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Publication of new certificates for export of Products of Animal Origin (POAO) to the EU.

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Purpose

To notify certifiers of the publication date of new Export Health Certificates (EHCs) for POAO for export to the EU or movement to Northern Ireland (NI) and to advise of the transitional period following their introduction.

Background

The European Commission has published the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/636 amending the Commission Implementing Regulation 2020/2235, this in turn affects a number of POAO EHCs.

Consequently, new certificates will be published on EHC Online (EHCO) on **3 November 2025** for traders to use (see Annex below for the list of EHCs).

Action

- From **3 November 2025**, traders can use the new POAO EHCs for export from GB to the EU or movement to NI.
- The old certificates will continue to be valid for a transitional period until **19 February 2026** providing that the certificate was signed no later than **19 November 2025**.
- The old EHCs must be signed on or before **19 November 2025** or they will not be accepted by EU Border Control Posts (BCPs). Any certificates signed after this date will need to be cancelled in EHCO.

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Notable Changes

- In a number of EHCs, reference to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2023/905 is amended to include a reference to the list of third countries or regions authorised for entry into the Union, in Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/2598. Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/2598 lays down the list of third countries or regions authorised for the entry into the Union of certain animals and products of animal origin intended for human consumption as regards the application of the prohibition on the use of certain antimicrobial medicinal products.
- In the model certificate 'EU-FISH' (EHC 8362) two alternatives of point II.1(c) are struck through. As fishery products from wild catch are excluded from the application of the provisions of Article 6 of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/2292 requiring the third country or region of such fishery products' origin to have a control plan for pharmacologically active substances, pesticides and contaminants, and taking into account that such fishery products are caught by vessels flying the flag of a Member State, the third country where the transfer of fishery products takes place has no responsibility to monitor compliance with Union legislation on contaminants in accordance with Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/915, and on pesticide residues in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 396/2005.
- The model certificate 'HON' (EHC 8391) is amended to include the provision of honey and other apiculture products intended for human consumption to enter the Union only if they were dispatched from, obtained and/or prepared in establishments that appear on the lists drawn up and kept up to date in accordance with Article 127(3), point (e)(ii), of Regulation (EU) 2017/625.
- The model certificate 'COMP' (EHC 8350) point II.2 (e) is amended to add footnote 17, with regards to gelatine, collagen and fishery products originating from wild catch contained in those composite products, which are excluded from the application of the requirements laid down in Articles 6 to 12 of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/2292, certification of those composite products' components in relation to those requirements are not covered by point II.2(e) of that model certificate.

- The model certificate 'COMP' (EHC 8350) is amended to reflect the requirements provided for in Article 21 of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/2292 as regards to certification of non-shelf-stable composite products containing honey and other apiculture products. Furthermore, that model certificate is amended to add II.3.F, to reflect the requirement of the listing of establishment(s) of origin of honey and other apiculture products intended for human consumption, as required by Article 13 of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/2292 as amended by Delegated Regulation (EU) 2023/2652.
- The model private attestation of Annex V (PA 8352) is amended, in point 3, the exemption concerning gelatine and collagen is now limited to gelatine or collagen not derived from ruminant bones in accordance with Article 22(1), point (a)(i), of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/2292. In point 10 of the model private attestation, the origin of dairy products contained in shelf-stable composite products has been amended to provide options for origin (country or territory or zone) of dairy products, to reflect the animal health requirements laid down in Article 163 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692.

The above is not an exhaustive list of the changes. There are other changes which were assessed as not having a major effect on certification and they will be covered in the Notes for Guidance (NFG) documents relevant to each EHC. It is the responsibility of exporters to ensure that they are aware of the latest EU requirements.

Further Information

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Annex

List of amended POAO EHCs:

Name	Title	GB EHC#
Fresh meat of ungulates		
BOV	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of fresh meat intended for human consumption, excluding mechanically separated meat, of domestic bovine animals	8368
OVI	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of fresh meat intended for human consumption, excluding mechanically separated meat, of domestic ovine and caprine animals	8369
POR	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of fresh meat intended for human consumption, excluding mechanically separated meat, of domestic porcine animals	8370
EQU	Model official certificate for the entry into the Union of fresh meat intended for human consumption, excluding minced meat and mechanically separated meat, of domestic solipeds (<i>Equus caballus</i> , <i>Equus asinus</i> and their cross-breeds)	8373
RUF	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of fresh meat intended for human consumption, excluding offal, minced meat and mechanically separated meat, of animals of the family <i>Bovidae</i> (other than domestic bovine, ovine and caprine animals), camelid animals and cervid animals kept as farmed game	8366
RUW	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of fresh meat intended for human consumption, excluding offal, minced meat and mechanically separated meat, of wild animals of the family <i>Bovidae</i> (other than domestic bovine, ovine and caprine animals), wild camelid animals and wild cervid animals	8367
SUF	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of fresh meat intended for human consumption, excluding offal, minced meat and mechanically separated meat, of animals kept as farmed game of wild breeds of porcine animals and animals of the family <i>Tayassuidae</i>	8374
SUW	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of fresh meat intended for human consumption, excluding offal, minced meat and mechanically separated meat, of wild animals of wild breeds of porcine animals and animals of the family <i>Tayassuidae</i>	8375
SUI-MSM	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of mechanically separated meat, intended for human consumption, of domestic porcine animals	8382
Meat of poultry, ratites and other game birds, eggs and egg products		
POU	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of fresh meat intended for human consumption, excluding minced meat and mechanically separated meat, of poultry other than ratites	8371
RAT	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of fresh meat intended for human consumption, excluding minced meat and mechanically separated meat, of ratites	8377
GBM	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of fresh meat intended for human consumption, excluding minced meat and mechanically separated meat, of game birds	8372

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E	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of eggs intended for human consumption	8359
EP	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of egg products intended for human consumption	8360
Fresh meat, excluding mechanically separated meat, of wild leporidae, of certain wild land mammals and of farmed rabbits		
WL	Model official certificate for the entry into the Union of fresh meat intended for human consumption of wild leporidae (rabbits and hares), excluding minced meat, mechanically separated meat and offal except for unskinned and uneviscerated leporidae	8378
WM	Model official certificate for the entry into the Union of fresh meat intended for human consumption, excluding offal, minced meat and mechanically separated meat, of wild land mammals other than ungulates and leporidae	8379
RM	Model official certificate for the entry into the Union of fresh meat intended for human consumption, excluding minced meat and mechanically separated meat, of farmed rabbits	8380
Meat preparations		
MP-PREP	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of meat preparations intended for human consumption	8383
Meat products, including rendered animal fats and greaves, meat extracts and treated stomachs, bladders, intestines others than casings		
MPNT	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of meat products intended for human consumption, including rendered animal fats and greaves, meat extracts and treated stomachs, bladders and intestines, others than casings, that are not required to undergo a specific risk-mitigating treatment	8384
MPST	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of meat products intended for human consumption, including rendered animal fats and greaves, meat extracts and treated stomachs, bladders and intestines, others than casings, that are required to undergo a specific risk-mitigating treatment	8385
Casings		
CAS	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of casings intended for human consumption	8393
Live fish, live crustaceans and products of animal origin from those animals intended for human consumption		
FISH-CRUST-HC	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of live fish, live crustaceans and products of animal origin from those animals intended for human consumption	8361
EU-FISH	Model official certificate for the entry into the Union of fishery products intended for human consumption caught by vessels flying the flag of a Member State and transferred in third countries with or without storage	8362
FISH/MOL-CAP	Model official certificate for the entry into the Union of fishery products or fishery products derived from bivalve molluscs intended for human consumption entering the Union directly from a reefer, freezer or factory vessel flying the flag of a third country as provided for in Article 21(2) of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/2292	8363
Live bivalve molluscs, echinoderms, tunicates, marine gastropods and products of animal origin from those animals		

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MOL-HC	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of live bivalve molluscs, echinoderms, tunicates, marine gastropods and products of animal origin from those animals intended for human consumption	8364
Raw milk, dairy products, colostrum, and colostrum-based products		
MILK-RM	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of raw milk intended for human consumption	8469
MILK-RMP/NT	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of dairy products intended for human consumption derived from raw milk or dairy products therefrom, or both, that are not required to undergo a specific risk-mitigating treatment	8467
DAIRY-PRODUCTS-PT	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of dairy products intended for human consumption that are required to undergo a pasteurisation treatment	8468
COLOSTRUM	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of colostrum intended for human consumption	8357
COLOSTRUM-BP	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of colostrum-based products intended for human consumption	8358
Chilled, frozen or prepared frogs' legs		
FRG	Model official certificate for the entry into the Union of chilled, frozen or prepared frogs' legs intended for human consumption	8394
Snails		
SNS	Model official certificate for the entry into the Union of snails intended for human consumption	8395
Gelatine		
GEL	Model official certificate for the entry into the Union of gelatine intended for human consumption other than gelatine capsules not derived from ruminant bones	8390
Collagen		
COL	Model official certificate for the entry into the Union of collagen intended for human consumption	8396
Raw materials for the production of gelatine and collagen		
RCG	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of raw materials for the production of gelatine and collagen intended for human consumption	8397
Treated raw materials for the production of gelatine and collagen		
TCG	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of treated raw materials for the production of gelatine and collagen intended for human consumption	8398
Honey and other apiculture products intended for human consumption		
HON	Model official certificate for the entry into the Union of honey and other apiculture products intended for human consumption	8391
Highly refined products as described in Section XVI of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004, intended for human consumption		
HRP	Model official certificate for the entry into the Union of highly refined products as described in Section XVI of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004, intended for human consumption	8399
Reptile meat		
REP	Model official certificate for the entry into the Union of reptile meat intended for human consumption	8381

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Insects		
INS	Model official certificate for the entry into the Union of insects intended for human consumption	8400
Other products of animal origin		
PAO	Model official certificate for the entry into the Union of other products of animal origin derived from domestic ungulates, poultry, rabbits or fishery products intended for human consumption and not covered by Articles 8 to 26 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/2235	8392
Composite products		
COMP	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of non-shelf-stable composite products intended for human consumption and shelf-stable composite products intended for human consumption and containing any quantity of meat products except gelatine not derived from ruminant bones, collagen not derived from ruminant bones and highly refined products, and any quantity of colostrum-based products	8350
Transit through the Union to a third country either by immediate transit or after storage in the Union of composite products		
TRANSIT-COMP	Model animal health certificate for the transit through the Union to a third country either by immediate transit or after storage in the Union of non-shelf-stable composite products intended for human consumption and shelf-stable composite products intended for human consumption and containing any quantity of meat products except gelatine, collagen and highly refined products, and any quantity of colostrum-based products	8351
Products of animal origin and certain goods that originate in the Union, are moved to a third country or territory and moved back to the Union after unloading, storage and reloading in that third country or territory		
STORAGE-TC PAO	Model animal health/official certificate for the entry into the Union of products of animal origin and certain goods that originate in the Union, are moved to a third country or territory and moved back to the Union after unloading, storage and reloading in that third country or territory	8461
MODEL PRIVATE ATTESTATION BY THE OPERATOR ENTERING SHELF-STABLE COMPOSITE PRODUCTS INTO THE UNION IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 22 OF DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) 2022/2292		8352

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