

EXPORT OF REPTILES TO BARBADOS FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM

NOTES FOR THE GUIDANCE OF THE OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN (OV) AND EXPORTER

IMPORTANT

These notes provide guidance to Official Veterinarians (OVs) and exporters. The NFG should have been issued to you together with export certificate 8120EHC. The NFG should not be read as a standalone document but in conjunction with certificate 8120EHC. 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 reptiles from the United Kingdom to Barbados.

2. CERTIFICATION BY AN OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN (OV)

This certificate may be signed by an Official Veterinarian appointed by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra), Scottish Government, Welsh Government, or an Authorised Veterinary Inspector (AVI) appointed by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA), who is an Official Veterinarian (OV) on the appropriate panel for export purposes. OVs/AVIs should sign and stamp the health certificate with the OV/AVI 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, Customer Service Centre, Carlisle) within seven days of signing.

3. PARASITE TREATMENTS

Paragraphs IV(b) and (c) refer. OVs may decide to use products licensed for other use, exercising their clinical judgment on the 'cascade principle'. OVs should demonstrate due care in administering medicinal products outwith the recommendations of the data sheet, and should seek the manufacturer's advice as appropriate. OVs are advised to obtain the written consent of the owner/exporter before administering products outwith the data sheet.

4. SALMONELLA TESTING

Paragraph IV(d) refers. The test must be conducted within 14 days of export. Note that the sample must be submitted to a laboratory of the Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA), leaving sufficient time for the result to be obtained before the date of export.

5. C.I.T.E.S

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 at the following address:

Wildlife Licensing and Registration Service
APHA Customer Service Centre (Bristol),
Floor 3, Horizon House Floor, Deanery Road,
Bristol, BS1 5AH
Tel: 0117 372 3700
e-mail: wildlife.licencing@apha.gsi.gov.uk

6. TRANSPORT CONTAINERS

Paragraph IV(g) refers. The containers used to export the reptiles must be new and conform to I.A.T.A standards.

7. 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 British 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. Information about the necessary requirements may be obtained from the Animal Welfare Team at any of the offices mentioned below:

ENGLAND, Customer Service Centre, Animal and Plant Health
SCOTLAND Agency, Eden Bridge House, Lowther Street,
AND WALES Carlisle, CA3 8DX.
Tel: 01228 403600 / Fax 01228 591900 /
E-mail: CentralOps.carlisle@apha.gsi.gov.uk

NORTHERN Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural
IRELAND Affairs, Northern Ireland, Animal Welfare Section,
Dundonald House, Upper Newtownards Road, Belfast,
BT4 3SB. Tel: 028 9052 4580 / Fax 028 9052 5012

8. 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 Customer Service Centre, in Carlisle, via the link below.

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