

# RURAL PAYMENTS AGENCY Lancaster House, Hampshire Court, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE4 7YH

Notice to Traders 09/14

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# IMPORT TARIFF QUOTA FOR CEREALS FROM UKRAINE

### Introduction

1. This notice is to tell you about an Import Tariff Quota which will be opened to import cereal products from Ukraine.

The Quota will be open until 31 October 2014.

The products and quantities available are detailed in Annex 1 attached.

## The application period

2. Licence applications must be lodged Monday to Friday each week. The application period will close at 12 noon each Friday.

The first date for applications will be Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2014; your application must be received by us by 12 noon.

The final date for applications will be Friday 17 October at 12 noon.

## **Proof of Trade**

3. You must provide evidence to show that you have been trading in cereals, during:

• the 12 month period immediately prior to the time of your application; and

You must supply the original import document (C88) form or a copy certified as a 'true copy' of the original stamped by Customs. We will not accept photocopies of the Customs stamp or scanned versions of these documents.

We do not require endorsed C88 documents for electronic licence attributions. Instead you need to provide:

- > a schedule detailing the licence number
- the date of import
- weight of attribution; and
- > the import entry number for each electronic attribution

To request endorsement of a declaration at the time of entry, you should enter the code 'CAP11' in box 44 of your declaration. You do not need to enter any additional text with this code.

You can contact the HMRC National Clearance Hub at nchcap@hmrc.gsi.gov.uk .

C88s which were not endorsed at the time of import should be sent for endorsement to:

Freepost RTGR-LSCG-LTJS HM Revenue & Customs GATT Copies National Clearance Hub Ralli Quays 3 Stanley Street SALFORD M60 9LA

Tel: 03000 579 577

You should only ask HMRC to endorse the number of copy entries necessary for the relevant regulation. If you send more than is necessary it may delay the return of endorsed copy entries.

You must indicate your VAT registration number on your application. If you are registered as part of a group you must provide a valid VAT certificate that lists each company within the group.

# Note: We will reject any applications (including supporting documents), securities or proof of trade received after 12 noon on 17 October 2014.

#### Licence applications

4. Your application cannot exceed the total quantity available for the quota.

You can only lodge 1 application per order number each week. However, your application may contain several products covered by different CN codes. If you chose to apply for a number of products, then all CN codes must be entered in box 16 and the appropriate descriptions in box 15.

If you breach this, all applications will be rejected and the securities you have lodged will become forfeit.

In box 8, the country of origin, you must indicate "Ukraine" and put a cross in the 'Yes' box. This means your licence is only valid to import cereals which originate in Ukraine.

#### Licence Security

5. Your application must be accompanied by30 €/Tonne

In box 11, you should state:

- the amount of security expressed in the same unit of currency that your guarantee is lodged;
- the type of security, for example 'block guarantee', 'cash' or 'single transaction guarantee'; and
- the trader number of the block guarantee holder if you are using another trader's block guarantee.

If you are using another trader's block guarantee you must ensure that your cross reference details are set up before you send us your application.

# Note: We will reject your application if the cross reference is not set up and you do not submit security in another format within the application period.

We will not accept any amendments to block guarantees after the application period has closed, including cross reference amendments.

#### **Licence Issue and Validity Period**

6. Licences will be issued on the fourth working day following the closing period for applications.

Licence validity periods are outlined in Annex 2 attached. However, this period will be limited to 31 October 2014.

Your licence will allow you to import at zero rate of import duty.

#### Transfer of rights

The rights of these licences cannot be transferred.

#### **Release of security**

You must return your paper licences within 45 days of the expiry date or you will forfeit your security.

#### Authority

7. You can find details of these changes in Commission Regulation (EC) No 416/2014 published in Official Journal L121.

You can find copies at Stationery Office bookshops and accredited agents, or you can order them from the Stationery Office website (www.tso.co.uk).

You can also access Official Journals electronically by visiting the Commission's website at (<u>http://eur-lex.europa.eu/en/index.htm</u>). The Rural Payments Agency cannot guarantee the accuracy of this website. Whilst every care has been taken in producing this guidance, the regulation as published is definitive.

#### Questions

8. If you have any questions concerning this notice please contact the import helpline on 0191 226 5050.

You can also email us at cerealimports@rpa.gsi.gov.uk