

## **Special Advisory Regarding Completion of Section I.5 of Regulation (EU) 142/2011 Certificates for Transit/Storage Consignments**

In March of 2012, the Commission issued guidance to address an inconsistency in EU Regulations as related to the completion of Section I.5 of the Regulation (EU) 142/2011 Health Certificates for consignments transiting or being stored in the EU.

This guidance indicates that even though Regulation (EU) 142/2011 states:

If health certificates are used for consignments in transit, box No I.5 ('Consignee') of the relevant health certificate shall be completed with the name and address of the border inspection post through which the consignment is intended to leave the European Union.

The following guidance from Commission Decision 2007/240/EC may still be followed:

Box I.5:

Consignee: Please give the name and address (street, town and post code) of the physical or legal person to whom the consignment is shipped in the Member State of destination.

**This information is not compulsory for goods in transit through the EU.**

APHIS prepared the majority of the prototype certificates on this website based on earlier now obsolete EU guidance that the border inspection post through which the consignment was intended to leave the EU must be noted in section I.5. As the prototypes are revised, the transit/storage versions will be revised to line-out section I.5.

In the meantime, when preparing transit/storage certificates for submission to APHIS for endorsement:

If the version available on the IREGS already has a diagonal line drawn through this section, do not enter any text. If the version available on the IREGS does not already have this done, then either:

- Enter the border inspection post (BIP) through which the consignment is intended to leave the EU; or
- Draw a single diagonal line through the section (If this line is drawn after the certificate is printed then it will be necessary for the APHIS veterinarian endorsing the certificate to initial and emboss the change).

For more information on the proper preparation of Regulation (EU) 142/2011 certificates, please read the [Guidelines for Preparation of Regulation \(EU\) 142/2011 Export Certificates](#).