

## The Export Process

Currently Export Health Certificates are required to export animal products to third countries (outside the EU). In the event of a no deal Brexit the UK would become a third country to the EU and the same process would be required to export animal products to the EU. Under these circumstances further conditions may also apply to products transiting the EU on route to other countries than are currently required.

1. Identify if an export health certificate is required and which certificate
  - a. Animal Health have recently released a tool to help identify the required certificate and supporting documentation. This can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/export-health-certificates>
  - b. Check if you have met the requirements to export your product to its intended destination, contact the Centre for International Trade at Carlisle (part of the Animal and Plant Health Agency) for specific questions. If you cannot find any information specific to your product export may still be possible.
2. Contact us the practice to discuss your requirements and how to proceed with your specific consignment
3. Arrange additional documentation, permits and transportation as required for your consignment
4. Apply to the Centre for International Trade for the export health certificate.
  - a. This is usually done electronically as an editable PDF document and requires you to specify your official veterinarian (OV)
  - b. The export time and date is submitted as part of the process and the export health certificate is sent directly to your OV
5. A suitable time is arranged to visit the site and inspect the products, records and supporting documents as required. This can involve overseeing the loading process
6. Once all conditions are satisfied the export health certificate is signed and stamped with an official stamp. A copy needs to be made for the OV to return to the Centre for International Trade and to retain for their records. The original certificate is retained by you to accompany the export.

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