

EXD637(GB)

Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

The Bluetongue Regulations 2008 (as amended) – Regulation 13 and 15 (2)  
Movement of Animals (Restrictions) (England) Order 2002 (as amended) – Article 5A

**General licence for the movement of live animals originating from the bluetongue restricted zone from a sale or collection centre to a final destination during a Seasonal Vector Low Period and Low Transmission Period**

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 below, the movement of animals originating from within a bluetongue restricted zone via a sale or collection direct to a destination premises in England, Scotland or Wales to live.

The movements referred to in article 5A(4) and (5) of the Movement of Animals (Restrictions) (England) Order 2002 (as amended) (“the Order”) are also permitted by this licence, subject to compliance with the conditions in the Schedule (and without prejudice to any movement restrictions having effect under the Regulations).

This licence revokes the following licence with effect from 14:00 on 07/04/2025

EXD637 valid from 16:00 on 24/01/2025

This licence is valid from 14:00 on 07/04/2025

Veterinary Inspector

Signed by: Sarah Lloyd

Date: 14:00 on 07/04/2025

Veterinary Inspector appointed by Secretary of State.

## Schedule of Conditions

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Any person moving an animal under the authority of this licence must comply with the following conditions:

1. The market or collection centre representative must:
  - Endorse Box 1 confirming that all animals moved to the premises from a bluetongue restricted zone and travelling under this licence arrived with a valid licence EXD632 confirming a negative PCR test result was obtained for each animal or the animal was exempt from testing and
    - negative serology test result for antibodies to the bluetongue virus for any cattle which are in the third trimester of pregnancy

OR

  - Endorse Box 2 confirming that the animals sold originated from a premises outside of the Restricted Zone and are exempt from pre-movement testing .
2. The movement of animals authorised by this licence shall be from a sale or collection located in England, Scotland or Wales direct to a premises located in England, Scotland or Wales.
3. The destination premises must not be under bluetongue premises level restriction.
4. The licensee must notify the market or collection centre operator of the accurate final destination for the animals moved under this licence.
5. The keeper must accurately record the animal movements from the market or collection centre to the final destination on the relevant animal movement platform including the animal identification number.
6. 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 or other animal at the premises displays signs that may be indicative of bluetongue infection:
  - a. This must be reported to APHA immediately
  - b. The animal must be isolated from the rest of the herd/flock; and
  - c. The movement of that animal shall not take place.
7. Once the animals are loaded and the journey has commenced, animals must not be unloaded until arrival at the destination premises.
8. 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
9. The licensee must inform the market or collection centre operator of the accurate final destination premises of the animals being moved. The licensee must also inform the market of any amendments to the final destination premises.
10. The licensee must retain, for a minimum period of 2 years records of:
  - a. The number of animals moved,

- b. The identification numbers of the animals moved,
- c. Accurate final destination premises of the animals moved.

11. 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 (the market),
- e. The name and address of the consignee, and
- f. The name, address and CPH number of the premises of destination.

12. The licensee must ensure that the relevant individuals at the destination premises are aware that the animals moved under authority of this licence have either:

- a. originated from a bluetongue restricted zone,
- b. attended a sale in the bluetongue restricted zone.

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**Box 1 (Strike through if not applicable)**

I, the market or collection centre representative, confirm that animals in the lots listed below and being moved under this licence and originated from the restricted zone all complied with the conditions of EXD632.

Animal Lot number/s:

Signature:

Name (Printed):

Role:

Date:

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**Box 2 (Strike through if not applicable)**

I, the market or collection centre representative, confirm that animals in the lots listed below and being moved under this licence originated from outside of the restricted zone (free-area) and are exempt from pre-movement testing.

Animal Lot number/s:

Signature:

Name (Printed):

Role:

Date:

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**Notes**

- 1. 'The relevant authority' means the Secretary of State in England
- 2. "The Regulations" means the Bluetongue Regulations 2008 (as amended)

3. "The Order" means the Movement of Animals (Restrictions) (England) Order 2002 (as amended)
4. "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 llamas and alpacas.
5. A "bluetongue restricted zone" means a Restricted Zone (RZ under regulations 13 and 13A of the Regulations.
6. "PCR" means Polymerase Chain Reaction
7. "Sale or Collection" means a sale or collection defined as an animal gathering under the Animal Gatherings Order 2010 at a market premises or collection centre licenced under article 5(1) of the Animal Gatherings Order 2010, or the equivalent in Scotland or Wales.
8. "Licensee" means buyer of the animals or person moving animals under this licence.
9. This licence is only permitted during the Seasonal Vector Low Period or the Low Transmission Period.
10. Multiple drop offs are permitted during the seasonally vector low period.
11. 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.
12. All requirements of the Disease Control (England) Order 2003 (as amended) (SI No.1729) and licences under that Order must be met.
13. All movements are subject to the animal being properly identified in compliance with the current livestock identification regulations for the species and accompanied by the appropriate duly completed movement documentation. Movements must comply with routine movement standstill and reporting requirements.
14. 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.
15. Record keeping systems must be in place to ensure that all movements can be traced from the source premises to the destination premises.
16. If you suspect notifiable disease in England, you must report this immediately to Defra Rural Services Helpline on 03000 200 301. If you suspect notifiable disease in Wales, you must report this immediately to the Animal and Plant Health Agency on 03003 038 268. If you suspect notifiable disease in Scotland you report this immediately to the Local Animal and Plant Health Agency Field Services team.
17. All other relevant legislation must be complied with.
18. 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 of a licence granted under the Bluetongue Regulations 2008 (as amended) is 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.**