

VETERINARY CERTIFICATE FOR SHEEP/GOAT INTESTINES/STOMACH (CLEANSED-
UNTREATED) INTENDED FOR IMPORT INTO THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY FOR EXPORT -
8001EHC

NOTES FOR THE GUIDANCE OF OFFICIAL VETERINARIANS AND EXPORTERS

IMPORTANT

These notes provide guidance to Official Veterinarians (OVs) and exporters and should have been issued together with export certificate 8001EHC. These Notes for Guidance (NFG) are not intended to operate as a standalone document but in conjunction with certificate 8001EHC.

OVs AND EXPORTERS ARE ADVISED THAT CERTIFICATE 8001EHC HAS NOT BEEN FORMALLY AGREED WITH THE AUTHORITIES IN THE IMPORTING COUNTRY. ACCORDINGLY, USE OF 8001EHC FOR EXPORT TO THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY IS AT THE EXPORTER'S RISK.

Exporters are therefore strongly advised to verify the requirements of the importing country by contacting the veterinary authorities, or their representatives in the UK, in advance of each consignment. They should attempt to obtain an import permit and check this certificate against the requirements of the import permit.

If the health requirements do not match or no import permit is available, the exporter may choose to proceed with the export using certificate 8001EHC, however this decision and any consequences thereof are taken strictly at the exporter's own risk.

1. SCOPE OF THE CERTIFICATE

Export health certificate 8001EHC may be used for the export from the United Kingdom to the Republic of Turkey of cleansed untreated intestines/stomach derived from sheep/goats of United Kingdom origin only. Please also refer to paragraph 5 (I.19) of these notes for a description of the commodity to be exported under the Harmonised System (HS) code.

Exporters and certifying OVs must take particular note of the information on disclaimers at paragraph 9.

2. IMPORT PERMIT

Prior to making arrangements to export, exporters are advised to contact the veterinary authorities in the Republic of Turkey for up to date information on requirements for any import documentation.

3. CERTIFICATION BY AN OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN (OV)

In Great Britain, this certificate may be signed by a Veterinary Officer of the Department or by an authorised Official Veterinarian (OV) appointed to the appropriate panel for export purposes by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra), the Scottish Government or the Welsh Government, or who holds the appropriate Official Controls Qualification (Veterinary) (OCQ(V)) authorisation.

In Northern Ireland, this certificate may be signed by an Authorised Veterinary Inspector (AVI) appointed as an OV to the appropriate export panel for export purposes by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA).

OVs must sign and stamp the health certificate with the OV stamp in ink of any colour other than black.

A certified copy of the completed certificate must be sent to the Animal Plant and Health Agency (APHA) Centre for International Trade (CIT) at Carlisle within seven days of signing, or in the case of Northern Ireland to DAERA, Dundonald House, Belfast.

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

4. **FORMAT OF THE CERTIFICATE**

In accordance with the requirements of the Veterinary Authorities of the Republic of Turkey, the layout and numbering of certificate 8001EHC follow the template of Intra-Trade Animal Health Certificates (ITAHCs) produced by the Trade Control and Expert System (TRACES).

5. **COMPLETION OF PART I - DETAILS OF DISPATCHED CONSIGNMENT**

OVs should also refer to the Notes section immediately following Section II.2 of the certificate.

I.3. - Central Competent Authority

Enter 'Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs'

I.4. - Local Competent Authority

Enter the name of the local office of APHA or DAERA in whose administrative area the establishment from where the commodity to be dispatched is located.

I.7. - Country ISO Codes

ISO 3166 is the International Standard for country codes and codes for their subdivisions.

The ISO Code for the whole of the United Kingdom is 'GB' and this should be entered at Box I.7. Both sections of Box I.8 should be marked N/A (not applicable).

The ISO Code for the Republic of Turkey is 'TR' and is entered at Box I.9.

I.11. - Place of Origin

Enter the details of the dispatch establishment in this box.

I.15. - Identification

The registration number of transport vehicles, flight number or name of the vessel must be provided. In case of unloading and reloading, the consignor must inform the point of entry into the Republic of Turkey.

I.19. - Commodity (HS) Code

The Harmonised System (HS) Code is a commodity classification system in which articles are grouped into various categories. It is used as a basis for customs tariffs and for international trade statistics.

The HS Code to be entered in this box for the commodity to be exported is **0504** (guts, bladders and stomachs of animals (other than fish), whole and pieces thereof, fresh, chilled, frozen, salted, in brine, dried or smoked).

Further advice on use of HS Codes can be found from the website www.hscode.org or by contacting the APHA CIT at Carlisle.

I.20. - Quantity

Indicate total gross weight and total net weight.

I.28. - Identification of the Commodities

Enter the approval number of the manufacturing plant under the appropriate heading.

6. OFFICIAL DISEASE CLEARANCES

Paragraph II.1(a) may be certified on behalf of the Department provided written authority to do so has been obtained on form 618NDC from the APHA CIT at Carlisle or the issuing office of DAERA in Northern Ireland.

7. TSE STATEMENTS - SCRAPIE

Paragraphs II.1(b) and II.1(j) may be certified on the basis of compliance with TSE legislation (Regulation (EC) No. 999/2001, as transposed into national legislation).

The UK competent authorities (Defra, the Devolved Administrations and the Food Standards Agency) ensure compliance with the legislation.

8. PUBLIC HEALTH ATTESTATION - SECTION II.2.

The United Kingdom remains a controlled BSE risk in accordance with the OIE Terrestrial Code. OVs should therefore delete all of Section A and all of Section C of the Public Health Attestation.

The statement at paragraph II.2.B.3. may be certified on the basis of compliance with TSE legislation (Regulation (EC) No. 999/2001, as transposed into national legislation).

9. DISCLAIMER

Whereas 8001EHC takes into account recommendations by the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) for trade in this commodity, exporters and certifying OVs are advised that the certificate has not been officially agreed with the authorities of the Republic of Turkey.

It is the responsibility of the exporter to check the certificate against any relevant import permit or any advice provided by the competent authority in the importing country if these are available. If official advice is provided by authorities in the importing country or an import permit provided, the exporter must copy these to the APHA CIT at Carlisle when applying for the certificate.

If the advice or the permit do not match the assurances provided on 8001EHC, the exporter should contact the APHA CIT at Carlisle via the link below or, in the case of Northern Ireland, DAERA at Dundonald House, Belfast for further advice.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/animal-and-plant-health-agency/about/access-and-opening#centre-for-international-trade-carlisle>