DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

Animal Health Act 1981

The Importation of Animals Order 1977 (Article 3 (2))

The Animals (Post-Import Control) Order 1995

The Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, by this licence issued under Article 3(2) of the Importation of Animals Order 1977, hereby authorises the landing in England, in accordance with the conditions set out below.

Cattle Aged 15 Days and Over

Originating in

Northern Ireland

At

Any Port or Airport in England

The England General Import Licence No: IMP/GEN/2010/13 is hereby revoked
This licence is valid for imports from the date of issue until varied or revoked by the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.

Date 3 February 2016 Signed: 
On behalf of the Secretary of State
Conditions
All landings of cattle shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Importation of Animals Order 1977, the requirements of the Welfare of Animals (Transport) (England) Order 2006, and the following provisions of this licence.

Identification
1. Each Animal must bear an identification in accordance with EC Regulation 1760/2000 issued by the competent authority in Northern Ireland.

Veterinary Health Certification
2. Each consignment of cattle must be accompanied by a health certificate signed by an authorised veterinary inspector of the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, Northern Ireland identifying the name and addresses of consignor and consignee, the addresses of the premises of origin and destination, giving the description, ear number, sex, date of birth and category of each animal to which it relates, stating that:

Animals for Breeding or Production
2.1 The cattle originate from herds which are Officially Brucellosis and Tuberculosis Free in accordance with Council Directive 64/432/EEC (as amended) and are not animals required to be slaughtered under a programme to control or eradicate an infectious or contagious disease;

2.2 During the 30 days immediately prior to export of cattle aged 42 days or more, have passed a comparative intradermal tuberculin test carried out in accordance with the provisions of Annex B of Directive 64/432/EEC (as amended);

2.4 The cattle were examined by the certifying veterinarian at the time of shipment to Great Britain and showed no evidence of infectious or contagious disease, including warble fly, and were fit to travel.

2.5 The veterinary inspector has received a declaration signed by the exporter stating that the cattle to be exported:
   a) Have been resident on the holding of origin for at least 30 days, or since birth, prior to transport;

   b) will be moved from the premises of origin to Great Britain in vehicles which, prior to the commencement of loading of the consignment, have been cleansed and disinfected thoroughly with an approved disinfectant; and

   c) after consignment from the premises of origin, will be kept separate from animals not similarly certified.

Animals for Slaughter
2.6 The cattle originate from herds which are Officially Brucellosis and Tuberculosis Free in accordance with Council Directive 64/432/EEC (as amended) and are not animals required to be slaughtered under a programme to control or eradicate an infectious or contagious disease.
2.7 The cattle were examined by the certifying veterinarian at the time of shipment to Great Britain and showed no evidence of infectious or contagious disease, including warble fly, and were fit to travel;

2.8 The Veterinary inspector has received a declaration signed by the exporter stating that the cattle to be exported:
   
   a) will be moved from the premises of origin to Great Britain in vehicles which prior to commencement of loading of the consignment, have been cleansed and disinfected thoroughly with an approved disinfectant; and
   
   b) after consignment from the premises of origin, will be kept separate at all times from animals not similarly certified.

Requirements for all Categories of Animal

3. Shipment must be direct from Northern Ireland to Great Britain. The importer shall give to the local Animal and Plant Health agency office (APHA) responsible for the area of destination, in writing, at least 24 hours advance notification of the expected time of arrival of each consignment.

4. In the event of the consignment being delayed or postponed, the APHA must be advised immediately.

5. Health certification must accompany each consignment to its final destination and be retained there for a minimum period of 12 months for presentation to an inspector on request.

6. The importer or other appropriate person in charge of cattle moved under this licence shall comply with any requirement by an officer authorised by the Secretary of State to detain and isolate the cattle for the purpose of carrying out identification, sampling and/or testing to determine the presence of the disease.

Post Import Conditions

Animals for Breeding or Production

7. Animals imported under this licence shall be subjected to a comparative tuberculin intradermal test between 60 and 120 days after arrival in Great Britain, which must be arranged and paid for by the owner, and carried out in accordance with the provisions of Annex B to Directive 64/432/EEC (as mended).

Animals for Slaughter

8. On arrival in Great Britain animals will be taken directly to a slaughterhouse and slaughtered within 24 hours of arrival.

9. The certificate should indicate that it is valid for 10 days from the date of issue

10. Contact for further information
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