

DVMs for distribution
Border Inspection Posts (England) – for action
Chief Port Health Officers – for action

cc:

Nominated officers for Imported Food (England)
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Health Protection England

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Dear Colleagues,

RE-ENFORCED CHECKS FOR ALBUMEN

This letter is addressed to Border Inspection Posts and Chief Port Health Officers in England only.

At the Veterinary Checks Working Group on 30th May 2016, the Commission made the meeting aware of a number of points concerning Re-Enforced Checks (REC).

The wording on the REC for albumen has now been changed. The updated wording has been altered to now say:

Labelling for egg products – BIPs do not have to sample consignments, but only check the labelling.

There is no need for BIPs to ask for an exemption if a consignment is a small quantity as they are automatically excluded. For more information on this, the Commission's guidance is here:
http://ec.europa.eu/food/animals/docs/bips_guidance_eu-dir-1997-78_art24.pdf.

Yours sincerely,

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