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## Animal Health (Importation of Miscellaneous Goods and Animals) (Jersey) Order 2017

## **CONDITIONS OF IMPORT FOR PIGS**

1. The following documents must accompany the animals at the time of importation:

• 'Export of Pigs for Breeding and Production to Jersey Health Certificate, from the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, (DEFRA), UK or island Authority if from the Bailiwick of Guernsey.

- Import Licence from Infrastructure, Housing and Environment in Jersey.
- 2. The isolation premises must be inspected and approved by the States Veterinary Officer prior to the application for an Import Licence being submitted.
- 3. The animal(s) to be imported must be clearly and permanently identified and comply with national requirements for export in the UK or Island Authority. Tattoos are not acceptable.
- 4. The animal(s) to be imported must be accompanied by an original health certificate including a schedule giving details of the individual ear numbers, breed, sex, and age of animals to which it relates and the registration number of the vehicle in which the animals are being transported to Jersey. The health certificate and schedule must be signed by an Official Veterinarian (OV) appointed by the Animal & Plant Health Agency (APHA) UK or island Authority if from the Bailiwick of Guernsey.
- 5. The transport vehicle must be cleansed to remove all visible organic matter and disinfected with a disinfectant approved by Defra before loading the animals.
- 6. During transport the imported animals must not come into contact with animals that are not certified as being of the same health status.
- 7. The animal health and welfare section of the department must be notified in writing, of the exact date and time of import at least 1 working day prior to arrival. The notification form\* should be emailed to <a href="mailto:Pets@gov.je">Pets@gov.je</a>
- 8. Landing must take place at the Port of St Helier. On arrival the States Veterinary Officer must be informed on the next working day so that an inspection can be arranged.
- 9. Immediately after landing, the imported animals must be removed direct to their approved isolation premises as shown on the import licence.
- 10. All imported animals must be isolated for a period of not less than three weeks prior to release from isolation.

- 11. Release from isolation can only take place following receipt of authorisation from the States Veterinary Officer
- 12. The Import Licence, unless revoked by Infrastructure, Housing and Environment, will remain valid for a period of 3 months from the date of issue and must accompany the imported animals, along with the Health Certificate to the destination premises. Both documents should be retained by the importer for 12 months
- \* a notification form is available from the department or our website
- Notes these notes are not part of the licence
  - 1. Licences granted under the Order must be in writing and may, in addition to any conditions required by the Order, be made subject to such conditions as the Minister considers necessary to protect animal health.
  - 2. Any person to whom a requirement in a licence under the Order applies must:
    - a. comply with the licence requirement, and
    - b. comply with any reasonable requests which an inspector may make of them to ensure the requirement is met.
  - 3. If a person contravenes any provision of the Order or condition of this licence an inspector may take such steps as he or she considers necessary to ensure that the provision is not further contravened or that its requirements are carried out. The Minister may reclaim the cost of any steps so taken from the person who contravened the requirement and enforce the claim as a debt owed to the Minister.
  - 4. The cost of pre-export and post-import disease testing, veterinary certification, post-import isolation and transport will be at the importer's expense.
  - 5. In the case of any non-compliance following post-import checks, it shall be the owner's responsibility to contact the States Veterinary Officer to offer an explanation. Where such an explanation is not satisfactory the consignment may be re-exported or slaughtered and disposed of at the importer's expense.
  - 6. Animals which develop disease or prove positive to tests, carried out during the period of post-import isolation, and all other animals within the isolation group, may be required to be tested, treated or slaughtered and disposed of, as directed by the States Veterinary Officer, at the importer's expense and is not eligible for compensation.

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