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Import of Treated Game Trophies or other Preparations of Animals where a Health Certificate is not required

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1. Important Information

Import Information Notes are technical documents containing import requirements and are for use by importers and veterinary staff.

Please be aware that import conditions may be updated due to changes in policy or legislation. Please ensure that you check the current version of the Import Information Note online.

Importers should note that the information given relates only to animal health and public health conditions of import. It does not give guidance on other conditions that may need to be met.

EU legislation as it stood on 31 December 2020 that the UK already complies with has been incorporated into our domestic law as “retained EU law” under the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018. References in our guidance and certification to such EU instruments should be taken to be references to this “retained EU law”. Our current standards will remain in force, without amendment, in the immediate months after our EU exit as part of UK domestic law (apart from corrections to make the EU legislation fully operable).

You can find further information on legislation, including Relevant EU Exit Statutory Instruments in the legislation section of this import information note.

Please note that any links to legislation provided in this document are for information purposes only and may not be the most recent version.

Further information regarding changes to the import controls from an EU country from 1 January 2021 can be found on GOV.UK at the below link:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/import-animal-by-products-and-high-risk-food-and-feed-not-of-animal-origin-from-the-eu-to-great-britain>

2. Scope

Import conditions for treated game trophies or other preparations of animals where health certification is not required.

These provisions are in relation to animal health rules and are without prejudice to the measures for the protection of wild fauna, adopted pursuant to [Retained EU Regulation 338/97](#).

As stated in Annex XIV, Chapter II, Section 5 point 1 of [Retained EU Regulation 142/2011](#) and Annex XIII, Chapter VI point B and point C.1 of [Retained EU Regulation 142/2011](#), game trophies and other preparations which meet the requirements of safe sourcing (a)

and safe treatment (b) laid down in Annex XIII, Chapter VI, points B and C can be imported without restrictions.

a) Annex XIV, Chapter II, Section 5 point 1 and Annex XIII, Chapter VI point B of [Retained EU Regulation 142/2011](#) states that game trophies or other preparations from animals, where for the preparation the animal by-products have been submitted to a treatment or are presented in a state which does not pose any health risks, may be imported without restrictions, provided they:

(a) are species other than ungulates, birds and animals of the biological class Insecta or Arachnida; and

(b) are animals originating in an area not subject to restrictions as a result of the presence of serious transmissible diseases to which animals of the species concerned are susceptible.

b) As stated in Annex XIV, Chapter II, Section 5 point 1 and Annex XIII, Chapter VI point C.1 of [Retained EU Regulation 142/2011](#) game trophies or other preparations from animals, which have been submitted to a treatment or are presented in a state which does not pose any health risks, may be imported without restrictions, provided they:

(a) originate from ungulates or birds which have undergone a complete taxidermy treatment ensuring their preservation at ambient temperatures;

(b) are mounted ungulates or birds or mounted parts of such animals;

(c) have been subject to an anatomical preparation such as plastination;

(d) are animals of the biological class Insecta or Arachnida which have been subject to a treatment, such as drying, to prevent any transmission of diseases communicable to humans or animals; **or**

(e) are objects in natural history collections or for the promotion of science and they have been:

(i) preserved in media, such as alcohol or formaldehyde, which allow display of the items; **or**

(ii) embedded completely on micro-slides;

(f) are processed DNA samples intended for repositories for the promotion of biodiversity research, ecology, medical and veterinary science or biology.

References to imports into Great Britain in this Import Information Note also includes imports into the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

References to trading partners includes non-EU, EU and EFTA countries. Import requirements from non-EU and EU countries will be differentiated, where required, in this Import Information Note.

Information regarding transits can be found on gov.uk:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/transiting-animals-and-animal-products-through-great-britain>

3. Production standards

The treated game trophies and other preparations must have been obtained, produced and stored in accordance with the requirements of Annex XIV, Chapter II, Section 5 point 1 of [Retained EU Regulation 142/2011](#) and Annex XIII, Chapter VI point B and point C.1 of [Retained EU Regulation 142/2011](#), as above in point 1.2 or 1.3.

4. Country of origin

The products can come from any country.

5. Health certification/documentation

General Authorisation [IMP/GEN/2014/06](#) lays down the import conditions in full for imports of certain processed animal by-products referred to in points 1.a and 1.b above.

6. Veterinary checks

Consignments may be imported via any port or airport in Great Britain. Veterinary checks are not required at the border.

7. Safeguard measures

Emergency safeguard action can be taken at very short notice to prohibit or restrict the importation of certain products from certain countries following an outbreak of disease or a public health issue. Information on the latest updates concerning disease outbreaks which may affect imports into the UK can be found on our Topical Issues page on the website.

Further information on the International and UK monitoring of animal diseases may be found on the animal disease monitoring website.

Importers can get the latest news about exotic notifiable disease outbreaks from the APHA subscription service.

- [Topical issues](#)
- [Animal diseases: international and UK monitoring](#)
- [Exotic notifiable disease outbreak subscription service](#)

8. Legislation.gov.uk

Consolidated legal texts, which integrate the basic instruments of retained EU legislation with their amendments and corrections in a single, non-official document, are available. Each consolidated text contains a list of all legal documents taken into account for its construction.

You can search for consolidated texts by inputting the 'document number' and 'year' and then clicking the option 'All UK Legislation (including originating from the EU)' on [legislation.gov.uk](https://www.legislation.gov.uk).

Once you press 'search', you can find the relevant legislation listed with the full title of the legislation. Once you have selected the legislation, you may see the following message at the top of the page:

"Changes to legislation: There are outstanding changes not yet made to XXX. Those changes will be listed when you open the content using the Table of Contents below. Any changes that have already been made to the legislation appear in the content and are referenced with annotations."

Please note that the consolidated text may not contain the latest amendment to the legislation, as it takes several weeks for this to be updated. EU Exit amendments to legislation may take several months too. We advise to read the legislation alongside the EU Exit amendments made in the below UK laws:

- [The Import of, and Trade in, Animals and Animal Products \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2020](#)
- [The Official Controls \(Animals, Feed and Food, Plant Health etc.\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2020](#)
- [The Official Controls \(Animals, Feed and Food, Plant Health etc.\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2020](#)
- [The Aquatic Animal Health and Alien Species in Aquaculture, Animals, and Marketing of Seed, Plant and Propagating Material \(Legislative Functions and Miscellaneous Provisions\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2020](#)
- [The Animals, Aquatic Animal Health, Invasive Alien Species, Plant Propagating Material and Seeds \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2020](#)
- [The Trade in Animals and Animal Products \(Legislative Functions\) and Veterinary Surgeons \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019](#)

Texts provided in this section are intended for information only. Please note that these texts have no legal value. For legal purposes please refer to the texts published in [legislation.gov.uk](https://www.legislation.gov.uk).

Further information on changes in relation to EU legislation and UK law can be found on legislation.gov.uk. Please continue to use legislation.gov.uk to find EU retained law applicable to Great Britain. Please avoid using the EU Commission website for information on imports into Great Britain.

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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