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OVS Note/2018/14

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HARMONISED CHARGES FOR 2019

Purpose

1. To inform BIPs of the rate for harmonised charges in 2019 for veterinary checks on products of animal origin.

Background

2. Council Regulation 882/2004 lays down the minimum harmonised charge in Euros for imports of certain animals products. However it does not set a conversion rate so we are continuing to use the rate published in the first C series Official Journal published in September of the preceding year.
3. The rate which will apply from 1 January 2019 until 29 March 2019 is £0.8974.
4. The rate to be applied from 30 March 2019 when we leave the EU will be confirmed at a later date.
5. The conversion tables for the minimum charge are listed below in the Annex to this note. This rate should also be used for reduced charges in the equivalence agreements.

Action for OVSS

6. To update the minimum fees in line with the annex and to notify stakeholders.

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Annex

A. Minimum harmonised charge in Regulation (EC) No 882/2004

Fresh meat, meat products, poultry meat, wild game meat, rabbit meat, farmed game meat, by-products and feed of animal origin

Minimum fee in Euros	Minimum fee in £(sterling)
€55 per consignment up to 6 tonnes	£49.36
€9 per tonne, up to 46 tonnes	£8.07
€420 per consignment over 46 tonnes	£376.91

Fishery products

Minimum fee in Euros	Minimum fee in £(sterling)
€55 per consignment up to 6 tonnes	£49.36
€9 per tonne, up to 46 tonnes	£8.07
€420 per consignment over 46 tonnes	£376.91

Break bulk consignment of fishery products

Minimum fee in Euros	Minimum fee in £(sterling)
€600 per vessel, up to 500 tonnes	£538.44
€1200 per vessel up to 1000 tonnes	£1,076.88
€2400 per vessel up to 2000 tonnes	£2153.76
€3600 per vessel more than 2000 tonnes	£3230.64

Break bulk consignment of feed of animal origin or by-products

Minimum fee in Euros	Minimum fee in £(sterling)
€600 per vessel, up to 500 tonnes	£538.44
€1200 per vessel up to 1000 tonnes	£1,076.88
€2400 per vessel up to 2000 tonnes	£2153.76
€3600 per vessel more than 2000 tonnes	£3230.64

B. Equivalence Agreements

All products from New Zealand (as above with 22.5% reduction in accordance with Annex VIII of Decision (EU) 2015/1084)¹	
€42.63 per consignment up to 6 tonnes	£38.26
€6.98 per tonne, up to 46 tonnes	£6.26
€326 per consignment over 46 tonnes	£292.55

¹ However, for the transit of goods through the Union, inspection fees shall be applied without the reduction