



DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS  
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENT AND RURAL AFFAIRS - NORTHERN IRELAND

Export Health Certificate No: .....

Import Permit No:

TEMPORARY EXPORT OF HORSES TO HONG KONG - PART A

HEALTH CERTIFICATE

EXPORTING COUNTRY: UNITED KINGDOM

FOR COMPLETION BY: OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN

I) IDENTIFICATION

Name	Colour	Sex	Age	Breed	Microchip number and/or tattoo	Passport Number	Issuing/Validating Authority

An identification silhouette or a valid identification document is available and arrangements have been made for such a document to accompany this horse.

II) ORIGIN, TRANSPORT AND DESTINATION

(a) Exporting country<sup>(2)</sup>: UNITED KINGDOM

Competent Authority<sup>(3)</sup>:DEFRA

(b) Name and address of consignor<sup>(4)</sup>:

(c) Address of premises where the horse was examined:

(d) By AIR/RAIL/ROAD/SEA\*:

Indicate flight number, registration marks or registered name as appropriate

(e) Name and address of consignee:

III) MOVEMENT INFORMATION

I, \_\_\_\_\_, an Official Veterinarian authorised by the competent veterinary authority<sup>(3)</sup> of the United Kingdom to certify horses for export, hereby declare that:

(a) The horse's Permanent/Usual Residency<sup>(5)</sup> is in the following country:

(b) This horse has been resident as listed below for the last 60 days since leaving the country where it has Permanent/Usual Residency<sup>(5)</sup> according to the following sequence\*:

- |      |          |             |            |
|------|----------|-------------|------------|
| i.   | Country: | Entry date: | Exit date: |
| ii.  | Country: | Entry date: | Exit date: |
| iii. | Country: | Entry date: | Exit date: |
| iv.  | Country: | Entry date: | Exit date: |
| v.   | Country: | Entry date: | Exit date: |

(c) All of the country/countries listed in SECTION III(a) & (b) are included in the list of Scheduled Countries<sup>(2)</sup>.

(d) I have read, certified as seen all certification (original certificates or certified copies<sup>(6)</sup>) issued for this horse on being exported from its country of permanent/usual residency and/or from the countries listed in SECTION III(b).

**IV) ISOLATION INFORMATION IN THE COUNTRY/COUNTRIES WHERE THE HORSE HAS HAD TEMPORARY RESIDENCY<sup>(7)</sup>**

(a) Based on the certification provided, during the entire period of stay in the country/countries listed in SECTION III(b) above, the horse has been held in officially approved isolation premises other than during transport between the ports of import and export and the isolation premises, and during training and racing under official supervision.

(b) i. Address(es) of the isolation premises in the country/countries of temporary residency (list the premises for each country in SECTION III(b) above):

If the exporting country cannot be certified as being free of equine encephalomyelitis (all types) and screw worm, whilst the horse is temporarily resident there, then the horse must be held in mosquito and fly (vector) protected stables and treated with an effective vector repellent/insecticide on each occasion that it leaves the vector protected stables.

ii. The premises were emptied, thoroughly cleansed and disinfected prior to the entry of the horse.

iii. The horse has only come into contact with horses of the exact same tested and certified health status. Contact with other horses is only permitted at the time of racing/competition.

**V) HEALTH INFORMATION**

(a) I have examined the horse identified in this certificate within 24 hours prior to export and found it to be free from clinical signs of infectious or contagious disease, free from external parasites and fit to travel.

(b) The horse has not been mated, either naturally or by artificial insemination, or been resident on horse breeding premises, during the past 60 days.

(c) The United Kingdom is either African Horse Sickness (AHS) free for the last two years and no vaccination against AHS has been practised for the last 12 months, or it has an officially recognised AHS Free Zone<sup>(8)</sup> from which the horse is exported. AHS is a notifiable disease in the United Kingdom. The horse has not been on any premises where AHS has occurred in the past 60 days and the horse has not been infected with AHS in the past 60 days.

(d) The United Kingdom has been free from Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis and glanders for the last two years and the horse has not been vaccinated against Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis in the past 60 days.

(e) **EITHER**

\*during the 60 days immediately preceding export **FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM**

**OR**

\*IF RESIDENT OUTSIDE THE UK DURING PART OF THE 60 DAY PERIOD, DURING THE ENTIRE 60 DAY PERIOD OF RESIDENCY **IN COUNTRY/COUNTRIES WHERE THE HORSE HAS HAD TEMPORARY RESIDENCY:**

the horse was continuously resident on holdings which did not have any cases of the diseases listed below and did not suffer from any of these diseases.

Anthrax**	Equine influenza	Scabies
Contagious equine metritis**	Equine piroplasmosis	St. Louis encephalitis
Dourine**	Equine viral arteritis	Strangles (Streptococcus equi)
Eastern equine encephalomyelitis**	Glanders**	Surra
Epizootic lymphangitis	Hendra virus infection	Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis**
Equine ehrlichiosis	Horse mange	Vesicular stomatitis**
Equine encephalosis	Horse pox	Western equine encephalomyelitis**
Equine herpes virus (abortigenic and neurotropic) infection	Japanese encephalitis	
Equine infectious anaemia**	Nipah virus infection	

The diseases with a double asterisk (\*\*) listed above are compulsorily notifiable in the United Kingdom.

**VI) TESTING AND VACCINATION INFORMATION** <sup>(9&10)</sup>

- (a) Based on the certification and laboratory results provided:
- i. Blood samples have been taken from the horse within 14 days of export to Hong Kong.
  - ii. The following tests were performed with **negative** results (unless otherwise stated) in each case <sup>(10)</sup>.
- (b) No vaccines have been administered to the horse within 14 days of export to Hong Kong.
- (c) The original or certified copies of all health certificates, laboratory tests and vaccination certificates (if vaccinations are recorded in the horse's passport a certified copy of the relevant pages of the passport is **still required**) from all countries listed in SECTION III(a) & SECTION III(b) have been endorsed and have **been attached** to this certificate<sup>(6)</sup>.
- (d) All sections below have been completed by inserting a tick ✓ in the appropriate box.

i.	<b>African horse sickness</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> The horse has not, during the last 60 days, been in any country in which African horse sickness (AHS) has been reported in the last 2 years and in which vaccination against AHS has been practiced in the last 12 months. OR <input type="checkbox"/> The horse originates from an official AHS free zone <sup>(8)</sup> of a country, and an enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) test has been carried out on two samples of blood taken with an interval of between 21 and 30 days on _____ <sup>(11)</sup> and _____ <sup>(11)</sup> , the second of which must be taken within 14 days of export either with negative result if it has not been vaccinated or with no increase in antibody titre if it has been vaccinated.
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ii.	<b>Dourine</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> The horse has not, during the last 60 days, been in any country where dourine has been reported the last 12 months. OR <input type="checkbox"/> The complement fixation test (CFT) on _____ <sup>(9)</sup> .
iii.	<b>Equine influenza vaccination</b>	<p><b>During the 90 days immediately prior to export from the country where the horse has permanent or usual residency, it was administered:</b></p> <input type="checkbox"/> A primary course of approved vaccinations against equine influenza comprising of at least 2 doses with an interval of 4 to 6 weeks or according to the terms of vaccine registration with the relevant government authority. OR <input type="checkbox"/> A booster vaccination against equine influenza which was given within 12 months of a primary course, or within 12 months of a booster vaccination where it, and any other previous booster vaccinations, had been administered annually within a regular 12-month period since the primary course (which consisted of at least 2 doses with an interval of 4 to 6 weeks or according to the terms of vaccine registration with the relevant government authority).
iv.	<b>Equine influenza testing</b>	<p>A nasopharyngeal swab was collected from the horse within 48 hours prior to departure and was subjected to one of the following tests:</p> <input type="checkbox"/> A polymerase chain reaction test for influenza A on _____ <sup>(11)</sup> . OR <input type="checkbox"/> The Directigen Flu A or Flu A+B test kit manufactured by Becton, Dickinson and Company USA (BD) on _____ <sup>(11)</sup> . OR <input type="checkbox"/> The ESPLINE Influenza A and B-N kit manufactured by Fujirebio Inc. on _____ <sup>(11)</sup> . OR <input type="checkbox"/> Another test as approved by AFCD (BD Veritor Flu A+B test) on _____ <sup>(11)</sup> .
v.	<b>Equine infectious anaemia</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> The immunodiffusion (Coggins) test on _____ <sup>(11)</sup> .
vi.	<b>Equine piroplasmiasis</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> The indirect fluorescent antibody test (IFAT) for Theileria equi and Babesia caballi on _____ <sup>(11)</sup> . OR <input type="checkbox"/> The horse is piroplasmiasis positive to either T. equi and/or B. caballi and prior written approval for importation has been obtained from the Hong Kong Government and the approval documentation is attached.
vii.	<b>Hendra virus</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> No case of Hendra virus infection has been reported in the United Kingdom in the last 2 years. OR <input type="checkbox"/> An ELISA test on _____ <sup>(11)</sup> . If the ELISA test was positive then the horse was tested for Hendra virus with the VNT on _____ <sup>(11)</sup> . OR <input type="checkbox"/> Approved and up-to-date vaccination against Hendra virus <sup>(12)</sup> .
viii.	<b>Nipah virus</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> No case of Nipah virus infection has been reported in the United Kingdom in the last 2 years. OR <input type="checkbox"/> An ELISA test on _____ <sup>(11)</sup> . If the ELISA test was positive then the horse was tested for Nipah virus with the VNT on _____ <sup>(11)</sup> .
ix.	<b>Rabies</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> The horse has not, during the last 60 days, been in any country where rabies has been reported the last 2 years. OR <input type="checkbox"/> During the 60 days prior to export, the horse has not been exposed to rabies nor been on any premises with a case of rabies. The horse has either not been vaccinated against rabies or was vaccinated against rabies using an approved vaccine not less than 30 days and not more than 12 months prior to export.

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VI) TESTING AND VACCINATION <sup>(9&10)</sup> CONTINUED

x.	<b>Vesicular stomatitis</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> The horse has not, during the last 60 days, been in any country where vesicular stomatitis has been reported the last 2 years. OR <input type="checkbox"/> During the 60 days prior to export the horse has only been present on premises further than 50 kilometres from a reported case of vesicular stomatitis in the last 12 months. The horse was tested for vesicular stomatitis with the virus neutralisation test (VNT) or an antigen ELISA on _____ <sup>(11)</sup> .
xi.	<b>Western and Eastern equine encephalomyelitis</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> The horse has not, during the last 60 days, been in any country where western and eastern equine encephalomyelitis has been reported the last 2 years. OR <input type="checkbox"/> The horse was vaccinated against Western and Eastern equine encephalomyelitis with inactivated vaccine on _____ within 6 months to 30 days prior to export. OR <input type="checkbox"/> The horse was kept in AFCD approved vector proof facilities for 21 days prior to export.
xii.	<b>Surra</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> The horse has not, during the last 60 days, been in any country where surra has been reported the last 2 years. OR <input type="checkbox"/> The horse has been kept in vector protected facilities for 21 days prior to export and treated with an effective vector repellent/insecticide each time it left the facilities. A blood sample has been taken 7 days after the start of isolation on the _____ and tested using an antibody-detection ELISA and microhaematocrit centrifugation technique for surra.
xiii	<b>Japanese encephalitis</b>	As Japanese encephalitis is endemic in Hong Kong, importers have been advised to vaccinate their horses prior to import.

(f) **Pregnancy:** The horse is not pregnant.

(g) **External parasite examination and treatment:**

- i. The horse was thoroughly examined for the presence of external parasites by either an Official Veterinarian or a designated veterinarian within 24 hours prior to export. A systematic approach was undertaken with close examination of ears, false nostrils, under body areas (axilla, inguinal, under mandible), perineum, mane and tail.

- OR
- No ticks were found.
  - Ticks were found and all horses in the premises were immediately treated with a parasiticide effective against ticks. Subsequent re-inspection established that ticks were no longer present. The Hong Kong Government has been advised and has accepted the horse for temporary importation and the approval documentation is attached.
- ii. The horse was treated with a broad spectrum parasiticide, licensed/registered for use on horses, capable of killing ticks and used according to the manufacturer's recommendations within 48 hours prior to export.

**VII) CERTIFICATION VALIDITY**

This certificate is valid for 72 hours.

Stamp ..... Signed ..... RCVS

Name in block letters: .....

**Official Veterinarian**

Date ..... Address .....

Other contact details in event of an emergency outside normal working hours:

**FOOTNOTES:**

1. The language of the exporting/importing country(ies) may also be used providing that it appears below the English version on the same certification. In the event of any differences, the English version will prevail.
2. Scheduled countries for temporary import into Hong Kong: Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Peninsular Malaysia, New Zealand, the Netherlands, Qatar, the Republic of Ireland, Singapore, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom (Great Britain & Northern Ireland) and the United States of America. The Special Administrative Region of Macau is also classified as scheduled country in the context of this document.
3. Competent Authority: The government authority of the exporting country which is responsible to issue official certification for the export of horses - it is Defra in the case of the UK.
4. The consignor or his authorised agent must complete the acknowledgement (SECTION X/Annex B) and attach it to this certificate.
5. Permanent/Usual Residency: This is the country where the horse is normally resident.
6. Certified copies may be photocopies of the original importation certification bearing the name, title, signature, date and official stamp of the official veterinarian issuing the onward certification. If copies of health certificates and/or laboratory reports are not available then the tests will be deemed to have not taken place and must be performed in the UK.
7. Clause not applicable to initial certification issued in country of permanent/usual residency or if the horse is permanent/usually resident in Macau.
8. An official African horse sickness free zone of a country, territory or part of a territory as designated by AFCD.
9. All serological tests and vaccinations must be carried out in accordance with the latest version of the OIE Manual of Standards for Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines if OIE standards exist. The laboratory reports (or certified copies) for tests carried out must be attached to this certificate and officially endorsed by the certifying veterinarian. Proof of vaccinations must also be attached.
10. Blood samples must be sent to a laboratory approved by the veterinary authority of the country in which the horse is resident.
11. Enter date the blood sample was collected.
12. Equivac® HeV virus vaccine produced by Zoetis Australia Pty Ltd is the only available vaccine against Hendra virus and subsequently approved for use for imported horses by AFCD. Vaccines must be administered as per registration requirements and manufacturer's advice. The import must be accompanied by an up-to-date vaccination certificate endorsed by the OV.

**ADDITIONAL CERTIFICATION FOR HORSES INTENDED FOR TEMPORARY EXPORT TO HONG KONG AND WHICH HAVE RACED IN ANOTHER SCHEDULED COUNTRY DURING THE 60 DAYS PRIOR TO SHIPMENT FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM - REQUIRED TO APPLY OF A 2300EHC PARAGRAPH IV WAIVER**

Name of horse :		Colour :	
Sex :	Age :	Breed :	
Passport/Identification/Microchip No: Passport/identification silhouette is attached to this document*:			
Name and Address of premises of dispatch:			

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (insert name), an Official Veterinarian, hereby certify that:

- 1) the horse identified above was continuously resident from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ (dates) in \_\_\_\_\_ (name of Country);
- 2) during the period mentioned at 1) above or, if longer, during the 60 days immediately prior to leaving \_\_\_\_\_ (name of Country):
- (a) (i) either the horse has only been in an African Horse Sickness (AHS) free country where AHS has not been reported in the last two years and where vaccination against this disease has not been practiced in the last 12 months, or it has been in an officially recognised AHS Free Zone<sup>(3)</sup>.
- (ii) the horse has not been in any country in which Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis, glanders and surra has been reported during the last two years nor has the horse been vaccinated against Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis disease.
- (b) the horse either has only been in countries that have been free of terrestrial rabies for the last 2 years, or the horse has not been exposed to rabies nor been on any premises where rabies has been reported for the last 60 days.
- (c) the horse has not been on any premises where the diseases listed below occurred during the 60 days prior to export, nor have the horses been infected with the diseases listed below during the 60 days prior to export.

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Equine ehrlichiosis	Glanders**	St.Louis encephalitis	
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The diseases with a double asterisk (\*\*) listed above are compulsorily notifiable in the country of dispatch.

Stamp ..... Signed .....RCVS

Name in block letters: .....

Official Veterinarian\*

Date ..... Address .....

Other contact details in event of an emergency outside normal working hours:

**\* IMPORTANT: If the horse has been in Italy, then a certificate based on this model has to be signed by an Italian Official Veterinarian.**

**This (type of) certificate and the intra-EU certificate/health attestation (the latter does not apply for movements from France and Ireland) must be attached to the application for the 2300EHC Paragraph IV waiver.**