

NOTES FOR THE GUIDANCE OF THE OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN AND EXPORTER

In relation to 8571EHC titled:  
EXPORT TO CHILE OF BEVERAGES CONTAINING POULTRY-DERIVED HYDROLYSATE FOR  
FEEDING TO PET ANIMALS  
Associated Documents: 8571EHC

**IMPORTANT**

These notes provide guidance to Official Veterinarians (OV) and exporters. The NFG should not be read as a standalone document but always in conjunction with certificate 8571EHC. 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**

This certificate may **ONLY** be used for the export to Chile of pet beverages or liquified pet foods containing poultry-derived hydrolysed protein.

Exporters and certifying Official Veterinarians are reminded that in the UK, hydrolysed protein is specifically excluded from the definition of processed animal protein.

However, the Chilean authorities have not elaborated on what they consider to be hydrolysed protein.

The exporter is therefore responsible for obtaining verification from Chilean authorities confirming that their specific product may be imported into Chile the basis of this certificate.

2. **Certification by an Official Veterinarian (OV)**

This certificate may be signed by an Official Veterinarian authorised on behalf of 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 Northern Ireland (DAERA), who holds the appropriate Official Controls Qualification (Veterinary) (OCQ(V)) authorisation, or 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 Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA), Specialist Service Centre for International Trade, Carlisle, or to DAERA, within seven days of issue.

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

3. **FORMAT OF THE CERTIFICATE**

The format and paragraph numbering of this certificate is based on the model 'Veterinary Certificate to EU' for products of animal origin as published in **Commission Decision 2007/240/EC** (as amended).

As a result, some of the text may not directly apply to exports from the UK and some paragraphs may appear out of sequence whilst others may be intentionally left blank.

Annex I of this Decision includes **Explanatory Notes** which offer general guidance on how veterinary certificates based on these models may be completed, particularly with respect to Part I of the certificate.

These and other pieces of EU legislation are published in the Official Journal of the European Union and can be accessed via the online search feature available at:

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/homepage.html>

More specific guidance on completing this certificate has been provided in these notes.

4. **COMPLETION OF PART I - DETAILS OF DESPATCHED CONSIGNMENT**

**I.3 - Central Competent Authority**

This should be completed with "Defra".

**I.4 - Local Competent Authority**

This should be completed with "Animal and Plant Health Agency" or "APHA" for exports from Great Britain. Where the exporting establishment is located in Northern Ireland, "Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs" or "DAERA" should be entered.

**I.6** - intentionally struck through.

**I.7 and I.9 - Country ISO Codes**

ISO 3166 is the commonly accepted International Standard for country codes.

The ISO Code for the whole of the **United Kingdom** is "GB" and this should be entered at **Box I.7**.

The ISO Code for **Chile** is "CL" and should be entered at **Box I.9**.

**I.8 - Region of Origin**

This paragraph may usually be struck through.

However, if the UK and the product fall within the scope of emergency disease control legislation laid down by the importing authorities then this paragraph should be completed with the appropriate region names and ISO codes if these are specified under such emergency legislation. In these cases, Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA) Centre for International Trade (CIT) in Carlisle or DAERA in Northern Ireland should be consulted for further specific guidance.

**I.10** - intentionally struck through.

**I.11 - Approval/Registration Number**

This relates to the **manufacturing establishment** responsible for processing poultry by-products into the hydrolysed protein present in the consignment.

The approval number may be confirmed on sight of a valid approval or registration document (see below) or by reference to the responsible local APHA or DAERA office.

Establishments handling unprocessed animal by-products or

manufacturing products derived from unprocessed animal by-products must be approved in accordance with Regulation (EC) 1069/2009 (as amended). In England, this is enforced by the Animal By-Products (Enforcement) (England) Regulations 2013 (as amended). Similar legislation exists in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Certifying Official Veterinarians are advised that, in accordance with Articles 54 and 55 of Regulation (EC) 1069/2009 (as amended), references to Regulation (EC) 1774/2002 (as amended) shall be construed as references to Regulation (EC) 1069/2009 (as amended) and that establishments, plants and users approved or registered in accordance with regulation (EC) 1774/2002 (as amended) before 4 March 2011 shall be deemed to be approved or registered, as required, in accordance with regulation (EC) 1069/2009.

**I.12** - intentionally struck through.

**I.13 - Place of loading**

The place of loading or the port of embarkation must be entered.

**I.14 - Date of departure**

The date of departure must be entered.

**I.15 - Means of transport**

The means of transport i.e. aeroplane, ship, railway wagon, road vehicle must be indicated. The option 'Other' is not applicable to the movement of products and should not be selected. The flight number, name of the vessel, the train number and rail car or the number plate of the road vehicle should be entered as the means of identification as appropriate.

If the means of transport changes after the certificate has been signed, the consignor must inform the officials at the intended point of entry.

Optionally, the number of the airway bill, bill of lading, or the commercial number of the train or road vehicle may be entered as the documentary reference.

**I.16 - Entry point**

The exporter must advise the OV of the point of entry into the destination country and this must be entered.

**I.17** - intentionally struck through.

**I.18 - Description of commodity**

A veterinary description of the goods or a description based on the applicable HS Code (see below) must be entered.

**I.19 - HS Code**

The Harmonised System (HS) Code is a commodity classification system used as a basis for customs tariffs and for international trade statistics. The appropriate HS Code should be entered in **Box I.19**. Further information on HS Codes can be found online at:

**<https://www.gov.uk/trade-tariff/sections>**

and

**<http://madb.europa.eu/madb/euTariffs.htm>**

The OV should confirm with the exporter that the HS Code used correctly describes the products being consigned.

**I.20 - Quantity of Product**

Insert the total gross and net weights in Kg.

**I.21 - Temperature of product**

Indicate whether the transport/storage temperature is ambient, chilled or frozen.

**I.22 - Number of packages**

Insert the number of packages in the consignment.

**I.23 - Seal/container no.**

The seal or container number of consignment may be entered here.

**I.24 - Type of packaging**

Enter the type of packaging in the space provided.

**I.25 - Commodities certified for**

Indicate the intended use of the product, taking into account any guidance which may be offered in the footnote of the certificate.

**I.26** - intentionally struck through.

**I.27 - For import or admission**

The box should be ticked to confirm that this is an import or admission as opposed to transshipment.

**I.28 - Identification of the commodities**

The species referred to in the 1<sup>st</sup> column of **Box I.28** refers to the species from which the products were derived.

If the consignment consists of several different types of products then it may be necessary to use a separate schedule to identify the full consignment. The schedule must, as a minimum, contain the same information as that required in **Box I.28** of the certificate and this box must be annotated "See Attached Schedule".

Each page of the schedule must bear a page number and the health certificate reference number and be signed, dated and stamped by the Official Veterinarian.

The schedule must be stapled inside the health certificate and the Official Veterinarian should "fan" and stamp over the pages of the schedule and certificate. The top stapled corner of the schedule and certificate should be folded over and stamped also.

Any blank spaces in the schedule or in **Box I.28** should be deleted with diagonal lines.

Further to **I.11** above, OVs should enter the relevant approval/registration number of the manufacturing plant in addition to the other required information.

**5. PART II - CERTIFICATION**

The health information may be certified on the basis of the following specific guidance in conjunction with the RCVS Principles of Certification. OVs should develop due familiarity with the sourcing, procurement, segregation, processing, handling and storage

arrangements in place at the establishment. This should be supported as necessary by physical inspection and by examination of relevant documentation or other records including commercial documentation, veterinary statements, laboratory analysis and valid declarations.

### **II.1 - SAG approval**

SAG is the competent authority responsible for import of products of animal origin into Chile. All manufacturers wishing to use this certificate for the export of hydrolysed poultry protein to Chile must register their product with SAG.

SAG publishes lists of products they have authorised for animal consumption on their website at:

<https://www.sag.gob.cl/ambitos-de-accion/listas-de-alimentos-importados-para-animales-autorizados-por-monografia-de-proceso-o-por-habilitacion-directa>

This paragraph may be supported on sight of a document from SAG confirming that the product being exported has been authorised, or by reference to the lists published on SAG's website above.

### **II.2. - Microbiological standards**

This refers to testing of batches of the end product being certified to ensure compliance with the stated standards.

This may be supported, as necessary, by satisfactory laboratory test results or veterinary import certification or appropriate statements from the manufacturing establishment.

### **II.3 Containers**

This paragraph can be certified on sight of the finished products prior to loading for embarkation. The exporter is responsible for ensuring that their labels reflect the contents and satisfy any specific labelling requirements of the importing country.

## **6. SUPPORTING DECLARATIONS**

Where 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 and/or declared intended use. 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 should be called for and put on file.

## **7. DISCLAIMER**

This certificate and these notes are 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) - Carlisle, via the link below:

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

In Northern Ireland, please contact the DAERA trade administration team:

- e-mail - [tradeadminpost@daera-ni.gov.uk](mailto:tradeadminpost@daera-ni.gov.uk)
- Phone - 02877442146