

## Model health certificate for breeding ratites from non-EU countries

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Part I. Details of dispatched consignment							
<b>I.1 Consignor</b> Name: Address:  Tel:		<b>I.2 Certificate reference no.</b>		<b>I.3 Central competent authority</b>			
		<b>I.2.a Not in use</b>		<b>I.4 Local competent authority</b>			
<b>I.5 Consignee</b> Name: Address:  Tel:				<b>I.6 Not in use</b>			
<b>I.7 Country of origin</b>	<b>ISO code</b>	<b>I.8 Region of origin</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>I.9 Country of destination</b>	<b>ISO code</b>	<b>I.10 Region of destination</b>	<b>Code</b>
<b>I.11 Place of origin</b> Name: Approval number: Address:  Name: Approval number: Address:  Name: Approval number: Address:				<b>I.12 Not in use</b>			
<b>I.13 Place of loading</b> Address  Approval number				<b>I.14 Date of departure</b> <b>Time of departure</b>			
<b>I.15 Means of transport</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Aeroplane <input type="checkbox"/> Ship <input type="checkbox"/> Railway wagon <input type="checkbox"/> Road vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> Other Identification: Documentation references:				<b>I.16 Entry BCP</b>			
				<b>I.17 Not in use</b>			

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<b>I.18 Description of commodity</b>				
<b>I.19 Commodity code (HS code)</b>  01.06.39	<b>I.21</b> Not in use	<b>I.23 Seal / Container No.</b>		
<b>I.20 Quantity</b>	<b>I.22 Number of packages</b>	<b>I.24</b> Not in use		
<b>I.25 Commodity certified for</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Breeding				
<b>I.26</b> Not in use		<b>I.27</b> <input type="checkbox"/> For import or admission into Great Britain		
<b>I.28 Identification of the commodities</b>				
Species (Scientific name)	Breed / Category	Identification system	Identification number	Sex

**Part II. Certification**

**II.1 Animal health attestation**

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify that the ratites <sup>(1)</sup> described in this certificate:

**II.1.1** meet the provisions of Directive 2009/158/EC;

**II.1.2** have remained on:

<sup>(2)(3)</sup> *either* [the territory of code .....;]

<sup>(3)(4)</sup> *or* [compartment(s) .....;]

for at least three months or since hatching where it is less than three months old; where it was imported into the country, territory, zone or compartment of origin, this took place in accordance with veterinary conditions at least as strict as the relevant requirements of Directive 2009/158/EC and any subsidiary Decisions;

**II.1.3** come from:

<sup>(2)(3)(8)</sup> *either* [the territory of code .....;]

<sup>(3)(4)</sup> *or* [compartment(s) .....;]

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<sup>(3)</sup>either [(a) which was (were) free from Newcastle disease as defined in Regulation (EC) No 798/2008;]

<sup>(3)(5)</sup>or [(a) which was not free from Newcastle disease as defined in Regulation (EC) No 798/2008;]

(b) where a surveillance programme for avian influenza according to Regulation (EC) No 798/2008 is carried out;

II.1.4 come from:

<sup>(2)(3)</sup>either [the territory of code .....;]

<sup>(3)(4)</sup>or [compartment(s) .....;]

<sup>(3)</sup>either [II.1.4.1 at the date of issue of this certificate was (were) free from highly pathogenic and low pathogenic avian influenza as defined in Regulation (EC) No 798/2008;]

<sup>(3)</sup>or [[II.1.4.1 which at the date of issue of this certificate was (were) not free from **highly pathogenic or low pathogenic avian influenza** as defined in Regulation (EC) No 798/2008, and, where they have occurred:

<sup>(3)</sup>either [(a) following case(s) of **highly pathogenic avian influenza**, a 'stamping out' policy has been implemented to control the disease, and

- i) adequate cleansing and disinfection had been carried out on all previously infected establishments; and
- ii) following completion of the cleansing and disinfection referred to in point (i) of this paragraph, avian influenza surveillance has been carried out at least by randomised representative sampling of the populations at risk to demonstrate the absence of infection, (taking into account the specific epidemiological circumstances in relation to the occurred outbreak(s)), with negative results; and
- iii) an opening date has been entered in column 6B in the list of approved countries ('Poultry and poultry products') published on gov.uk<sup>(10)</sup>, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 798/2008;]

<sup>(3)</sup>and/or [(b) following case(s) of **low pathogenic avian influenza**,

<sup>(3)</sup>either [(b) a stamping out policy has been implemented or the poultry have been slaughtered to control the disease, and

- i. adequate cleansing and disinfection had been carried out on all previously infected establishments; and
- ii. following completion of the cleansing and disinfection referred to in point (i) of this paragraph, avian influenza surveillance has been carried out at least by randomised representative sampling of the populations at risk to demonstrate the absence of infection, (taking into account the specific epidemiological circumstances in relation to the occurred outbreak(s)), with negative results;]

<sup>(3)</sup>and/or [(b) the ratites have been kept in an establishment:

- i. in which within the last 30 days prior to import to Great Britain low pathogenic avian influenza has not been present;

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- ii. located in an area which is not placed under official veterinary restrictions by the competent authority in relation to an outbreak of low pathogenic avian influenza and in any case around which within a 1 km radius low pathogenic avian influenza has not been present within the last 30 days prior to import to Great Britain in any establishment;
- iii. where there has been no epidemiological link to an establishment where low pathogenic avian influenza has been present within the last 30 days prior to import to Great Britain;]

**II.1.5** come from a flock where vaccination against avian influenza has not been carried out;

**II.1.6** come from establishment(s) defined in Box I.11 of Part I officially approved in accordance with requirements which are at least equivalent to those laid down in Annex II to Directive 2009/158/EC, where they have been kept since hatching or for at least six weeks immediately prior to export, and

- (i) the approval of which has not been suspended or withdrawn;
- (ii) which is (are) not subject to any animal health restriction;
- (iii) within a 10 km radius of which, including, where appropriate, the territory of a neighbouring country, there has been no outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza or Newcastle disease for at least the previous 30 days;

**II.1.7** comes from a flock which:

(a) has been examined no more than 24 hours before loading and showed no clinical signs of or grounds for suspecting any disease;

<sup>(3)</sup>either [(b) has not been vaccinated against Newcastle disease;]

<sup>(3)</sup>or [(b) has been vaccinated against Newcastle disease:

Identification of the flock	Age of the birds	Date of vaccination [dd/mm/yyyy]	Name and type (live or inactivated) of ND virus strain used in vaccine(s)	Batch number	Name and manufacturer of vaccine

<sup>(6)</sup>and/or [(c) has been vaccinated using officially approved vaccines:

Identification of the flock	Age of the birds	Date of vaccination [dd/mm/yyyy]	Vaccinated against	Batch number	Name, manufacturer and type of officially approved vaccines

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<sup>(6)</sup>**II.1.8** where they come from countries in Asia or Africa:

<sup>(3)</sup>*either* [were kept in isolation in tick-proofed surroundings under an officially approved programme for rodent control for at least 21 days prior import to Great Britain;]

<sup>(3)</sup>*or* [underwent treatment to ensure that all ticks on them were destroyed before they were moved to the tick- proofed surroundings; specification of the treatment: ..... ;]

<sup>(3)</sup>*or* [after spending 14 days in tick-proofed surroundings, underwent the competitive ELISA test for antibodies to Crimean-Congo haemorrhagic fever and all ratites leaving isolation tested negative;]

**II.1.9** have been examined at the date of issue of this certificate and showed no clinical signs of or grounds for suspecting any disease;

**II.1.10** during the period mentioned in II.1.6 have had no contact with ratites not complying with the requirements laid down in this certificate or with other birds

**II.2. Additional guarantees**

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, further certify that:

<sup>(9)</sup>**II.2.1** the breeding or productive ratites have been examined and tested in accordance with point 8 of Section I of Annex 3 to Regulation (EC) No 798/2008].

**<sup>(5)</sup>II.3. Additional health requirements for countries not free from Newcastle disease**

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, further certify that the ratites described in this certificate:

**(a)** were placed under official surveillance for at least 21 days prior to import to Great Britain in a quarantine station as defined in Article 2 of Directive 2009/158/EC and approved by the competent authority: (*approval number and address of the quarantine station:* .....);

**(b)** underwent a virus isolation test for Newcastle disease, carried out in an official laboratory seven to 10 days after their entry into quarantine station on either cloacal swabs or faeces samples from each bird and in which no avian paramyxovirus type 1 isolates with an intracerebral Pathogenicity Index (ICPI) of more than 0,4 were found. Favourable results were available from all birds in the consignment before they left the quarantine station for import to Great Britain;

**(c)** come from flocks in which surveillance for Newcastle disease has been carried out under a statistically based sampling plan which produced negative results for at least six months immediately prior to import to Great Britain.]

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#### **(7)II.4. Animal transport attestation**

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, further certify that the ratites are transported in crates or cages which:

- (a) contain only ratites of the same species, category and type coming from the same establishment;
- (b) bear the approval number of the establishment of origin;
- (c) are closed in accordance with the instructions of the competent authority to avoid any possibility of substitution of the contents;
- (d) in addition to the vehicles in which they are transported, are designed to:
  - (i) prevent any excrement escaping and reduce to a minimum any loss of feathers during transport;
  - (ii) allow visual inspection of the ratites;
  - (iii) allow cleansing and disinfection;
- (e) have been cleansed and disinfected, as have the vehicles in which they are transported, before loading in accordance with the instructions of the competent authority

#### **Notes**

References to European Union legislation within this certificate are references to direct EU legislation which has been retained in Great Britain (retained EU law as defined in the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018) and can be viewed on the UK legislation website ([legislation.gov.uk](http://legislation.gov.uk)).

References to Great Britain in this certificate include Channel Islands and Isle of Man.

#### **Part I:**

- Box reference I.8: Provide the code for the zone or the compartment of origin, if necessary, as defined under code of column 2 as set out in a document relating to 'poultry and poultry products' published on [gov.uk](http://gov.uk), in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 798/2008.<sup>(10)</sup>
- Box reference I.11: Name, address and approval number of breeding or rearing establishment.
- Box reference I.15: Indicate the registration number(s) of railway wagons and lorries, the names of ships and, if known, the flight numbers of aircraft. In the case of transport in containers or boxes, the total number of these and their registration and where there is a serial number of the seal it has to be indicated in box I.23.
- Box reference I.28: (Category): Select one of the following: Pure line/grandparents/parents/others;  
(Identification System and Identification Number): Neck-tags and microchips must include the ISO code of the country of origin; microchips must comply with ISO standards.

#### **Part II:**

- (1) 'Ratites' means birds of the order Struthioniformes (*Casuariidae*, *Rheidae*, *Struthionidae*) reared or kept in captivity for breeding and production.

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- (2) Code of the territory as it appears in column 2 in a document relating to 'poultry and poultry products' published on gov.uk, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 798/2008.<sup>(10)</sup>
- (3) Keep as appropriate.
- (4) Insert the name of compartment(s).
- (5) This is applicable only to the countries with the entry 'I' in column 5 as set out in a document relating to 'poultry and poultry products' published on gov.uk, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 798/2008.<sup>(10)</sup> However, this does not apply to breeding and productive ratites coming from compartments.
- (6) Keep if appropriate.
- (7) Please note that according to Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 animals will be checked by the competent authorities if they are fit to continue the journey after entry into Great Britain. In the case the requirements are not fulfilled, the animals need to be unloaded and further measures taken.
- (8) For countries or territories with the entry 'N' in column 6 as set out in a document relating to 'poultry and poultry products' published on gov.uk, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 798/2008<sup>(10)</sup>, for breeding or productive ratites (BPR) only, this means that in the case of an outbreak of Newcastle disease as defined in Regulation (EC) No 798/2008 then the country code or territory code shall continue to be used but this will exclude any area under official restrictions, by the third country concerned in relation to Newcastle disease, at the date of issue of this certificate.
- (9) This guarantee is only required for breeding or productive ratites coming from countries, territories or zones with the entry 'X' in column 5 as set out in a document relating to 'poultry and poultry products' published on gov.uk, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 798/2008.<sup>(10)</sup>
- (10) A document relating to 'poultry and poultry products' for non-EU countries published by the Secretary of State, with the consent of the Scottish and Welsh Ministers, may be found here:

[Non-EU countries approved to export animals and animal products to Great Britain - data.gov.uk](https://data.gov.uk)

This certificate is valid for 10 days.

<b>Official Veterinarian</b>	
Name (in capital letters):	Qualification and title:
Date:	Signature:
Stamp:	