DAERA authorised Private Veterinary Practitioner

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Subject: Journey Log module on TRACES NT

TRACES NT - Journey Log

The removal of TRACES Classic on 6th November means that all intra-EU export animal health certificates must now be delivered via TRACES NT (TNT). In this system it is compulsory for the exporter/transporter/journey organiser to complete the Journey Log application Section 1 online, the keeper at the place of Departure to complete Section 2 online and for the aPVP to sign off that it complies with the requirements of Regulation (EC) 1/2005.

Please note that a Journey Log is only required for long journeys over 8 hours between Member States, and with third countries, for cattle, sheep, pigs, goats and unregistered horses. It is not required for journeys within the UK e.g. NI to GB.

The purpose of this Bulletin is to publicise the assistance available from DAERA.

As this Journey Log (JL) module was brought in with little notice, DAERA is willing to help those aPVPs who wish for support in the evaluation of the Journey Log (JL) application.

This offer is intended to be for a transitional period to allow time for DAERA to develop training for aPVPs, communication with industry to take place and issues with the JL module to be addressed by the EU.

Previously under Traces Classic:

Up to Fri 5th Nov 2021, in NI, a JL Section 1 Planning application was made by Exporters/ Organisers/Transporters to DAERA's Customer Services Branch in Dungannon or Mallusk. Our CSB offices assessed that application and, if satisfactory, signed and stamped the JL and returned it to the applicant.

The certifying officer could sign the export certificate with the reassurance that DAERA had approved the JL application.

Now under Traces-NT:

Traces-NT is designed to have the JL applied for online by the Exporter/Organiser/ Transporter and to have it assessed by the certifying officer. The Traces-NT animal health certificate application cannot be fully processed without a Journey Log being completed. Several issues, highlighted by DAERA and other competent authorities, still remain be addressed by the EU.

Offer of assistance:

We are proposing, therefore, that when an exporter approaches an aPVP to carry out an export that involves a JL, the aPVP can then refer them to the DAERA normal

application process for JL approval. Most organisers and transporters will already be aware of this process.

See link to application form for reference:

<u>Journey logs | Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (daerani.gov.uk)</u>

The application must be submitted within 2 working days in advance of the time of departure. We would recommend that it is submitted 3 working days in advance to allow time for any issues to be sorted.

The organiser/transporter/exporter will also need to create and complete the necessary sections of the JL module on TNT. Information on registering on TNT for these operators can be found at: TNT get started EN.PDF (daera-ni.gov.uk).

The keeper at the place of departure will need to complete Section 2. They may be the same as the Organiser/Exporter mentioned in section 1.

It would be beneficial at an early stage if the aPVP advises the Organiser/Transporter creating the JL and the Keeper at the Place of Departure (who may be the same as the Organiser/ Exporter) that they need to be registered on Traces NT.

The JL user guide is now also available via the DAERA website: <u>Journey Log user manual en - 20-10-21 0.PDF (daera-ni.gov.uk)</u>

The aPVP will then be still able to rely on a DAERA-approved JL being supplied to them by the journey organiser/transporter/exporter. This should be checked by the aPVP against the electronic JL on TNT. The aPVP can then proceed with countersigning the JL module on TNT and also the wider TNT application to complete certification of the export.

Notes for Guidance on completion of JLs by certifying officers can be found at the following link https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/services/live-animals-exports.

Retrospective checks:

It is DAERA's intention to do enhanced checks of the returned Journey Logs after the export has been completed so that we can advise the relevant people of any adjustments needed for the future. This may include assessment of Sat Nav records.

Further queries on Journey Logs may be directed to either:

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