

“Delete as Appropriate” Statements

Statements noted as “Delete as Appropriate” on certificates to the European Union may not be deleted in their entirety. Rather, they should be lined-out.

The line-out must be done electronically prior to final printing of the certificate. European Union authorities have indicated that the “line-out” must appear in the same “font” and color as the rest of the certificate. I.E., it must be printed at the same time as the certificate. Most Adobe and Word programs allow the user to “strike-out” text prior to printing.

Line-outs do not need to be individually initialed and sealed/embossed as long as they are made prior to printing of the certificate (as long as they are in the same font/print as the certificate itself). As always each page of the certificate must be signed and sealed/embossed once.