



## TRADER NOTICE – IMPORTATION OF ANIMAL PRODUCTS INTO IRELAND FROM THE UK IN THE CASE OF A NO-DEAL BREXIT.

### Context – Brexit

As the UK has voted to leave the EU, it will become a ‘Third Country’ (non-EU Member State) from the date of withdrawal. From the date the United Kingdom exits the European Union, the introduction of animal products from the UK into the EU will be subject to veterinary controls at the point of entry in to European Union.

If you are an importer of animal products from the UK which are subject to veterinary controls, you are required to comply with the import conditions as laid down in EU legislation. (Importers are also encouraged to familiarise themselves with relevant Revenue requirements).

In the event of a No-Deal Brexit, these rules come into effect on **29<sup>th</sup> March 2019.**

### 1) **What You Should Do Now**

#### **A. Establish whether the animal product you are importing from the UK into Ireland is subject to veterinary controls**

The animal products subject to veterinary controls at Border Inspection Posts are listed in Commission Decision 2007/275/EC

See: <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02007D0275-20170101&from=EN>

#### **B. Register with the Department of Agriculture Food and the Marine (DAFM)**

Prior to importing animal products into Ireland, **the person responsible for the load** is required to register with the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine’s Corporate Customer System (CCS).

To receive a CCS registration form please contact:

[BrexitRegistration@agriculture.gov.ie](mailto:BrexitRegistration@agriculture.gov.ie)

#### **C. Register for access to TRACES**

The person responsible for the load will also need access to the online system ‘TRACES.’

To register for access to TRACES, please contact:

[BrexitRegistration@agriculture.gov.ie](mailto:BrexitRegistration@agriculture.gov.ie)

\*Please note the person responsible for the load is responsible for making the necessary declarations (including customs declarations) to the competent authorities on behalf of the importer. **In most circumstances this will be a customs agent working on behalf of the importer** (as opposed to the importer him/herself).



## 2) What You Need to do Prior to Import of Animal Products Subject to Veterinary Controls

### A. Obtain a Veterinary Health Certificate for the regulated commodity in the UK prior to export.

If the animal product is subject to veterinary controls under Council Directive 2007/275/EC, the consignment will need to be officially certified by the competent authority of the UK as having met the relevant animal health and public health conditions to make it eligible for import into the EU. An EU model veterinary health certificate will be provided by UK Authorities to the importer to show that these conditions have been met.

### B. Provide advance notification of import to DAFM

A minimum of 24 hours' notice pre-notification is required by DAFM prior to the importation of animal product imports.

1. The person responsible for the load gives pre-notification by submission of Part 1 of the Common Veterinary Entry Document (CVED-P) through the online TRACES system
2. Scanned copies of other supporting documentation associated with the consignment should be submitted at this time as well such as:
  - **The veterinary health certificate**
  - The packing list
  - The commercial invoice

\*Please note that although a scanned copy of the health certificate must be submitted prior to the consignment's arrival into the EU territory, **the original hard copy of the health certificate must travel with the consignment.** This will be checked on arrival at the Border Inspection Post.

## 3) What happens when the consignment arrives into Ireland

### A. Points of Import

Animal product imports subject to veterinary controls from Third Countries can only be imported through approved Border Inspection Points (BIPs). There are currently two approved BIPs for animal products:

- 1) **Dublin Port:** Approved for packed animal products for human consumption & all other animal products not for human consumption
- 2) **Shannon Airport:** Approved for packed animal products for human consumption & packed animal products not for human consumption
- 3) **Rosslare Port:** Approval for a designated BIP has been sought from the European Commission to be operational by 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019

### B. DAFM Inspection & Release of the Commodity.

DAFM veterinary inspection involves a documentary, identity and, in certain instances, a physical check of the consignment. If all is found to be compliant, the inspector informs Customs that the veterinary inspection has been satisfactory and Customs may green route the consignment for onward movement.

**Note: The consignment remains under Customs control for the duration of the inspection.**

### Queries

Queries in relation to any aspect of the importation of animal products should be sent to:

[BrexitCall@agriculture.gov.ie](mailto:BrexitCall@agriculture.gov.ie)