

General Licence No: IMP/GEN/2015/03

DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

Animal Health Act 1981

The Importation of Animals Order 1977

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

Pigs intended for slaughter	Product

Originating in

Isle of Man

Country of Origin

At

Any port or airport in England	Port of Entry

This licence is valid until varied or revoked by the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs. General Import Licence No. **IMP/GEN/2012/01** is hereby revoked.

Date: 17 July 2015

Signed:

Authorised by the Secretary of State



Conditions

All landings of pigs 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 (as amended), and the following provisions of this licence.

- 1. Each consignment of pigs must be accompanied by an official health certificate, signed by an authorised Official Veterinarian (OV) appointed by the Government of the Isle of Man, which includes the:
 - i) Name and addresses of the consignor and consignee;
 - ii) Name and address of the premises of origin (and if appropriate the approval number of the approved collection centre in the Isle of Man if this is the premises of origin);
 - iii) Name and address of the destination;
 - iv) Breed, age, and official identification number of each pig; and
 - v) Authorisation number of transporter, a description of the means of transport, and registration number of the vehicle in which the animals will be transported.
- 2. The health certificate referred to in paragraph 1 above, must confirm that:
 - i) The animals were inspected by the Official Veterinarian during the 24 hours prior to the scheduled departure of the animals from the Isle of Man and did not show clinical signs of infectious or contagious disease at that time;
 - ii) The premises of origin and, where applicable, the approved collection centre and the area in which they are situated, are not subject to any prohibitions or restrictions connected with any animal disease in conformity with Community or national legislation;
 - iii) The Official Veterinarian has received an exporter's declaration that all the pigs in question will be transported directly to the slaughterhouse of destination either from the farm of origin or from an approved Isle of Man collection centre except for the subsequent loading of animals of the same health status from premises that are not subject to any prohibitions or restrictions connected with any animal disease in conformity with Community or national legislation.
 - iv) If animals of the same health status are added, no unloading of the consignment will occur prior to arrival at the stated destination.

The 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.

- 3. After leaving the premises of origin, the pigs must be kept separate from animals of a lower/different health status or not similarly certified.
- 4. The shipment of animals must be direct from the Isle of Man to the slaughterhouse of destination.
- 5. The importer shall give the local Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA) office advance written notification of the expected time of arrival of each consignment, at least 24 hours before the expected time of arrival.
- 6. Vehicles being used to transport the animals must be cleansed and disinfected with approved disinfectant both prior to loading and as soon as possible after unloading and before carriage of other animals (unless the same consignment is reloaded after a stop for welfare purposes).

- 7. In the event of the consignment being delayed or postponed, APHA must be advised immediately.
- 8. Pigs from the Isle of Man that enter Great Britain via a port or airport in Scotland or Wales should be imported under the terms of a licence issued by the Scottish Government Rural Directorate or the Welsh Assembly Government Rural Affairs Department as appropriate.

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

9. Caution

- It is the importer's responsibility to ensure that any import covered by this licence complies with the terms and conditions as set out
- Any breach of any conditions attached to this licence will constitute an offence against the Animal Health Act 1981.

10. **Contact for further information:**

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