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EXPORT OF PROCESSED FISH OIL FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM TO AUSTRALIA - 6959EHC

**NOTES FOR THE GUIDANCE OF THE EXPORTER AND OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN/
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER**

Associated Documents: 6959EHC

IMPORTANT

These notes provide guidance to Official Veterinarians (OV) and exporters. The NFG should have been issued to you together with export certificate 6959EHC. The NFG should not be read as a standalone document but in conjunction with certificate 6959EHC. 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**

Export health certificate 6959EHC may be used for the export of processed fish oil to Australia

2. **CERTIFICATION BY AN OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN (OV)**

This certificate may be signed by a Local Veterinary Inspector appointed by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra), Scottish Government - Rural Directorate, Welsh Government, Department for Rural Affairs, or an Authorised Veterinary Inspector (AVI) appointed by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Northern Ireland (DARDNI), who is an Official Veterinarian (OV) on the appropriate panel for export purposes. OVs/AVIs should sign and stamp the health certificate with the OV/AVI stamp in any colour **OTHER THAN BLACK**.

A certified copy of the completed certificate must be sent to AHVLA Specialist Service Centre - Exports in Carlisle, within seven days of issue.

The OV/AVI should keep a copy for his/her own records.

3. **IMPORT PERMIT**

This certificate may be signed on the basis of a valid Australian Department of Agriculture Fisheries and Forestry (DAFF) import permit.

The certifying veterinarian must ensure that the health conditions to be certified are in accordance with the import conditions contained in the import permit.

4. **EVIDENCE AND DECLARATION**

i. Compliance with processing standards detailed in paragraph IV. a) may be certified on the basis of:

- knowledge of the production process operating in the establishment; and
- checks on company records of processing, quality control checks, etc. for the batches certified; and
- in the case of OV certification, on the basis of supplementary supporting evidence provided by the responsible Environmental Health Officer.

ii. Paragraph IV. b) should be populated to reflect any further requirements that might be specified in the import permit issued. If there are no additional matters to be certified, delete as appropriate.

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 AHVLA Specialist Service Centre - Exports, in Carlisle, via the link below:

<http://animalhealth.defra.gov.uk/about/contact-us/tradeexports.html>