

## EXPORT OF LIONS FROM GREAT BRITAIN TO UGANDA

### NOTES FOR THE GUIDANCE OF THE OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN AND EXPORTER

#### IMPORTANT

These notes provide guidance to Official Veterinarians (OV) and exporters. The NFG should have been issued to you together with export certificate 6990EHC. The NFG should not be read as a standalone document but in conjunction with certificate 6990EHC. We strongly suggest that exporters obtain full details of the importing country's requirements from the veterinary authorities in the country concerned, or their representatives in the UK, in advance of each consignment.

#### 1. SCOPE OF THE CERTIFICATE

Export health certificate 6990EHC may be used for the export of lions from the United Kingdom to Uganda.

#### 2. IDENTIFICATION

Paragraph I refers. If the animals to be exported cannot be individually identified, e.g. by microchip or tattoo, then the transport container should be sealed with a uniquely numbered tamper-proof seal and the seal number entered at paragraph I.

#### 3. CERTIFICATION BY AN OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN (OV)

This certificate may be signed by an Official Veterinarian (OV) appointed by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra), Scottish Government, Welsh Government, who is an OV on the appropriate panel for export purposes or who holds the appropriate Official Controls Qualification (Veterinary)(OCQ(V)) authorisation. OVs should sign and stamp the health certificate with the OV stamp in any colour **OTHER THAN BLACK**.

A certified copy of the completed certificate must be sent to the issuing office, in GB - Animal and Plant Health Agency - Centre for International Trade (APHA -CIT) in Carlisle , within seven days of signing.

The OV should keep a copy for his/her own records.

#### 4. EXAMINATION

The examination at paragraph IV(a) should be carried out within 24 hours of loading.

#### 5. RABIES VACCINATION

Paragraph IV (c) refers. The animal should be vaccinated against rabies using a licensed vaccine. In the case of primary vaccination, vaccination should be carried out not less than 1 month and no more than 12 months prior to export. In the case of re-vaccination, this should be carried out according to the manufacturer's instructions and within 12 months prior to export.

#### 6. PARASITE TREATMENT

Paragraphs IV (g) and (h) refer. If there are no available products licensed specifically for use in lions, official veterinarians should demonstrate due care in administering medicinal products outwith the recommendations of the data sheet, and should seek the manufacturer's advice as appropriate. Official veterinarians are advised to obtain the written consent of the owner/exporter before administering products outwith the data sheet.

7. **CITES REQUIREMENTS**

This certificate does not provide exemption from other legislation laid down for the protection or conservation of certain wild species, e.g. the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (C.I.T.E.S). Information about the necessary requirements may be obtained from the Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs at the address given below:

Wildlife Licensing and Registration Service  
D.E.T.R., Temple Quay House,  
2 The Square, Bristol BS1 6EB

Tel: 0117 372 8168 Fax: 0117 372 8206

8. **WELFARE**

Welfare conditions during transport are laid down by Council Regulation (EC) 1/2005, implemented in England by The Welfare of Animals (Transport) (England) order 2006, and parallel legislation in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Exporters must comply with the UK welfare laws relating to the export of animals. If transported by air, animals should be transported in accordance with International Air Transport Association (IATA) standards.

Further information on OIE and IATA transport recommendations may be obtained from the following offices;

England, Scotland & Wales

Welfare in Transport Team at the APHA  
Centre for International Trade - at  
Carlisle, via the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/animal-and-plant-health-agency/about/access-and-opening>

9. **DISCLAIMER**

This certificate is provided on the basis of information available at the time and may not necessarily comply fully with the requirements of the importing country. It is the exporter's responsibility to check the certificate against any relevant import permit or any advice provided by the competent authority in the importing country. If these do not match, the exporter should contact the APHA Centre for International Trade, in Carlisle via the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/animal-and-plant-health-agency/about/access-and-opening#centre-for-international-trade-carlisle>