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

cc:

Nominated officers for Imported Food (England)  
APHA  
CIEH  
APA  
Trading Standards Institute  
Health Protection England

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Dear Colleagues,

## **MODEL CERTIFICATE FOR IMPORTS OF MEAT PREPARATIONS, MEAT PRODUCTS, TREATED STOMACHS, BLADDERS AND INTESTINES**

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

I am writing to let you know that Commission Implementing Decision 2017/622 concerning the model certificate for imports of meat preparations, meat products, treated stomachs, bladders and intestines has been issued. The Decision applied from July 1<sup>st</sup> and can be found here: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32017D0622&rid=4>.

The Decision makes changes to the public health attestations within:

- Annex II to Decision 2000/572/EC with regard to model veterinary certificate for meat preparations
- Annex III to Decision 2007/777/EC with regard to the model veterinary certificate for meat products, treated stomachs, bladders and intestines.

These changes are in relation to the rules for the prevention, control and eradication of certain transmissible spongiform encephalopathies

Until 31 December 2017, there is a transitional period that allows consignments of the concerned products to be imported with the previous certificates provided that they were issued by 30 November 2017.



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To aid compliance by the trade, we respectfully ask that you put reference to these changes on your website.

Yours sincerely,

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