

Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

The Bluetongue Regulations 2008 (as amended) – Regulations 10 and 12

General Licence for movements of animals to a premises inside a bluetongue Temporary Control Zone

I being an inspector appointed by the Secretary of State for the purposes of the Bluetongue Regulations 2008 as amended (“the Regulations”) permit, subject to the conditions set out in the Schedule attached, the movement of animals to a premises inside a bluetongue Temporary Control Zone.

This licence is valid from 19:30 on 04/09/2024

Veterinary Inspector

Name: Radu Pancu

Signature: RP

Date: 19:30 on 04/09/2024

Veterinary Inspector appointed by Secretary of State, the Welsh Ministers and the Scottish Ministers.

Schedule of Conditions

1. The movement of animals shall be directly from the source premises outside the Temporary Control Zone to the destination premises inside the Temporary Control Zone. The source and destination premises must not be under any bluetongue premises restriction notice,
2.
 - a) Immediately prior to the move, the licensee must inspect the animals to be moved under authority of this licence for clinical signs of Bluetongue infection. If any animal inspected shows clinical signs of Bluetongue infection, the animal should be kept isolated from the rest of the herd/flock, and this must be reported to APHA immediately. In such a case, the movements under this licence shall not take place.
 - b) If Bluetongue is suspected or confirmed at the source or destination premises, the movements under this licence shall not take place.
3. After unloading of animals, prior to the vehicle leaving the destination premises within the Temporary Control Zone, the licensee must ensure the requirements of Condition 4 are complied with.
4. The requirements referred to in Condition 3 are:
 - a) The animal area of the vehicle is cleansed adequately ensuring it is free of organic matter that could attract midges prior to treatment in part b.
 - b) The animal area of the vehicle is treated with an approved insecticide.
 - c) Any insecticide applied to the vehicle is allowed to fully dry prior to loading any animals.
 - d) All persons relying on this licence should be satisfied that this has been done to an adequate standard.
5. The move through the Temporary Control Zone and to the destination premises, must be direct, by public highways, and by the route that is considered likely to be the quickest available.
6. Multiple pick-ups or drop-offs are not permitted.
7. Once loaded and the journey commenced, animals must not be unloaded until arrival at the destination premises.
8. The licensee must retain, for a minimum period of 2 years records of:
 - a. Number of animals moved and their identification numbers.
 - b. Insecticides used.
9. Subject to the conditions outlined in the Disease Control Order 2003 General Licence for the movement of cattle, sheep, goats and pigs, scheduled stops are permitted at the following locations:
 - a. Motorway service stations
 - b. Official lay-by (on a trunk/main road)
 - c. Lorry Park or similar place
10. When moving anything under the authority of this licence, a person must carry with them a consignment note. The consignment note must include:
 - a. The species and number of animals being moved,
 - b. The date of the movement,
 - c. The name of the consignor,
 - d. The address of the premises from which the movement started,
 - e. The name of the consignee, and
 - f. The address of the premises of destination.

Notes

1. 'The relevant authority' means the Secretary of State in England.
2. "The Regulations" in this licence means the Bluetongue Regulations 2008 (as amended) and The Movement of Animals (Restrictions) (England) Order 2002 (as amended)
3. "Animal" means a ruminating animal or camelid. Ruminating animals include, but are not limited to, cattle, sheep, goats, deer. Camelids include, but are not limited to, camels, llamas and alpacas.
4. This licence cannot be used to move animals out of a Temporary Control Zone, except where it is reasonable and justifiable that the vehicle transits outside the Temporary Control Zone (without stopping at any premises) on its route to the destination premises in the same Temporary Control Zone.
5. Full details of scheduled stops can be found in Annex C from the general licence made under the Disease Control Order for the movement of cattle, sheep, goats and pigs, as mentioned in condition 9, can be found on gov.uk: [General licence for the movement of cattle, sheep, goats and pigs: annex A to C - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk)
6. The vehicle must be clear of material likely to attract midges and the animal area of the vehicle must be treated with an insecticide and allowed to fully dry following unloading of animals at the destination premises.
7. The insecticide used on vehicles used to transport animals moved under the authority of this licence must be effective against flying insects, ideally Culicoides spp. (midges). It should ideally contain the active ingredients: pyrethrin or synthetic pyrethroids. It must be currently authorised by the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) as a biocidal product for use in the UK.

The licensee should check and adhere to the manufacturer's instructions for the conditions of use of any products applied to the vehicles used to transport animals being moved under the authority of this licence.
8. The requirements set out in this licence do not remove the user's obligations under The Transport of Animals (Cleansing and Disinfection) (England) (No. 3) Order 2003 (SI No, 1724) to cleanse and disinfect the vehicle.
9. All requirements of the Disease Control (England) Order 2003 (as amended) (SI No.1729) and licences under that Order must be met.
10. All movements are subject to the animals being properly identified and accompanied by the appropriate duly completed movement documentation. Movements must comply with routine movement standstill and reporting requirements.
11. A person moving anything under the authority of this licence must, if asked to do so by an inspector, or other officer of the Secretary of State, give their name and address, produce the consignment note and allow copies or an extract to be taken.

12. Record keeping systems must be in place to ensure that all movements can be traced from the source premises to the destination premises.
13. If you suspect notifiable disease, you must report this immediately to Defra Rural Services Helpline on 03000 200 301
14. All other relevant legislation must be complied with.
15. Contact the APHA on the number provided above or your Local Authority (LA) for further advice on biosecurity measures and any other legislation that may apply.

Any person who contravenes any requirement or prohibition of a declaration made under the Bluetongue Regulations 2008 (as amended) may be committing an offence and may be liable on summary conviction to a level 5 fine on the standard scale or to 3 months imprisonment, or both.