

EXPORT OF FRESH / FROZEN / PROCESSED SALMONIDS FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION TO NEW ZEALAND - ANNEX A ASSIGNED NUMBER (AN) 9.1, 9.2, 9.4

NOTES FOR GUIDANCE OF THE OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN AND EXPORTER

IMPORTANT

These notes provide guidance to Official Veterinarians (OV) and exporters. The NFG should have been issued to you together with export certificate 7743EHC. The NFG should not be read as a standalone document but in conjunction with certificate 7743EHC. 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

Export health certificate 7743EHC may be used for the export of fresh, frozen and processed Salmonids for human consumption to New Zealand.

Salmonids - For the purpose of this health standard, salmonids mean fish in the genera *Oncorhynchus*, *Salmo* and *Salvelinus*.

2. CERTIFICATION BY AN OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN (OV)

This certificate may be signed by an OV appointed by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, the Scottish Government or the Welsh Government, who is on the appropriate panel for export purposes or who holds the appropriate Official Controls Qualification (Veterinary) (OCQ(V)) authorisation, or an Official Veterinarian of the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs in Northern Ireland (DAERA).

OVs should sign and stamp the health certificate with the OV stamp in any colour **OTHER THAN BLACK**.

In GB, a certified copy of the completed certificate must be sent to the Centre for International Trade, Carlisle within seven days of signing.

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

3. Paragraph II.c should be certified where the product has been derived/partly derived from product which was imported into the UK. Otherwise this section should be deleted.

c)ii. can be certified on the basis of the establishment being approved by the UK competent authority and being listed to export material to the EU.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/businesses-approved-to-export-to-the-eu>

4. Paragraph IV. can be signed on the basis of compliance with UK requirements which have been deemed equivalent to New Zealand standards. If necessary, the certifying OV must liaise with the Local Environmental Health Officer. The products can therefore be exported on the basis of compliance with EU Regulations (EC) No 852/2004, No 853/2004 and 854/2004 as retained in UK law.

5. Paragraph (V) can be certified by the OV if the following applies:

For UK origin products - including those prepared containing EU products
- directly exported to NZ;

- I. The UK has not imposed any sanitary measures expressly to manage known animal health/food safety risks or hazards which would restrict the products sale or distribution within the UK.
- II. The products were derived from animals and farms that are not subject to animal disease control measures being applied by the UK competent authority. Animal disease in this context means an exotic disease or a disease listed in Annex III of the UK/NZ Vet Agreement.
- III. For EU product the EU has not applied any sanitary measures which would prohibit the sale or distribution of the product within the EU. Sanitary measures in this context means a Commission Decision (or other legal instrument) authored/instigated by SANTE to expressly manage known animal health/food safety risks or hazards.

This clause includes EU exports to the UK that are subsequently re-exported - directly or after processing and/or mixing within UK origin product - to New Zealand. This clause can be signed by the OV if it meets the above requirements based on the OV's knowledge of the exporting business and documentary checks.

6. **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 Centre for International Trade - Carlisle, via the link below:

<http://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/animal-and-plant-health-agency/about/access-and-opening>