EXPORT OF ANIMALS OF THE PORCINE SPECIES FOR BREEDING OR PRODUCTION TO THE ISLE OF MAN

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## Notes for Guidance of Official Veterinarians and Exporters

Associated Documents: 6964EHC

## 1. Scope

This certificate must be used for pigs for breeding or production exported from the premises of origin to their destination in the Isle of Man. One certificate should be issued for each consignment of animals, i.e. for animals travelling from one premises of origin to the same place of destination in one vehicle (a lorry with separate trailer counts as two vehicles).

These Notes for Guidance (NFG) are not intended to operate as a standalone document but to be read in conjunction with certificate 6964EHC and with the appropriate checklist which can be found at <a href="http://www.defra.gov.uk/animal-trade/eu/traces/traces-support-documents/traces-support-documents-pigs">http://www.defra.gov.uk/animal-trade/eu/traces/traces-support-documents-pigs</a>

Exporters are strongly advised to verify the requirements of the importing country by contacting the veterinary authorities in Isle of Man, or their representatives in the UK, in advance of each consignment.

# 2. Certification by an Official Veterinarian (OV)

All animals to be exported must have remained on the holding of origin for a continuous period of 30 days or since birth. Official Veterinarians (OVs) should obtain a written declaration form the owner/owner's agent which includes the information set out in paragraph V. 2 of 6964EHC.

This certificate remains valid for 10 days following the date of the health inspection carried out in the premises of origin and referred to in section III (b) of 6964 EHC.

Paragraphs V. 3. & 5 of 6964EHC. And sections 5, 6, 9 & 13 on the checklist can be certified based on a 618 NDC issued by the Specialist Service Centre for International Trade, Carlisle

Paragraph V. 4 of 6964EHC. The Official Veterinarian should be familiar with Directive 64/432/EEC (as amended) in respect of the requirements relating to intra-Union trade. The applicable conditions will have been met and this section can be certified if all the answers to the checklist, are 'Yes'.

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 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 the AHVLA Specialist Service Centre - International Trade by email or fax on the day of signing. The OV/AVI should keep a copy for his/her own records. The required details of this certificate have to be entered onto the TRACES system by the SSC on the day of issuing the certificate or, at the latest, within 24 hours thereof.

#### 3. Disclaimer

The 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—International Trade, Carlisle via the link below:

http://www.defra.gov.uk/ahvla-en/imports-exports/international-trade/

## 4. 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 UK 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.

Further information on OIE and IATA transport recommendations may be obtained from the following offices;

England, Scotland & Wales
Specialist Service Centre - International Trade - at Carlisle, via the link below:

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

Northern Ireland Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Northern Ireland, Dundonald House, Upper Newtownards Road, Ballymiscaw, Belfast, BT4

DARD Helpline number 0300 200 7852

DARD Helpline email dardhelpline@dardni.gov.uk

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