Educational Materials: Animal By-Products Imported for Use or Resale as Educational Tools

The below information was extracted from the UK DEFRA website. No government certification is required for these materials.

For additional information, the U.S. exporter should have their importer in the UK contact:

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Authorisation No: IMP/GEN/2013/04

DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

European Communities Act 1972

THETRADE IN ANIMALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS REGULATIONS 2011 (AS AMENDED)
THE ANIMAL BY-PRODUCTS (ENFORCEMENT) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2011

GENERAL IMPORT AUTHORISATION

The Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, by this authorisation issued under the terms of Paragraph 15(5) of Part 3 of the Trade in Animals and Related Products Regulations 2011 (as amended) and in accordance with Article 41.3 of Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009 (as amended), authorises subject to and in accordance with the conditions set out below, the landing in England of:

• VERTEBRATE, INVERTEBRATE, AQUATIC ANIMALS AND THEIR BY-PRODUCTS WHICH HAVE UNDERGONE A MANUFACTURING OR PRESERVATION PROCESS THAT REDUCES TO AN ACCEPTABLE LEVEL RISKS TO PUBLIC OR ANIMAL HEALTH • PLASTOMOUNTED INVERTEBRATE, VERTEBRATE AND AQUATIC ANIMALS AND THEIR BY-PRODUCTS • SEALED MICROSCOPE SLIDES OF INVERTEBRATE, VERTEBRATE AND AQUATIC ANIMALS AND THEIR BY-PRODUCTS IMPORTED FOR THE PURPOSE FOR USE OR RESALE AS EDUCATIONAL TOOLS ONLY	Product

from

From a third country listed as a Member of the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) in the OIE bulletin. • World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE)	Countries of origin

at

a Border Inspection Post (BIP) approved for the importation of animal by-products in England	Ports of entry

until further notice or unless revoked by the Secretary of State.

Dated: 23rd October 2013

Officer of the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS
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Conditions attached to this authorisation

1. Each consignment must be accompanied by:

   - a copy of this authorisation
   - commercial documentation as per point 3 below

2. All animal based materials used in the products must originate from material as defined in Articles 8, 9 and 10 of Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009.

3. Each consignment must be accompanied by a commercial document signed by the senior manager of the facility on company letter headed paper and dated no less than 2 months from the date of import of each consignment confirming:

   - Name of the establishment of production;
   - Name and address of the consignor and consignee;
   - Name of the manufacturer, quantity shipped and identification marks;
   - Country of origin;
   - Species of animal the animal by-product was obtained from;
   - Type of product imported;
   - That the products were not derived from an animal known or suspected to be infected with a disease which is notifiable in accordance with the Office International des Epizooties (OIE) International Animal Health Code or originate from animals in a premises, region or zone that is subject to official restrictions by the Competent Authority due to a serious disease to which the animals are susceptible;
   - That the products were not derived from an animal known or suspected to be infected with a disease transmissible to humans (zoonotic disease);
   - The animal by-products were specifically sourced for the manufacture of educational use products only prior to processing;
   - Details of the manufacturing or preservation process, including the products used in these processes, that reduces to an acceptable level risks to public or animal health, including list of products used to mitigate such risks.

4. The animal by products listed in this authorisation must also comply with the following conditions:

   - The product must be securely packaged in clean, leak proof containers.
   - That the outer packaging is clearly labelled "NOT FOR FEED OR FOOD USE – FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY".
   - They must not be diverted at any stage within the European Union for any use in food, feed material, organic fertilisers or soil improvers.

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- The consignment, or its packaging, must not be allowed to come into contact with any ruminating animals, swine, poultry or horses.
- The products must remain in the original wrappings at all times until their arrival at the premises of final destination.

5. Each consignment will be subjected to veterinary checks at a border inspection post (BIP). Importers are required to pre-notify the BIP of the arrival of the consignment, present the consignment for checking and in some cases provide certain guarantees. Information on procedures for veterinary checks including importers responsibilities and a list of BIPs is available on our website: http://archive.defra.gov.uk/foodfarm/animaltrade/imports/vetchecks.htm http://www.defra.gov.uk/animal-trade/imports-non-eu/border-inspection/

GENERAL NOTES

1. If you wish to import these products through Scottish or Welsh ports, you must seek authorisation from the relevant authority (Scottish Government Rural Directorate, tel: 0131 2446179; Welsh Assembly Government Rural Affairs Department, tel: 02920 825111).

2. If the material is to be supplied to an organisation in another Member State/re-exported, you should ensure that the importing country will permit entry and that you have the correct paperwork to accompany the product prior to export. For further advice, you should contact the Specialist Service Centre for Exports

3. The raw material must at all times be handled, stored, transported and used in accordance with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009 and Regulation (EU) No 142/2011. Further information is available from your local Animal Health and Veterinary Laboratories Agency office.

4. Any products and records relating to the product imported under this authorisation shall be made available if so required for inspection by an Officer of Animal Health Veterinary Laboratory Agency at any place nominated by him/ her for such inspection. The importer or his agent shall afford all assistance necessary to such an officer to enable him/her to carry out the inspection in such a manner as he/ she shall determine and the importer shall be responsible for meeting any costs of carrying out such an inspection.

5. This authorisation does not provide an exemption from any prohibition or restriction imposed by the Official Feed and Food Control (England) Regulations 2006, the provisions of the Food Safety Act 1990 and Regulations made under it, the Animal By-Products (Identification) Regulations 1995, the Marketing Authorisations for Veterinary Medicinal Products Regulations 1994, The Control of Substances Hazardous to health (2002) (COSHH), Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations (1999), Health and safety at Work Act (1974) or by any regulation superseding or amending the same.

6. This authorisation is granted under animal health import legislation and gives no exemption from any prohibition, regulation or restriction imposed by any other Government Department or Agency.

7. Harmonised EU rules for these products have not been laid down at this time so this authorisation is issued without prejudice to any future import rules.

8. Please note that while this authorisation is current at the time of its issue, conditions can be subject to frequent change and importers are advised to check the latest position with the Specialist Service Centre for Imports (see below).

CAUTION

It is the importer's responsibility to ensure that any import covered by this authorisation complies with the terms and conditions as set out.

In addition, there are statutory requirements on the importer under the following legislation:

- The Control of Substances Hazardous to health (2002) (COSHH)
- Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations (1999)
- Health and safety at Work Act (1974)

It is the importers responsibility to:

- Provide the required information on the active components/ content of the substance for import and if this is potentially hazardous to health by means of a Material/Chemical Safety Data Sheet to allow adequate risk assessment by the end user
- Provide any other relevant information for the end user, including disposal requirements following use of the product
- Measures to be taken if the end user is exposed to the substances contained in the product.

Any breach of any conditions attached to this authorisation will constitute an offence against the Animal Health Act 1981.

CONTACT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

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