

EXPORT OF REPTILES TO THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM

NOTES FOR THE GUIDANCE OF THE OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN (OV) AND EXPORTER

IMPORTANT

These notes provide guidance to Official Veterinarians (OVs) and exporters. The NFG should have been issued to you together with export certificate 8925EHC. The NFG should not be read as a standalone document but in conjunction with certificate 8925EHC. 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 OF THE CERTIFICATE

This certificate may be used for the export of reptiles and reptile products from the United Kingdom to the Republic of Korea.

Where several species are exported under the same certificate, the scientific name and quantity of each individual species must be included accurately. This is because large quantities are often exported and often more than the number listed on the certificate causing quarantine problems.

2. CERTIFICATION BY AN OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN (OV)

This certificate may be signed by an Official Veterinarian appointed by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra), Scottish Government, Welsh Government, or an Authorised Veterinary Inspector (AVI) appointed by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA), 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 the issuing office (in GB – Animal and Plant Health Agency, Customer Service Centre, Carlisle) within seven days of signing.

3. Import permit

Paragraph III (c) refers. Obtaining an import permit: the exporter/agent should be aware of the requirements of the importing country particularly with respect to the requirement for an import permit. Where an import permit is required, the OV should they obtain a copy for their records.

4. C.I.T.E.S

Paragraph III (e) refers. This certificate does not provide exemption from other legislation laid down for the protection or conservation of certain wild species, e.g. the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (C.I.T.E.S.). Information about the necessary requirements may be obtained from the Department at the following address:

Wildlife Licensing and Registration Service
APHA Customer Service Centre (Bristol),
Floor 3, Horizon House Floor, Deanery Road,
Bristol, BS1 5AH
Tel: 0117 372 3700
e-mail: wildlife.licencing@apha.gsi.gov.uk

6. **Health information**

Paragraph IV refers. The OV must carry out a examination of the animals and / or their products 48 hours prior to export and no clinical signs of infectious disease were identified.

7. **WELFARE**

Welfare conditions during transport are laid down by Council Regulation EC 1/2005, implemented in England by The Welfare of Animals (Transport) (England) Order 2006, and parallel legislation in Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland.

Exporters must comply with the British welfare laws relating to the export of animals. If transported by air, animals should be transported in accordance with International Air Transport Association (IATA) standards. Information about the necessary requirements may be obtained from the Animal Welfare Team at any of the offices mentioned below:

**ENGLAND,
SCOTLAND
AND WALES**

Customer Service Centre, Animal and Plant Health Agency, Eden Bridge House, Lowther Street, Carlisle, CA3 8DX.
Tel: 01228 403600 / Fax 01228 591900 /
E-mail: CentralOps.carlisle@apha.gsi.gov.uk

**NORTHERN
IRELAND**

Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs, Northern Ireland, Animal Welfare Section, Dundonald House, Upper Newtownards Road, Belfast, BT4 3SB. Tel: 028 9052 4580 / Fax 028 9052 5012

8. **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 APHA Customer Service Centre, in Carlisle, via the link below.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/animal-and-plant-health-agency/about/access-and-opening#specialist-service-centres-ssc>