

2. Nothing in this licence gives exemption from any prohibition or restriction imposed by the Imported Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991 (as amended), the Meat (Sterilisation and Staining) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989, the Diseases of Animals (Animal Protein) (No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1989 (as amended), or the Medicines Acts 1968 and 1971 or by any regulation superseding or amending the same.

3. Any breach of any condition attached to this licence will constitute an offence against the Diseases of Animals (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 (as amended) and the Products of Animal Origin (Import and Export) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998.

DISEASES OF ANIMALS (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1981

LANDING OF CARCASSES AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS ORDER (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1985 (AS AMENDED) DISEASES OF ANIMALS (IMPORTATION OF BIRD PRODUCTS) ORDER (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1996

Licence No.: DANI/GEN/99/07

GENERAL IMPORT LICENCE

The Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, in accordance with the above legislation, hereby authorises the landing in Northern Ireland of:

Product: Meat products and poultry meat products (excluding game meat) (also excluding pig meat from Poland) from

Country of Origin: Canada, Poland, Switzerland

subject to the following conditions:

1. Each consignment must be accompanied by a certificate in accordance with the terms of Commission Decision 97/221/EC (See Note 1) made under Council Directive 72/462/EEC (as amended) signed by an official veterinarian of the Government of the exporting country stating:

(i) the details of consignment (animal species, description of meat products, nature of pieces, nature of packaging, number of pieces or packages, required storage and transport temperature, storage life, net weight);

(ii) the address(es) and veterinary approval number(s) of the establishment(s) supplier(s) of fresh meat, the meat products establishment(s), the storage establishment(s);

(iii) the destination of meat products (place of loading, country and place of destination), means of transport (for railway wagons or goods vehicles the registration number should be given; for aircraft the flight number; for ships the name; for lorries the registration number should be given; for bulk containers the container number and the seal number should be given), names and addresses of consignor and consignee

(iv) that:-

"I, the undersigned, official veterinarian, certify that:

(a) The meat product contains the following meat constituents and meets the criteria indicated below:

Species ⁽¹⁾: _____

Treatment ⁽²⁾: _____

Origin ⁽³⁾: _____

Animal Health Conditions ⁽⁴⁾: _____

(b) Where the meat product has undergone a treatment other than heating in a hermetically sealed container to a Fo value of 3.0 or more, it has been prepared from fresh meat which:

(i) In the case of fresh meat from bovine, ovine, caprine, porcine or soliped animals:

- satisfies the animal health requirements laid down in Article 14, 15 and 16 of Council Directive 72/462/EEC and is in accordance with Commission Decision .../EEC^{(4) (5)}; and/or

- originates in a Member State of the European Community and satisfies the requirements of Article 21a, paragraph 1, second indent, of Council Directive 72/462/EEC⁽⁵⁾; and/or

- meets any requirements agreed under the provisions of Article 21a, last sentence, of Council Directive 72/462/EEC and has undergone the treatment laid down for the meat of the species concerned in Parts II or III (as appropriate) of the Annex to Commission Decision 97/222/EC (See Note 2).

(ii) In the case of fresh meat from domestic poultry:

- satisfies the animal health requirements laid down in Commission Decisions 94/984/EC (as amended), 96/181/EC or 96/387/EC⁽⁵⁾; and/or

- originates in a Member State of the European Community satisfying the requirements of Council Directive 91/494/EEC, Articles 3, 4 and 5⁽⁵⁾; and/or

- originates in a third country referred to in Annex II, Chapter I, of Council Directive 92/118/EEC⁽⁵⁾;

(c) The meat product:

- consists of meat and/or meat products derived from a single species, and has undergone the treatment satisfying the relevant conditions laid down in the Annex to Commission Decision of 97/222/EC⁽⁵⁾; or

- consists of meat from more than one species where, after mixing the meats together, the entire product has subsequently undergone a treatment which was at least equal to the most severe treatment required for any of the individual meat components contained in the meat product, as laid down in the Annex to Commission Decision 97/222/EC⁽⁵⁾; or

- has been prepared from meat from more than one species where each of the constituent meats had previously undergone a treatment prior to mixing which satisfied the relevant treatment requirements for meat from that species, as laid down in the Annex to Commission Decision 97/222/EC⁽⁵⁾

(d) In the case of poultry meat products which have not undergone a specific treatment and are destined for Member States or regions thereof which have been recognised in accordance with Article 12 of Council Directive 90/539/EEC, the poultry meat was derived from poultry which had not been vaccinated with a live vaccine against Newcastle disease within 30 days prior to slaughter.⁽⁵⁾

(e) After treatment all precautions to avoid contamination have been taken.

Done at _____ on _____

(place)

(date)

Seal⁽⁶⁾

(Signature of the official veterinarian)⁽⁶⁾

(Name in capital letters, title and qualifications)."

2. Consignments imported directly into Northern Ireland must be:-

(a) imported through the border inspection post at Belfast Port or Belfast International Airport;

(b) notified in advance to the official veterinarian at the border inspection post - one working day's advance notice must be given for products entering through Belfast Port (Tel 01232 547103) and at least 6 hours' notice of arrival must be given during the working day of the border inspection post at Belfast International Airport (Tel 01849 452577);

(b) presented, on arrival at the border inspection post, to the official veterinarian and may not be removed from the border inspection post until the checks in accordance with Directive 90/675/EEC (Note 3) have been carried out to the satisfaction of the official veterinarian and all the checks have been paid for.

3. Consignments imported into Northern Ireland which have been transhipped via a port or airport elsewhere in the Community and which in accordance with Article 8.4 of Council Directive 90/675/EEC have not been subjected to veterinary checks must be presented in accordance with paragraph 2(c) above.

4. Consignments imported into Northern Ireland which have entered the Community via a border inspection post outside Northern Ireland, in accordance with Article 11.2 (A) of Council Directive 90/675/EEC must be accompanied to Northern Ireland by a copy of the original certificate authenticated by the official veterinarian at the border inspection post of entry into the Community together with a document signed by the official veterinarian at the border inspection post of entry into the Community confirming that the veterinary checks have been carried out to his/her satisfaction.

5. The importer or his agent must immediately notify the local Divisional Veterinary Office of any irregularity in the consignment or accompanying documentation.

6. This licence will remain valid until further notice or unless the licence is revoked by the Department.

Date: 2nd March, 1999.

C. Black, Officer of the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland.

FOOTNOTES

⁽¹⁾ Insert the code for the relevant species where BO = bovine and farmed cloven-hoofed game (excl swine), OV = farmed ovine and caprine, PO = farmed pigs, SO = farmed solipeds.

⁽²⁾ Insert A, B, C, D, E or F for the required treatment as specified and defined in Parts II, III and IV of the Annex to Commission Decision 97/222/EC.

⁽³⁾ Insert the ISO code of the country of origin and, in the case of regionalisation by Community legislation for the relevant meat constituent, the region.

⁽⁴⁾ Insert the reference number of the relevant Community Decision (where appropriate) which was applicable to the production of the meat used in the manufacture of the meat product described in this certificate.

⁽⁵⁾ Delete as appropriate.

⁽⁶⁾ The colour of the seal and the signature must be different from the colour of the printing.