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Import of Animal By-Products to be Fed to Fur Animals

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1. General Information

This Import Information Note (IIN) must be read in conjunction with the IIN for general information for imports of animal by-products (ABP), which provides information on pre-notifications, veterinary checks, risk categories etc.

[General information for imports of animal by-products \(ABP\) \(defra.gov.uk\)](https://defra.gov.uk)

References to European Union (EU) legislation within this document are references to direct EU Legislation which has been assimilated in Great Britain (assimilated direct

legislation), as defined in the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 and can be viewed on the UK legislation website (legislation.gov.uk).

2. Scope

Import conditions for animal by-products to be fed to fur animals.

Animal by-products to be fed to fur animals may be manufactured from Category 3 material referred to in Article 10(a) and Article 10(b)(i) and (ii) of [Regulation \(EC\) 1069/2009](#).

3. Production standards

Animal by-products to be fed to fur animals must have been produced and stored in accordance with the requirements of Annex XIII, Chapters I and II and Section 8 of Annex XIV, Chapter II of [Regulation \(EU\) 142/2011](#).

The animal by-products must have been deep-frozen at the plant of origin or have been preserved in accordance with legislation in such a way to prevent spoiling between dispatch and delivery to the establishment or plant of destination.

They must be packed in new packaging preventing any leakage or in packaging which has been cleaned and disinfected before use. Effective steps must be taken to ensure that the product is not exposed to contamination throughout the production chain and up to the point of sale.

The animal by-products must have undergone all precautions to avoid contamination with pathogenic agents.

4. Country of origin

Imports are permitted from trading partners listed in a document published by the Secretary of State, with the consent of the Scottish and Welsh Ministers for:

- [Non-EU countries](#)
- [EU and EFTA countries](#)

In the case of meat, must come from countries listed in the documents for:

- Fresh meat of ungulates; or
- Poultry and poultry products

from which imports of fresh meat from the same species and where only bone-in meat is authorised.

In the case of fish materials must come from countries listed in Annex II to [Regulation \(EU\) 2019/626](#).

5. Approved establishments

Products must be produced in an establishment approved to export to Great Britain. Importers should check prior to importation that the premises are listed on the correct list.

Consolidated lists of approved establishments/plants are available on:

- data.gov.uk for **non-EU countries**
- and [here](#) for **EU Countries**

If the establishment or plant is not listed, importers are urged to contact the company concerned, who should contact their competent authority immediately. If the plant is not included on the appropriate list when veterinary checks are carried out the consignment is likely to be held and could be rejected and re-exported or destroyed.

6. Health certification/documentation

Imports to Great Britain must be accompanied by the appropriate health certificate (*), which can be found on GOV.UK.

The health certificates are based on the requirements included in Annex XV, Chapter 3(D) of [Regulation \(EU\) 142/2011](#).

[Petfood: model health certificates - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

(*) Please note that this requirement will be introduced for animal products from EU and EFTA countries in the high and medium risk categories from 31st January 2024. Further information regarding risk categories can be found at the link below.

[Import risk categories for animals and animal products imported from the EU to Great Britain, from 31 January 2024 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

7. Labelling requirements

The material must be packed in final packaging which bear labels indicating 'ANIMAL BY-PRODUCTS FOR FEED FOR FUR ANIMALS – NOT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION' and then in leak-proof and officially sealed boxes/containers or in new packaging preventing any leakage and officially sealed boxes/containers which bear labels indicating 'ANIMAL

BY-PRODUCTS FOR FEED FOR FUR ANIMALS – NOT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION’ and the name and the address of the establishment of destination.

8. Monitoring of the products to an approved premises

Following the veterinary checks provided for in [Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2019/1715](#), and in accordance with the conditions laid down in [Delegated Regulation \(EU\) 2019/1666](#), the animal by-products must be transported directly from the BCP under Customs procedures to an establishment as laid down in Section 8 point 4. of Annex XIV, Chapter II of [Regulation \(EU\) 142/2011](#).

9. Contact for further information

For further information regarding import requirements, contact the Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA) Imports team:

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