EXPORT OF PRIMATES TO BELGIUM

NOTES FOR GUIDANCE (NFG) FOR OFFICIAL VETERINARIANS AND EXPORTERS

IMPORTANT: The 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)

This document should not be read as a standalone document but in conjunction with 9087EHC.

Scope of the certificate

This certificate may be issued for the export of Primates to Belgium, intended for a confined establishment in accordance with Article 4 point 48 of Regulation (EU) 2016/429 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 Belgian 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 for Part I of the certificates should be followed i.e. Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/2235 Chapter 4 Annex I.

Entry BCP

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Official designation number of the BCP should be used, list for reference provided here: Designated Border Control Posts (BCPs) (europa.eu)).

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 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

Diseases specified in the certificate that require establishment freedom only

(In this scenario, OVs do not have to approach CITC and must establish the disease freedom themselves.)

Point II. A. c) - Disease clearance for Tuberculosis (TB) - the Belgian authority will accept establishment level clearance as GB does not operate a system of movement restriction zones or emergency measures.

Point II. A. b) ii. - No cases of TB, rabies and Ebola must have been reported at the establishment in the period 2 years prior to export.

For diseases that require disease freedom attestations at the level of the establishment of origin/departure (within the boundaries), OVs should check establishment records, [check

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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. For diseases that are on National lists, see below.

Check official UK listing for freedom

For national and regional freedom of diseases first check the official sources of disease information for the United Kingdom.

- the Notifiable Disease Occurrence List for Great Britain (ET171) available on the 'Exports > Certification Procedures' page of the APHA Vet Gateway (link below),
- the UK Status for Non-Notifiable Diseases Relevant to Export Certification (ET152) available on the 'Exports > Certification Procedures' page of the APHA Vet Gateway, (link below).

http://apha.defra.gov.uk//External OV Instructions/Export In structions/Certification Procedures/index.htm

These listings are the basis on which the diseases listed there, can be certified. However, the recent occurrence of a disease in the territory of Great Britain does not necessarily preclude certification and may need to be subject to an NDC issued by Carlisle Centre for International Trade (see below).

A final check of disease freedom status (for diseases not issued on an NDC) on the day of certification is required.

Zonal freedom / no restriction by listed diseases or diseases subject to emergency measures, affecting the species being exported

Point II. A c) refers (with exception of Tuberculosis - see under the Point 1 above)

The certifying OV must determine which listed diseases are relevant to the animal being exported according to the attestation in the certificate.

Official veterinarians must reference the WOAH Code at Terrestrial Code Online Access - WOAH - World Organisation for Animal Health

Check both the species specific and the multiple species diseases, infections and infestations, as listed.

OVs do not have to approach CITC if the ET171 and/or ET152 confirm disease freedom from the listed diseases are listed. Please establish freedom yourselves according to the published lists.

For diseases that are not in the official lists or that are listed but may have occurred within the time frame or radial area, which the EHC stipulates please contact the Centre for International Trade, Carlisle (CITC). Contact them by email: processingteam@apha.gov.uk and provide the following information:

- For diseases that require clearance beyond the level of the local establishment, i.e. a local radial area, regional or national freedom, not possible from the lists above, please request clearance from the Centre for International Trade, Carlisle (CITC). Contact them by email: processingteam@apha.gov.uk, which should be done after the exporter has applied for this certificate on EHC Online:
 - o include the case number for the export application,
 - o the disease(s) for which clearance is(are) required,
 - o the radial area or territory requirements in relation to the location of the animals.

Please allow plenty of time, especially for tuberculosis freedoms, prior to the export certification target date.

In the event of a disease outbreak that OVs become aware of, after the EHC has been issued that affects the disease clearance, OVs must not certify the EHC and must contact CITC immediately for advice on whether certification can still take place. If a disease outbreak affects the OV disease clearance procedures for this EHC, a 618NDC will be reinstated by CITC which will be issued with the EHC until a time when OV disease clearance can be reinstated.