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Composite Products Decision Tree

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Summary

The decision tree is a quick and easy way for exporters to determine whether their product is classed as a composite product.

Exporters should be aware that the decision tree is **not** an end to end guide for the entire exporter process.

This decision tree explains the EU's process for identifying what certificate a product needs from the 21 April 2021.

The EU's legislation provides for a phased approach.

- if you export a composite product that currently requires an EHC you will be able to keep using the current EHC until August 2021, or use the new documentation
- if your product does not currently require an EHC, but under the new rules will need one, you will need to use the new composite EHC from 21 April 2021
- composite products that are currently exempt from certification, but under the new rules will need a private attestation, will need to use this document from 21 April 2021

For additional information please read [this explanation](#) of the Transitional Arrangements from the EU. You may also like to view the EU's decision tree and Q&A [here](#).

How to Use

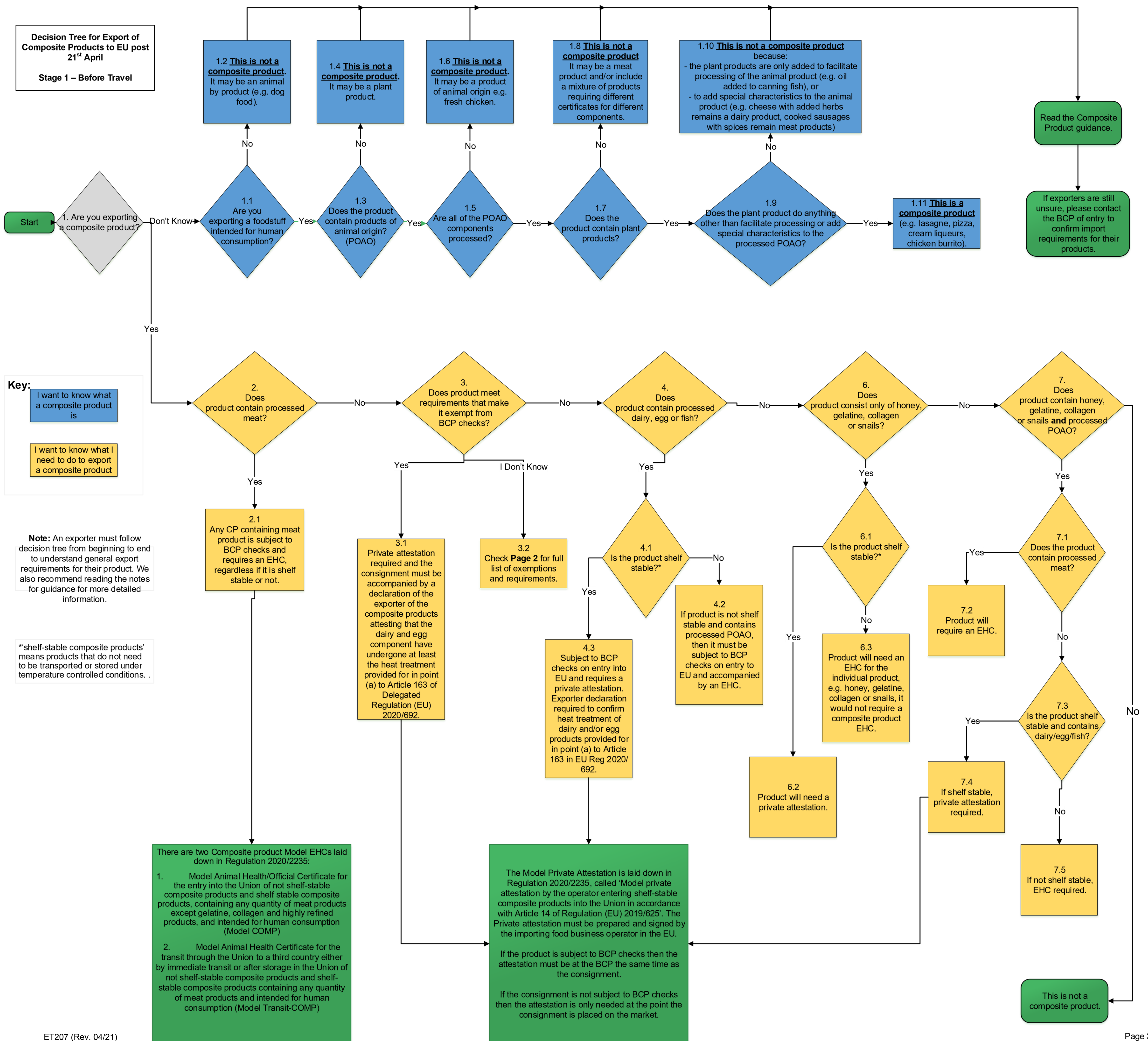
Start at Number 1. If you want to know what a composite product is, follow the **blue diamond-shaped boxes** and the questions will help you to determine your export. If the flowchart shows that you are exporting a non-composite product, please follow the relevant gov.uk guidance.

If you already know that your export is classed as a composite product, follow the **yellow diamond-shaped boxes** to find out the next health requirements to export.

If you are still unsure as to whether your product qualifies as a composite product or not then please contact the relevant BCP of entry to confirm requirements for the product.

Page 4 contains additional information on the composite products exempt from checks at a BCP.

Decision Tree for Export of
Composite Products to EU post
21st April
Stage 1 – Before Travel



Composite Products Subject to Risk-based Border or Destination Checks and Require a Private Attestation

The final **shelf-stable composite products not containing processed meat and listed below** (includes bread, pasta, olives, sweets) are exempt from BCP checks, provided such products meet all of the following requirements:

- composite products that contain dairy products that have been treated with one of the two treatments referred to in column B of Annex XXVII to Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692
- composite products that contain egg products that have been treated with one of the treatments referred to in Annex XXVIII to Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692
- they are identified/labelled as intended for human consumption and
- they are securely packaged or sealed.

If the consignment is not subject to BCP checks then the attestation is only needed at the point the consignment is placed on the market.

CN codes	Explanations
(1)	(2)
ex 1704, ex 1806 20, ex 1806 31 00, ex 1806 32, ex 1806 90 11, ex 1806 90 19, ex 1806 90 31, ex 1806 90 39, ex 1806 90 50	Confectionery (including sweets), chocolate and other food preparations containing cocoa that meet the requirements of Article 3(1)
ex 1902 19, ex 1902 30, ex 1902 40	Pasta, noodles and couscous that meet the requirements of Article 3(1)
ex 1905 10, ex 1905 20, ex 1905 31, ex 1905 32, ex 1905 40, ex 1905 90	Bread, cakes, biscuits, waffles and wafers, rusks, toasted bread and similar toasted products that meet the requirements of Article 3(1)
ex 2001 90 65, ex 2005 70 00, ex 1604	Olives stuffed with fish that meet the requirements of Article 3(1)
ex 2101	Coffee, coffee substitutes, tea or maté extracts,

	essences and concentrates and preparations with a basis of these products or with a basis of coffee, tea or maté that meet the requirements of Article 3(1)
ex 2104	Soup stocks and flavourings packaged for the final consumer that meet the requirements of Article 3(1)
ex 2106	Food supplements packaged for the final consumer, containing processed animal products (including glucosamine, chondroitin or chitosan) that meet the requirements of Article 3(1)
ex 2208 70	Liqueurs and cordials that meet the requirements of Article 3(1)