APHA Briefing Note 02/18

POSTPONEMENT OF REVALIDATION OF OCQ(V) EXPORT RELATED MODULES

Purpose

1. This information note is to notify Official Veterinarians (OVs) due to revalidate their Export Official Controls Qualification (Veterinary) UX, EQ, PX, AX, GX*, that revalidation has been postponed until further notice. This includes the majority of those due to revalidate by March 31st who had been awarded grandfather rights.

Background

2. We have received feedback from OVs on the division of work areas between the export modules and how these match their business model going forward. To address this feedback and take account of the wider context we have agreed with Improve International that the revalidation process should be postponed until later in 2018.

3. Authorised OVs will be able to continue their current duties as normal and a further update will be provided in May 2018.

4. Any OV who has already registered and paid for revalidation will be contacted individually. Please allow time for this process to be managed.

5. Revalidation of other modules will proceed as planned this includes OCQ(V) SS & OCQ(V) TT.

6. Any new OVs may still enrol on the existing OCQ(V)s UX, EQ, PX, AX and GX and be authorised as normal.

Further Information

● If you have any queries please contact Improve International https://www.improve-ov.com/contact
* Full list below of qualifications for which revalidation has been postponed.

- OCQ(V) UX - Ungulate exports
- OCQ(V) EQ - Equine Exports
- OCQ(V) PX - Product Exports
- OCQ(V) AX - Avian Exports
- OCQ(V) GX - Germinal Product Exports

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