

EXPORT OF PRIMATES TO PORTUGAL

NOTES FOR GUIDANCE (NFG) FOR OFFICIAL VETERINARIANS AND EXPORTERS

This document should not be read as a standalone document but in conjunction with 9003EHC.

1. SCOPE OF THE CERTIFICATE

This certificate may be used for the export of primates to Portugal where the certification takes place in Wales, Scotland or England, i.e. Great Britain only.

Completion of the EHC form

Box I.25 - add name of approved destination

If you require information on how to complete boxes in part I, please look at the link below. Numbers may not correspond with the model, however the name and content will.

[EUR-Lex - 32020R2235 - EN - EUR-Lex \(europa.eu\)](#)

2. CERTIFICATION

The basic principles of certification apply and although this is not an EU level harmonised EU entry certificate, the general requirements that the EU specifies for its harmonised certificates should be followed.

Please note that this certificate is taken from an English translation provided by Portugal and the English text is therefore constrained by that model certificate.

EXPORTING COUNTRY: Although the certificate has been prepopulated with UNITED KINGDOM, this certificate should and can only be issued for animals that are certified in England, Scotland and Wales (i.e. Great Britain).

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 a colour that must be different to the colour of the printing of the certificate

Instructions on certified copies, retention and returning of the same can be found in APHA Vet Gateway, please make sure you follow the latest government guidance.

[OV Instructions \(defra.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/guidance/ov-avi-certificate-instructions)

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

Health Certificate

The phrase 'to my official knowledge' is a translation of Portugal's required text. It means that you, as an authorised veterinarian acting on behalf of the Competent Authority of the devolved Administration or Defra, should know and confirm that the establishment was or is not under official animal health restrictions at the time of either collection or despatch of the animals. You do **not** need to obtain a statement in writing from the Centre for International Trade, APHA, Carlisle but it is suggested to obtain confirmation APHA.

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-healthagency/about/access-and-opening#specialist-service-centres-ssc>