EXPORT TO TURKEY OF ANIMAL DERIVATIVES FOR IN-VITRO USE ONLY – 8107EHC

NOTES FOR THE GUIDANCE OF THE OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN AND EXPORTER

Associated Documents: 8107EHC

IMPORTANT
These notes provide guidance to Official Veterinarians (OVs) and exporters. The NFG should have been issued to you together with export certificate 8107EHC**. The NFG should not be read as a standalone document but in conjunction with certificate** 8107EHC**. 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

This certificate may be used for the export of animal-derived materials to Turkey for in-vitro use only.

Examples of animal-derived materials which could be covered by this certificate include antibodies, enzymes, proteins, peptides, amino acids and in-vitro kits containing these materials. However, the exporter is advised to confirm, via their Turkish contacts, whether the Turkish authorities require this certificate to be used for their particular product or if alternative certification or documentation is required.

2. Certification by an Official Veterinarian (OV)

This certificate may be signed by an OV appointed by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, the Scottish Government or the Welsh Government, who is on the appropriate panel for export purposes or who holds the appropriate Official Controls Qualification (Veterinary)(OCQ(V)) authorisation, or an Authorised Veterinary Inspector (AVI) appointed by, or an OV of, the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs in Northern Ireland (DAERA).

OVs/AVIs should sign and stamp the health certificate with the OV/AVI stamp in any colour **OTHER THAN BLACK**.

In GB a certified copy of the completed certificate must be sent to the Centre for International Trade, Carlisle within seven days of signing. In the case an AVI in Northern Ireland, a certified copy must be sent to DAERA, Dundonald House, Belfast.

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

3. Paragraph IV – Health information

Paragraph IV may be certified on the basis of the following specific guidance in conjunction with any necessary evidence resulting from the OV's familiarity with the sourcing, procurement, segregation, processing, handling and storage arrangements in place at the facility. This should be supported as necessary by physical inspection and examination of relevant documentation and/or records including commercial documentation, veterinary statements and valid declarations.

(a) **Paragraph IV(a) – Not for human or animal consumption**
This may be supported by references to publicly available marketing material and usage instructions relating to the products being certified.

(b) **Paragraph IV(b) – For in-vitro use only**
This may be supported by references to publicly available marketing material and usage instructions relating to the products being certified.

(c) **Paragraph IV(c) – Freely sold in the UK**
This may be supported by a suitably worded declaration from the manufacturer of the products.

(d) **Paragraph IV(d) – Processes and treatments**
This paragraph should be completed with the details of the significant physical or chemical processes applied during the manufacture of the products.

The purpose of this paragraph is to provide reassurances that the product has undergone a process which would mitigate the spread of infectious animal diseases.

It is therefore not necessary to list every step of the manufacturing process, only those which would kill, inactivate or remove pathogenic organisms. For example, this paragraph could be used to highlight the maximum temperature, major pH change, major pressure change, or the highest level of filtration applied at some point during the manufacturing process.

However, it is strongly recommended that the exporter or manufacturer of the consignment obtains confirmation, via their Turkish contacts, that the processes or treatments to be entered at this paragraph would be acceptable to the Turkish authorities for the given product.

4. If declarations are relied upon to support the completion of this certificate, these must be signed by someone who has knowledge of and responsibility for the relevant parts of the production process. The managing director (or equivalent) of the company should provide a letter giving the name(s) and job title(s) of those authorised to give the declaration and the basis on which the declaration is made.

The declaration should include a clause indicating that the signatory is aware that making a false declaration is an offence and that he/she accepts full responsibility if any problems arise with the export should there be any dispute relating to the matters being declared.

Where possible, supporting evidence for declarations should be called for and put on file.

5. **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 (CIT) – Exports in Carlisle, via the link below:

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

In Northern Ireland, contact the DAERA trade administration team:
e-mail- TradeAdminPost@daera-ni.gsi.gov.uk
Phone - 0289 0520989