



DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS  
THE SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT  
THE WELSH GOVERNMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT NORTHERN IRELAND

EXPORT OF DAY OLD CHICKS TO SOUTH AFRICA

No: .....

HEALTH CERTIFICATE

EXPORTING COUNTRY: UNITED KINGDOM

FOR COMPLETION BY: OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN

I. Number and Identification of the chicks

Seal Numbers	Numbers of chicks	Breed	Sex

II. (\*\*\*) Origin of the chicks

a) Name and address of exporter:

b) Address(es) and approval numbers of flock(s) of origin:

c) Address and approval number of hatchery:

**III. Destination of the chicks**

- a) Name and address of consignee in South Africa:
- b) Means of transportation:  
(flight number)
- c) South African veterinary import permit number:

**IV. Health Information**

I, the undersigned, certify that the chicks described above meet the following requirements:

- a) The flocks of origin and the hatchery are located in
- EITHER\*** (i) a country approved by the Veterinary Authority of South Africa; (\*\*)
- OR\*** (ii) a poultry compartment within the UK which is officially free from notifiable avian influenza (NAI) according to the criteria of the OIE and the birds for export will not transit any areas under official restrictions because of avian influenza;
- b) **EITHER\*** (i) no outbreak of **Newcastle disease** (fowl pest) has been confirmed in the United Kingdom in the past 12 months;
- OR\*** (ii) the flocks of origin and the hatchery have been free from Newcastle disease throughout the past 12 months and are not situated in any area subject to official restrictions for the control of **Newcastle Disease**;
- c) the flocks of origin have been free from clinical signs of infectious or contagious diseases during the past 12 months;
- d) the hatchery at paragraph II (c) is approved for export by the official veterinary authorities of the country of origin, being a member of a Government supervised poultry health scheme, which complies with the requirements which are at least equivalent to those laid down in EU Council Directive 2009/158/EC on animal health conditions governing intra-Community trade in live poultry and hatching eggs;
- e) the flock(s) of origin at paragraph II (b) has been subject to monthly testing of a minimum of 29 birds per epidemiological unit for notifiable **avian influenza** (sub-types H5 and H7) with negative results in each case. Testing has been completed within 21 days of export or after setting the eggs;
- f) the flock(s) of origin at paragraph II (b) are recognised by the official veterinary authorities of the country of origin as being free from **notifiable avian influenza** (sub-types H5 and H7);

- g) vaccination against **avian influenza** is forbidden in the country of origin in commercial and outdoor poultry, and is permitted in EU Member States only in zoo birds in accordance with EU legislation;
- h) the flock(s) of origin have not been vaccinated against **avian influenza**;
- j) **Marek's** disease has not caused a mortality rate higher than 2% in the flock(s) of origin during the past 12 months;
- k) the flock(s) of origin have been vaccinated for **Marek's** disease as follows:

Date	Vaccine (Name)	Manufacturer

- l) there has been no evidence, based on clinical and pathological observations, laboratory investigations and other examinations, of the following diseases in the flock(s) of origin during the past 12 months:  
**infectious laryngotracheitis, egg drop syndrome, fowl cholera; avian vibriotic hepatitis; avian lymphoid leucosis;**
- m) the flock(s) of origin are subject to regular microbiological sampling for **Salmonella pullorum, S.gallinarum and S.enteritidis**, the samples being taken at intervals not greater than 28 days from the flocks' environment and cultured in a government approved laboratory, with negative results in each case during the past 6 months;
- n) on (date), being no later than 4 weeks prior to the onset of egg production, the flock(s) of origin were vaccinated for **avian encephalomyelitis** using the following vaccine approved by the veterinary competent authority of the country of origin and according to the manufacturer's instructions:  
  
name of vaccine  
name of manufacturer
- o) the flock(s) of origin are members of a Government supervised poultry health scheme, and are considered free of **Mycoplasma gallisepticum** on the basis of regular routine serological testing carried out as a condition of the Scheme, with negative results in each case;
- p) the flock(s) of origin are subject to regular serological testing for **Mycoplasma synoviae**, in which a random sample of the flock is tested at intervals of not more than 6 weeks, the latest test being within 4 weeks of the intended date of export, with a negative result for each flock of origin in each case during the past 6 months;
- q) there has been no evidence of **infectious bronchitis** in the flock(s) of origin since 3 weeks prior to the collection of the eggs from which the chicks for export were hatched;
- r) the day old chicks have not been vaccinated with any **infectious bronchitis** vaccine;

- s) there has been no evidence of **infectious bursal disease** in the flock(s) of origin since 3 weeks prior to the collection of the eggs from which the chicks for export were hatched;
- t) the eggs from which the day old chicks were hatched were incubated and hatched separately from all other eggs apart from those similarly certified, and since hatching the chicks have been kept separately from all other birds apart from those similarly certified;
- u) I have this day inspected the chicks for export and found them to be free from clinical signs of infectious or contagious disease and in my opinion fit to travel;
- v) I have received a written declaration from the owner/exporter that the chicks will be packed in new, clean boxes and separators conforming to the International Air Transport Association (IATA) regulations.

\* **Delete whichever is not applicable.**

**(\*\*) This certificate is currently valid to export day-old chicks hatched in the UK from eggs originating in the UK, The Republic of Ireland and/or another Member State of the EU only or as otherwise allowed in the RSA official import permit.**

**NB:** paragraph IV (i) has been intentionally omitted to avoid confusion with paragraph indents

**V. This certificate is valid for 10 days.**

<b>Stamp</b>	<b>Signed</b> .....	<b>RCVS</b>
	<b>Name in block letters:</b> .....	
	<b>Official Veterinarian</b>	
<b>Date</b> .....	<b>Address</b> .....	
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EXPORT OF DAY-OLD CHICKS FROM INDIVIDUAL ESTABLISHMENTS IN A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED HPAI-FREE COMPARTMENT TO SOUTH AFRICA

SUPPLEMENTARY HEALTH CERTIFICATE

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**III. Health Information**

I, the undersigned, certify that the chicks described above meet the following requirements:

- a) The flock(s) of origin at paragraph II (b) has been subject to ELISA monthly testing of a minimum of 29 birds per epidemiological unit, and the last serological testing by ELISA was performed on a minimum of 60 birds per epidemiological unit from all source flock(s), the blood samples were taken at least 7 days after eggs were laid; with negative results for notifiable avian influenza (sub-types H5 and H7) in each case.
- ♦ b) Approved avian influenza PCR testing has been performed on a minimum of 60 birds per epidemiological unit from all source flock(s), the samples were taken at least 7 days after eggs were laid, with negative results for notifiable avian influenza (sub-types H5 and H7) in each case; (samples must be 60 cloacal or 60 oropharyngeal swabs tested in pools of no more than 5)

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Name in block letters: .....

Official Veterinarian

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