

## **EXPORT OF TORTOISES TO THE REPUBLIC OF SERBIA**

### **NOTES FOR GUIDANCE (NFG) FOR OFFICIAL VETERINARIANS AND EXPORTERS**

This document should not be read as a standalone document but in conjunction with 9109EHC.

#### **Scope of the certificate**

This certificate may be issued for the export of tortoises for commercial purposes where the certification takes place in Wales, Scotland or England, i.e. Great Britain only.

A note on the English text and translation:

Please note that this certificate is taken from an English translation provided by Serbian Authorities and the English text is therefore constrained by their model certificate.

#### **Country of origin**

Although the certificate has been prepopulated with UNITED KINGDOM, this certificate should and can only be issued for animals that are certified in England, Scotland and Wales (i.e. Great Britain).

#### **Certification**

The basic principles of certification apply and although this is not a harmonised EU level EU entry certificate, the general requirements that the EU specifies for its harmonised certificates should be followed i.e. Reg 2020/2235.

#### **Place of dispatch**

The place of dispatch must be registered or approved by the competent authority. A Balai approval number will be acceptable.

#### **Place of destination**

The place of destination must be registered with the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management Veterinary Directorate in Serbia.

#### **Entry BCP**

Official designation number of the BCP should be used, list for reference provided here: [Designated Border Control Posts \(BCPs\) \(europa.eu\)](https://ec.europa.eu/eupl/customs/border-control-posts/).

#### **Place of loading**

In the case of traveling by plane, write "name of the airport". In case of traveling by sea, write "name of the port". In case of traveling by land, write "name of the

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establishment where the animals are loaded onto means of transport".

### **Means of transport**

Select one or more of the following means of transport for animals or goods leaving the country of dispatch, and indicate its identification:

- aircraft (indicate the flight number);
- ship (indicate the ship name and number);
- railway (indicate the train identity and wagon number);
- road vehicle (indicate the registration number with trailer number, if applicable).

In the case of a ferry, tick 'ship' and identify the road vehicle(s) with registration number (with trailer number, if applicable), in addition to the name and number of the scheduled ferry.

### **Notifiable Disease Clearance**

**Part II:** Certifying Officers should have personal knowledge of the establishment and make their own checks to be satisfied in order to sign these attestations.

Diseases specified in the certificate that require establishment freedom only (In this scenario, OV's do not have to approach CITA and must establish the disease freedom themselves.) For diseases that require disease freedom attestations at the level of the establishment of origin/departure (within the boundaries), OV's should check establishment records, [check with the (approved) premises' veterinarian] [check with the veterinarian responsible for the registered establishment] (if a different person) and collect evidence as necessary for themselves.

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**Disclaimer:** This certificate is provided based on 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, in Carlisle, see the link below.

[Contact APHA - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk)

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