



APHA Briefing Note 30/19

An update regarding equine movements as the Government has agreed a three-month Brexit extension with the EU

1. Purpose

To inform Official Veterinarians (OVs) of an update on equine movements as the UK and the European Union have now agreed an extension to the Brexit deadline until 31 January 2020. This means that the UK will not be leaving the EU today (Thursday 31 October 2019).

2. Background

It is still possible that the UK could leave the EU before 31 January 2020 if the UK parliament agrees the Withdrawal Bill, and an agreed deal is in place.

During the extension period up to 31 January 2020, you should continue to move equines as you do now to the EU, using all the current processes and systems in place. There will be no additional checks taking place during this time either in the UK or the EU.

However, it is important that you continue to be aware of what it is that you need to do to get ready for all potential Brexit scenarios during this period.

We will continue to update the relevant guidance on [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk) and to engage with you at regular intervals over the next couple of months to ensure you can stay up to date with what you need to know and actions that you will need to take.

Thank you for your ongoing engagement.

Further Information

If you have any questions about equine movements, please email the EquineExportsCarlisle@apha.gov.uk mailbox or telephone 03000 200 301.

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