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**DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS**

**EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES ACT 1972**

**THE TRADE IN ANIMALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS REGULATIONS 2011 (AS AMENDED)**

**THE ANIMAL BY-PRODUCTS (ENFORCEMENT) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2013**

**GENERAL IMPORT AUTHORISATION**

The Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, by this authorisation issued under the terms of Paragraph 15(5) of the Trade in Animals and Related Products Regulations 2011 (as amended) and in accordance with Article 41.3 of Regulation (EU) No 142/2011 (as amended), authorises subject to and in accordance with the conditions set out below, the landing in England of:

<p>Pearls in oyster shells (containing oyster flesh) which have been preserved in an alcohol and water solution and dispatched in sealed, ready to sell or use containers.</p> <p>NOTE: Only an alcohol and water solution can be used as a preservation method. The use of formaldehyde or any other preservation substance during any stage of the preservation process is prohibited.</p>	Product
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from

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any country</li> </ul>	Countries of origin
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at

Any approved product Border Inspection Post in England	Ports of entry
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until further notice or unless revoked by the Secretary of State.

Dated: 24<sup>th</sup> May 2018



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Officer of the Department for  
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs



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**Conditions attached to this authorisation**

1. Consignments may only be imported through an approved BIP. A list of BIPs is available on the European Commission's website. If the consignment does not meet the import requirements, the BIP may require that the consignment is re-exported or destroyed.
2. Only an alcohol and water solution can be used as a preservation method. The use of formaldehyde or any other preservation substance during any stage of the preservation process is prohibited.

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3. Consignments must be pre-notified in accordance with the Trade in Animals and Related Products Regulations 2011 to the relevant BIP, before arrival in the country, by completion of Part I of the Common Veterinary Entry Document (CVED), or by electronic means as agreed with the BIPs competent authority.

Further guidance on veterinary checks on animal products

Trade in Animals and Related Products Regulations 2011

4. Hauliers used in the transit of such materials must also be registered for animal by-products in accordance with Article 23 of Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009.

Registration, transport, handling and storage of ABPs

5. None of the material to which this authorisation relates shall be used for human or animal consumption under any circumstances.
6. Any products and records relating to the product imported under this authorisation shall be made available if so required for inspection by an Officer of the Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA) at any place nominated by him/her for such inspection. The importer or his agent shall afford all assistance necessary to such an officer to enable him/her to carry out the inspection in such a manner as he/she shall determine and the importer shall be responsible for meeting any costs of carrying out such an inspection.

**NOTES**

- a) The material must at all times be handled, stored, transported and used in accordance with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009 and Regulation (EU) No 142/2011. Further information is available from your local APHA office.
- b) If the material is to be re-exported, you should ensure that the importing country will permit entry and that you have the correct paperwork to accompany the consignment.



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- c) European legislation is available on the Commission website.
- d) This authorisation does not provide an exemption from any prohibition or restriction imposed by the Official Feed and Food Control (England) Regulations 2006, the provisions of the Food Safety Act 1990 and Regulations made under it, the Animal By-Products (Enforcement) Regulations 2013, the Marketing Authorisations for Veterinary Medicinal Products Regulations 1994, The Control of Substances Hazardous to health (2002) (COSHH), Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations (1999), Health and safety at Work Act (1974) or by any regulation superseding or amending the same.
- e) This authorisation is granted under animal health import legislation and gives no exemption from any prohibition, regulation or restriction imposed by any other Government Department or Agency.
- f) Please note that while this authorisation is current at the time of its issue, conditions can be subject to frequent change and importers are advised to check the latest position with the Centre for International Trade (see below).

**CAUTION**

It is the importer's responsibility to ensure that any import covered by this authorisation complies with the terms and conditions as set out.

Any breach of any conditions attached to this authorisation will constitute an offence against the Animal Health Act 1981.

**CONTACT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**

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