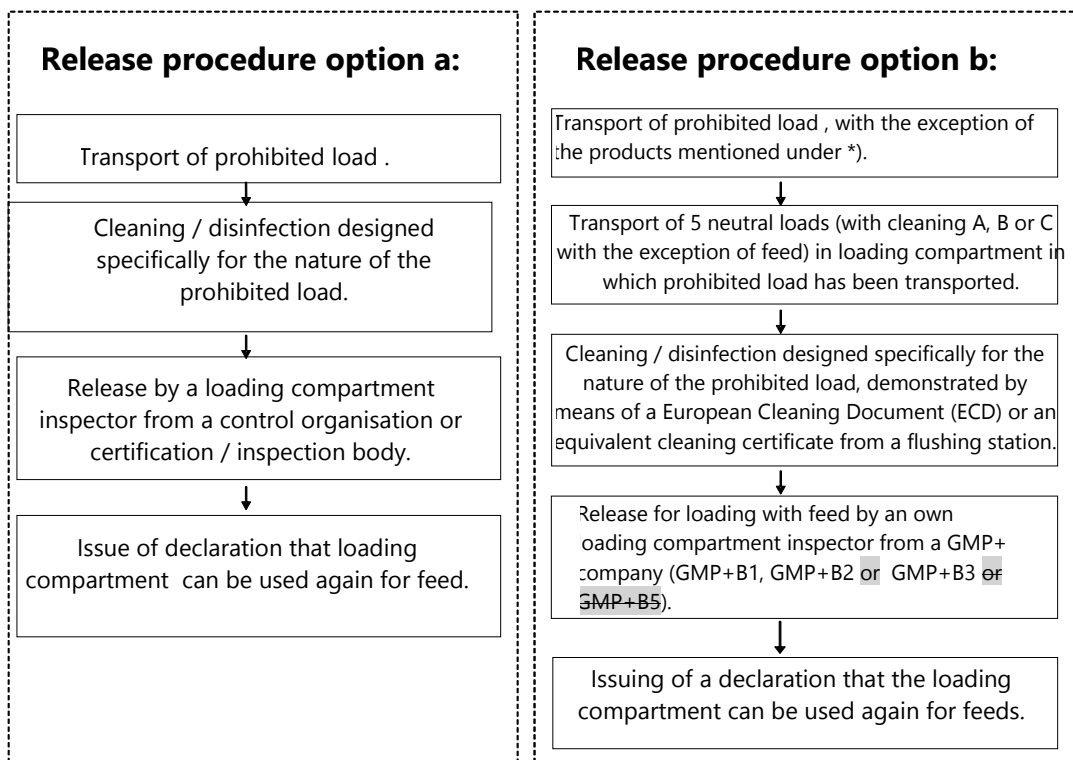
It is a position for which the details are specified in the quality system of the participant . This role is fulfilled by an employee who, on the basis of training and experience, has the knowledge and skills required for the inspection of a loading compartment for its suitability for the loading of feed ingredients.

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\*) **The following loads are excluded from release via the procedure described above:**

- a. Loads (products with) processed animal proteins. These loading compartments must be released cleaned in accordance with a documented procedure which has been given prior authorization by the competent authority, in accordance with the requirements from Regulation (EC) 999/2001.
- b. For the following forbidden loads the requirement applies that release is only allowed by a loading inspector from a checking body control organization or a certification / inspection body as described in item b1 Option A.
  1. Category 1, 2 and unprocessed category 3 material - Regulation (EC) Reg. (EC) 1069/2009 and Reg. (EC) 142/2011;
  2. Gas oil
  3. Lubricating oil
  4. Mineral clay that has been used for detoxification
  5. Radioactive material
  6. Domestic waste and all fractions derived from it
  7. Untreated food remains catering waste
  8. Sewage slurry

Schematically the release procedure is as follows:



## 2. Short sea shipping and inland waterways transport

These guidelines apply to inland waterway vessels and coasters which have transported a prohibited or unlisted load and then wish to transport food or feed.

There may be circumstances in which a carrier has transported a prohibited or unlisted load. The usual cleaning procedures (GMP+ B4.3, Work Plan 5) are not sufficient in this case for releasing the vessel and the loading compartments for the transport of foods and feeds.

If the last previous load appears on the list of 'forbidden previous loads' (see Annex 1) or is not listed at all, then the vessel is no longer suitable for the transportation of foods, feeds, compound feeds or premixtures.

A loading compartment can be released after prohibited loads in accordance with the following procedure:

1. Cleaning in accordance with the prohibited load shall be carried out using water (and a food grade cleaning agent) and disinfection with a food grade disinfection agent (if applicable) according to the nature of the prohibited load, according to a protocol previously developed by the company;
2. Assessment at the expense of the company of the loading area after the above cleaning and disinfection as specified in step 1 by a certified inspection company (ISO 17020 or equivalent). For definition see GMP+ B4.3, chapter 4.2 Prevention / Work Plan 2 – Loading Compartment Inspection (LCI).

The inspection company will use a cargo record book to find out which previous loads have been transported and which cleaning and disinfections have been carried out. The loading area of the means of transport is then visually checked for any residue, especially in places that are difficult to clean.

3. Issuing by the inspection company of a certificate that must indicate whether the loading area can be released for (further) transport of animal feed and foodstuffs.

*Note:*

Depending on the previous loads and the results of the visual inspection, then, at the discretion of the inspector from the inspection company, further hygiene measurements can be carried out using ATP measurements or agar stamps, at the carrier's expense. Another possibility is an analysis of the latest flushing water.

GMP+ B4.3, Annex 1 includes additional instructions on unlisted loads.