

# DAERA authorised Private Veterinary Practitioner

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**Audience:** DAERA authorised Private Veterinary Practitioners - certification of poultry and poultry products

**Subject:** Update on trade restrictions related to Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza

## **Update on trade restrictions related to Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI)**

On 3rd September 2021 the UK made a self-declaration of freedom from HPAI to the OIE. This officially brought to a close all established restricted areas from the HPAI outbreak in Northern Ireland for international trade in poultry, poultry products of animal origin and germinal products.

### **Northern Ireland**

For Northern Ireland, this means that poultry from all areas of the Province is now eligible for export including the areas which had been previously subject to restriction – the Clough Townland Area and the Maze Townland Area. These 2 areas have been, up to this time, restricted for certain “Amber listed” and specific Third Country Certificates.

In practical terms this means:

	<b>Eligibility for EU/GB Trade</b>	<b>Eligibility for International Trade to other Third Countries*</b>
Maze/Clough townland areas	From 12 February 2021 - no restriction (Specific restrictions applied from time of outbreak to 30 days after primary cleansing and disinfection).	Product produced after 3/09/2021 is now eligible for all previously restricted Amber Certificates: Meat from 15/10/2021; Day old chicks hatching date of 24/09/2021 onwards; Table eggs produced from 03/09/2021
All other areas in Northern Ireland	No restrictions	No restrictions

**\*Please note: Restrictions remain in place for exports to Turkey for County Londonderry, County Antrim and the Maze Townland.** These restrictions prevent the export of the following from these areas;

- Live poultry
- Live domestic and wild birds
- Poultry meats, fats and offal for human consumption
- Poultry food preparations – unless sufficiently heat treated
- Eggs – unless sufficiently heat treated
- Feathers – unless sufficiently heat treated
- Meals, animal feeds, pet foods, pharmaceuticals of poultry – unless sufficiently heat treated

NB Heat treatment must meet the requirements specified on the export health certificate.

In effect no poultry based products can be exported to Turkey from the regions stated above unless they have been sufficiently heat treated.

## **GB HPAI Outbreaks November 2021**

### **Trade with EU:**

The UK has notified the EU of the confirmation of HPAI in GB. In respect of trade exports from GB to the EU, the regions affected are now “regionalised” and noted by the code GB-1, whereas the rest of GB is noted by the code GB-2. Exports to the EU from GB-1 are restricted.

### **Trade with rest of world:**

For export to the rest of the world, **the UK has lost official “O.I.E. Free” status.** As a consequence, **all certificates which require UK wide freedom OIE status for HPAI have been withdrawn.**

The situation across UK is complicated and care must be taken by exporters to ensure applications for Export Health Certificates are for consignments containing only product which is eligible.

There a number of specific country restrictions (see Annex A below). You should, therefore, check with DAERA Trade Exports by sending an e-mail to [DAERATradeexports@daera-ni.gov.uk](mailto:DAERATradeexports@daera-ni.gov.uk) for information when considering export requirements as these are subject to change.

## Annex A

### Countries under specific restriction currently include

Hong Kong	Belarus	United Arab Emirates	Barbados
Japan	Ghana	Kenya	British Virgin islands
Israel	Togo	Kuwait	Canada
South Korea	St Vincent and the Grenadines	St. Lucia	Thailand
Philippines	Ukraine	Trinidad & Tobago	Kazakhstan
Singapore	Saudi Arabia	Cayman Islands	Uganda
Russia	Turkey	Antigua and Barbuda	Algeria
Oman			

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