



Department  
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# New Import Controls for Animal Products



**FROM JULY 2022, CERTIFICATION, DOCUMENTARY, ID AND PHYSICAL CHECKS ARE BEING INTRODUCED FOR ANIMAL PRODUCTS FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION (EU) INTO GREAT BRITAIN (GB)**

Following the introduction of pre-notification on 1 January 2022 for most animal products, we want to start providing businesses with information ahead of further import controls being introduced from July.

To help you prepare, we will be running a series of webinars and Q&A sessions that will provide detailed information on the steps you need to take to continue importing animal products from the EU. You have the opportunity to submit up to three questions when you register and we will aim to cover these in the webinar.

Registration is now open for the following webinars:

## Importing meat and meat products from the EU into GB

**Date:** 26/04/2022

**Time:** 10.00am - 12.00pm

[Register here](#)

## Importing animal by-products from the EU into GB

**Date:** 28/04/2022

**Time:** 2.00pm – 4.00pm

[Register here](#)

We will also be running webinars on other animal product topics such as dairy, fish and composites and will communicate these dates soon.

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## Summary of upcoming changes

From 1 July 2022, most animal products will need to enter Great Britain via a point of entry that has a border control post (BCP) designated to receive those goods. This applies even where goods are not subject to certification, ID and physical checks until later in the timetable.

### **From 1 July an Export Health Certificate will be needed for**

- All meat and meat products
- All remaining regulated animal by-products

These will also be subject to documentary, ID and physical checks.

### **From 1 September an Export Health Certificate will be needed for**

- All dairy products

These will also be subject to documentary, ID and physical checks.

### **From 1 November an Export Health Certificate will be needed for**

- All remaining regulated products of animal origin including fish and most composites

These will also be subject to documentary, ID and physical checks.

View these import controls as a [visual snapshot](#)

Please note: the above changes do not apply to goods entering Great Britain from Northern Ireland.

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## Useful Information

This section provides you with links to information you may find useful.

- There is a dedicated [Imports microsite](#) which holds information (FAQs, process maps, guidance documentation) relating to import controls. You will need to be granted access to this site, please click on the link above and we will grant you access.
- View all import controls currently in force and upcoming requirements as a [visual snapshot](#) on the imports microsite
- Six factsheets have been developed to provide you with key information about the upcoming changes across several commodities. Visit the microsite to view the [Animal imports fact sheets](#)
- Find out more about [Importing food and drink from the EU to Great Britain on gov.uk](#)

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## Keeping you informed

Sign up to our [Imports Newsletter](#) to stay up to date and please forward this communication to anyone you think may find it helpful.

If you have any questions about this communication, please email [imports@apha.gov.uk](mailto:imports@apha.gov.uk)

Kind regards

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