



Animal By Products Team

OVS NOTE 2025/03

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Changes to imports of display items and non-harmonised ABP from EU and EFTA member states, and update on import of research and diagnostic samples from Germany, following confirmation of FMD in Germany

Purpose

1. To inform you of the revocation of **IMP/GEN/2024/08** and publication of **IMP/GEN/2025/01** for non-harmonised ABP from EU and EFTA member states.
2. To inform you of the revocation of **IMP/GEN/2024/06** and publication of **IMP/GEN/2025/02** for display items from EU and EFTA member states.
3. To provide an update about the import of research and diagnostic samples from EU and EFTA member states.

Background

Display items and non-harmonised ABP/derived products from EU and EFTA member states

4. From April 2024, general import authorisation (**IMP/GEN/2024/08**) has been available for use to import any type of non-harmonised ABP/derived products and general import authorisation (**IMP/GEN/2024/06**) has been available for use to import display items.
5. Following confirmation of Foot and Mouth Disease in Germany, **IMP/GEN/2024/08** is being revoked and replaced with a new general import authorisation (**IMP/GEN/2025/01**). **IMP/GEN/2024/06** is being revoked and replaced with a new general import authorisation (**IMP/GEN/2025/02**). Both will be available here: [General licences and authorisations to import live animals or animal products - GOV.UK](#)
6. These new authorisations will need to be used immediately by traders once published on gov.uk.
7. These new general import authorisations cannot be used for non-harmonised ABP/derived products or display items originating from Germany that were obtained from any of the following animals:



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- cow, bull, sheep, goat, deer, camel, llama, alpaca, guanaco, vicuna, any other ruminant, any swine (that is, a member of the suborder Suina of the order Artiodactyla), elephant or rodent (other than a pet rodent).

8. If an importer wishes to import these types of products, they must now apply to CIT using an IV58 application form. A specific import authorisation will be issued subject to a satisfactory assessment of the application.

Research and diagnostic samples from Germany

9. Traders can continue to import research and diagnostic samples from Germany in accordance with the conditions found in [Import of research and diagnostic samples - Import Information Note \(IIN\) ABP/30 - GOV.UK](#).
10. In line with current guidance, from 1 February 2025, all imports of research and diagnostic samples from EU and EFTA member states, including Germany, will be required to meet the import conditions in general import authorisation [IMP-GEN-2024-13](#), which must accompany the consignment.

Actions for OVSS

11. To note the content of this OVS note.

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