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**EXPORT OF PORCINE BLOOD PRODUCTS FOR LABORATORY USE WHICH MAY CONTAIN *STREPTOCOCCUS SUI*S TO CANADA  
NOTES FOR GUIDANCE OF THE CERTIFYING OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN**

Associated Documents: 8810EHC

**IMPORTANT**

These notes provide guidance to Official Veterinarians (OV) and exporters. The NFG should have been issued to you together with export certificate 8810EHC. The NFG should not be read as a standalone document but in conjunction with certificate 8810EHC. 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 8810EHC can be used for the export of porcine blood products for laboratory use which may contain *Streptococcus suis* to Canada.

**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, Welsh Government or the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA) Northern Ireland, who is on the appropriate panel for export purposes or who holds the appropriate Official Controls Qualification (Veterinary) (OCQ(V)) authorisation.

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

**Certified Copy Requirements**

Certifiers are only required to return a certified copy of EHCs for the following EHC types:

If the commodity is cattle, pigs, sheep, goats or camelids  
EHC's where the certifier cannot submit certifier feedback

If you are required to return a certified copy to CITC, email a scanned copy to [certifiedcopies@apha.gov.uk](mailto:certifiedcopies@apha.gov.uk).

Retain a copy of all EHCs and supporting documentation certified for two years.

Certifiers are not required to return certified copies of other EHCs issued, however, CITC may request certified copies of EHCs and supporting documentation in order to complete Quality Assurance checks or if an issue arises with the consignment after certification.

**DAERA Export Health Certificates: Provision of certified copies**

aPVPs certifying DECOL produced Export Health Certificates must return a legible, scanned copy of the final EHC to the relevant DAERA Processing Office within 1 working day of signing.

Good quality photographic copies will be accepted by the department, where obtaining a scanned copy is not feasible - for example, where

'on site' certification is undertaken and scanning facilities are not available.

For record purposes, a copy of the final Export Health Certificate and associated Support documents should be retained by the aPVP for a period of 2 years from the date of certification.

The Department will carry out periodic audits of all aspects of export certification to ensure that a high standard of certification is being maintained.

### **3. Details of Dispatched Consignment**

The following guidance should be followed in addition to the notes at the end of the certificate.

- **1.1 - Exporting Country**  
Pre-filled with 'United Kingdom'
- **1.2 - Certificate Number**  
Enter the unique certificate issue number
- **1.3 - Central Competent Authority**  
Pre-filled with "Defra".
- **1.4 - Local Competent Authority**  
For exporting establishments located in Great Britain (England, Scotland and Wales) this should be completed with "APHA"  
For exporting establishments located in Northern Ireland, this should be completed with "DAERA".
- **1.5 - Consignor**  
Enter the exporter details
- **1.6 - Consignee**  
Enter the details of the recipient
- **1.7 - Country/ies of Origin**  
This relates to the country or countries where the products were collected from animals, processed and/or manufactured.  
Multiple countries may be entered as necessary.

The internationally recognised two letter country ISO codes are set out under ISO 3166, which can be viewed via the Online Browsing Platform available at:  
<https://www.iso.org/iso-3166-country-codes.html>

- **1.8 - Country of Destination**  
Pre-filled with 'Canada'
- **1.9 - Place of Origin**  
This relates to the name and address of the UK establishment from which the products are being exported and official approval number when required by UK legislation.

Depending on the precise nature of the material, the establishment may need to be approved or registered in accordance with the Animal By-Products (Enforcement) (England) Regulations 2013 or with parallel legislation in force in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

These statutory instruments currently enforce and implement the principles and controls laid down under the retained Regulation (EC) 1069/2009 (as last amended 14/12/2019).

The approval number may be confirmed on sight of a valid approval or registration document or by reference to the responsible local

APHA or DAERA office.

- **1.10 - Entry point in Canada**  
Enter the official point of entry in Canada
- **1.11 - Place of Loading/Shipment**  
Enter the place of departure from the UK
- **1.12 - Date of Departure**  
Enter the date of departure from the UK
- **1.13 - Description of Commodity**  
Enter a brief description of the commodity, including physical characteristics and avoiding brand names.
- **I.14 - HS Code**  
Further information on the Harmonised System (HS) Code can be found at <https://www.trade-tariff.service.gov.uk/browse>  
The OV should confirm with the exporter that the HS Code used correctly describes the products being consigned.
- **1.15 - Commodities certified for**  
Enter a 'X' in the technical use box
- **1.16 - Temperature of Product**  
Enter a 'X' in the correct box
- **1.17 - Means of Transport**  
Enter a 'X' in the correct box and enter the number plate, vessel or flight number as appropriate
- **1.18 - identification of container(s) and seal number(s)**  
Enter the identifications of the containers and seal numbers. Markings (such as company logo, name or other) must be clearly described.
- **I.19 - For Transit Through Canada to 3<sup>rd</sup> Country**  
Enter the final destination country or enter N/A if the consignment is not for transit.

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- **1.20 - Numbers and Titles of Accompanying documents**  
Enter details of any accompanying documents
- **I.21 - Description and Identification of the Commodities**  
The "Manufacturing Plant & CCVA Approval Number" should be completed with the approval or registration number issued by the Central Competent Veterinary Authority for the establishment responsible for manufacturing/processing the samples (see guidance for I.9).  
The approval or registration number/s may be confirmed on sight of the relevant importation documentation.

#### 4. HEALTH INFORMATION

- **Paragraphs 1-4** may be certified on the basis that the United Kingdom appears on CFIA's list of countries officially recognised by Canada as free from the relevant diseases:

<https://inspection.canada.ca/animal-health/terrestrial-animals/diseases/status-by-country/united-kingdom/eng/1586983504492/1586983504945>

- **Paragraph 5** may be certified on receipt of a '618NDC' notification of disease clearance from APHA for Aujeszky's disease.

The Notifiable Disease Occurrence List for Great Britain and

Northern Ireland can be consulted at  
[http://apha.defra.gov.uk/external-operations-  
admin/library/documents/exports/ET171.pdf](http://apha.defra.gov.uk/external-operations-admin/library/documents/exports/ET171.pdf)

**5. 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 Centre for International Trade (CIT) - Exports in Carlisle, via the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/contact-apha#animal-exports>

In Northern Ireland, contact the DAERA trade administration team:  
e-mail - [tradeadminpost@daera-ni.gov.uk](mailto:tradeadminpost@daera-ni.gov.uk)  
Phone - 0289 0520989