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## EXPORT OF MEAT PRODUCTS (NON BOVINE) TO BAHRAIN - 1774EHC

## NOTES FOR THE GUIDANCE OF THE OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN

- 1. Paragraph IV 1. and 2. may be certified on the basis of oval marks or commercial documents from EU countries, or export health certificates in the case of third countries, demonstrating that the meat from which the products were derived originated at a slaughterhouse approved in accordance with EU Regulations (EC) 853/2004 and 854/2004 and, in the case of meat produced before 01/01/2006, Directive 64/433/EEC.
- 2. Paragraph IV 3. may be certified on the basis of oval marks which demonstrate compliance with EU Regulations (EC) 853/2004 and 854/2004, and Transitional Arrangements under which stocks produced in accordance with Council Directive 77/99/EC, as implemented in GB by the Meat Products (Hygiene) Regulations 1994.
- 3. Paragraph IV 4. the Sheep & Goats Encephalopathy Order 1998 requires that any sheep or goats suspected of being affected with scrapie are compulsorily slaughtered and the carcasses disposed of by incineration.
- 4. Paragraph IV 5 may be certified on the basis of the following:
  - The Food Standards Agency, in association with the UK environmental agencies, monitors food and the environment in the UK. They publish an annual report Radioactivity in food and the Environment which summarises the results of monitoring. The results of these monitoring supports the conclusion set out in the paragraph.
- 5. Paragraph IV 6. can be certified on behalf of the Department by an Official Veterinarian provided written authority to do so on form 618NDC has been obtained from the issuing office within 10 days of shipment.
- 6. This certificate may be signed by an Official Veterinarian appointed by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, the Scottish Executive Environment and Rural Affairs Department or the National Assembly for Wales who is on the appropriate panel for export purposes. OVs should affix the OV stamp to the certificate in the normal manner.
- 7. A copy of the certificate should be sent to the Divisional Veterinary Manager on the day of issue.

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