

## EXPORT OF TAPIRS FROM UNITED KINGDOM TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

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

#### IMPORTANT

These notes provide guidance to Official Veterinarians (OVs) and exporters. The NFG should have been issued to you together with export certificate 8167EHC. The NFG should not be read as a standalone document but in conjunction with certificate 8167EHC. 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

Export health certificate 8167EHC must be used for the export of tapires from the United Kingdom to the People's Republic of China.

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

The OV/AVI should keep a copy for his/her own records. 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 AVI in the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs Northern Ireland (DAERA, who is an Official Veterinarian (OV) on the appropriate panel for export purposes and who holds the appropriate Official Controls Qualification (Veterinary)OCQ(V)) authorisation.

OVs should apply the OV stamp to the certificate in the normal manner. The health certificate must be signed and stamped with an OV stamp in any colour **OTHER THAN BLACK**.

A certified copy of the completed certificate must be sent to the issuing office (in GB, APHA, Centre for International Trade, Carlisle) and in the case of Northern Ireland to DAERA, Room 922 Dundonald House, Belfast, within seven days of signature.

#### 3. CLINICAL EXAMINATION

Paragraph IV(a) refers. The OV should carry out the clinical examination of the animals to be exported no more than 72 hours prior to export.

#### 4. PARASITE TREATMENT

Paragraph IV(d) refers. Ideally the OV must use products with a product authorisation for use in the United Kingdom. If there are no products authorised for the particular species, then the OV should follow the cascade principle in using other products. The owner should be advised that the use of any product outwith the data sheet can entail a risk of adverse reactions.

#### 5. OWNER'S DECLARATION

Paragraph IV(b) and (e) refer. The owner's declaration should be retained by the OV for record purposes. If the OV has any reason to doubt the validity of the declaration, Animal Health, Specialist Service Centre - Exports, Carlisle should be consulted.

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

**ENGLAND,**  
**SCOTLAND**  
**AND WALES**

APHA - Customer Service Centre,  
Eden Bridge House, Lowther St,  
Carlisle, CA3 8DX

Tel: 03000 200301  
Fax 01228 591900  
e-mail: [CentralOps.carlisle@apha.gov.uk](mailto:CentralOps.carlisle@apha.gov.uk)

**NORTHERN**  
**IRELAND**

Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural  
Affairs Northern Ireland, Animal Welfare Section  
Dundonald House, Upper Newtownards Road,  
Belfast, BT4 3SB

Tel: 028 9052 4580  
Fax 028 9052 5012

7. **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#centre-for-international-trade>

In Northern Ireland the exporter should contact DAERA at: DAERA, Dundonald House, Upper Newtownards Road, Belfast. BT4 3SB.  
Telephone: 0289 052 4580.