VETERINARY HEALTH CERTIFICATE FOR NON-RUMINANT RENDERED PRODUCTS FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM TO CANADA

NOTES FOR THE GUIDANCE OF THE OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN AND EXPORTER

Associated Documents: 8570EHC

IMPORTANT

These notes provide guidance to Official Veterinarians (OV) and exporters. The NFG should have been issued to you together with 8570EHC. The NFG should not be read as a standalone document but in conjunction with the relevant certificate. 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

 $8570 {\rm EHC}$ <u>MUST</u> be used for the export of all non-ruminant rendered products from the United Kingdom and intended for consignment to Canada, such as those that fall within the Commodity Codes as listed at FOOTNOTE I.25 of $8570 {\rm EHC}$.

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.

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.

 $\mbox{OVs/AVIs}$ should sign and stamp the health certificate with the $\mbox{OV/AVI}$ stamp in any colour \mbox{OTHER} THAN BLACK.

3. COMPLETION OF PART I - DETAILS OF DESPATCHED CONSIGNMENT

- I.1 details of the exporter should be entered here.
- I.2 the certificate reference number should be entered here.
- I.2a intentionally struck through.

I.3 - Central Competent Authority

This should be completed with "Defra".

I.4 - Local Competent Authority

For exporting establishments located in Great Britain (England, Scotland and Wales) the certifying OV should enter the name of the local APHA office responsible for the exporting establishment or for issuing the certificate. For exporting establishments located in Northern Ireland, "DAERA" should be entered.

I.5 - Consignee

Details of the recipient should be entered here

I.6 - Enter the corresponding import permit number.

I.7 and I.9 - Country ISO Codes

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

The 2-letter ISO Code for the whole of the **United Kingdom** is "**GB**" and this should be entered at **Box I.7**.

The 2-letter ISO Code for Canada is "CA" and should be entered at Box I.9.

I.8 - Regions of Origin and Destination

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, the APHA Specialist Service Centre for International Trade, Carlisle, or DAERA in Northern Ireland should be consulted for further specific guidance.

I.10 - intentionally struck through

I.11 - Place of Origin

The details of the approved establishment where the product was manufactured should be entered here.

The establishment manufacturing rendered products must be approved in accordance with the Animal By-Products (Enforcement) (England) Regulations 2013 (as amended) or with parallel legislation in force in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

These statutory instruments currently enforce and implement the principles and controls laid down under Regulation (EC) 1069/2009 (as amended)..

The approval number may be confirmed on sight of a valid approval document or by reference to the responsible local APHA office. OVs should enter the relevant approval or registration number in addition to the address of the premises of origin.

<u>I.12</u> - intentionally struck through.

I.13 - Place of loading

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

I.14 - Date and Time of departure

The date and time 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 loading, or the commercial number of the train or road vehicle may be entered as the documentary reference.

I.16 - Entry Point in Canada

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

I.17 - intentionally struck through

I.18 - Seal/Container Number

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

I.19 - Total gross and Net Weight

Insert the total gross and net weights in Kg.

I.20 - Number of packages

Insert the number of packages in the consignment.

I.21 - Temperature of product

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

I.22 - Commodities Certified for

State intended end use of product.

I.23 - Intentionally Struck Through

I.24 - For Export

The box should be ticked to confirm that this is an export or admission into Canada as opposed to transhipment.

I.25 - Identification of the commodities

Enter the HS code and title here, along with the processing plant name and approval number, a concise product description (avoiding brand names), the species of animal from which the product is derived, and the date of production.

The Harmonised System (HS) Code is a commodity classification system used as a basis for customs tariffs and for international trade statistics.

The notes at the end of the certificate include a list of HS Codes which may be used to complete Box I.19 (commodities under the following headings HS: 0511, 3002, 3502, 2301)

The OV may wish to consult the Defra Search Tool to identify the relevant commodities: https://www.trade-tariff.service.gov.uk/sections

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

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.25** 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 ${\tt Box}$ I.25 should be deleted with diagonal lines.

4. Completion of Part II Health Information

The health information may be certified on the basis of the following specific guidance in conjunction with the RCVS Principles of Certification and the OV's knowledge of any referenced legislation. 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.

- $\overline{\text{II.1} \text{II.3}}$ the OV should certify these clauses based on their knowledge of the production plant and/or on sight of relevant supporting documentation. Note that this clause applies only to products derived from terrestrial animals, and not from aquatic animals.
- <u>II.4</u> this paragraph may be certified on the basis of a declaration by the producer, the familiarity of the OV with the procurement procedures of the establishment and any other evidence that he/she considers necessary.
- <u>II.5 II.7 the OV should certify these clauses based on their knowledge of the production plant and/or on sight of relevant supporting documentation.</u>
- $\overline{\text{II.8}}$ this paragraph can be certified on sight of the satisfactory results of PCR analysis following the methods set out in point 2.2 of Annex VI to Regulation (EC) No 152/2009 in order to verify the absence of constituents of ruminant origin.
- $\underline{\text{II.9}}\text{-}$ this paragraph may be certified on the basis that the bags used are suitably sealed and constructed so as to prevent the loss of their contents during normal handling.
- $\underline{\text{II.10}-\text{II.11}}$ the OV should certify these clauses based on their knowledge of the production plant, the products to be exported and/or on sight of relevant supporting documentation.

5. 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-healthagency/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
- Phone 02877442146