

## **The Export Process**

Currently Export Health Certificates are required to export most animal products, though there are certain exemptions relating to composite products destined for the EU.

- 1. Identify if an export health certificate is required and which certificate
  - Animal Health have recently released a tool to help identify the required certificate and supporting documentation. This can be found at <a href="https://www.gov.uk/export-health-certificates">https://www.gov.uk/export-health-certificates</a>
  - 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 at 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 through using EHC online, an online government platform to apply for and certify EHC's. However, a number EHC's may still require a EXA07 PDF application emailed to Centre for International Trade.
  - 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 retain for their records. The original certificate is retained by you to accompany the export.