

**Veterinary Farm Inspections for Third Country Exports Assurance**  
**and COVID-19**

**These interim provisions relate specifically to the China Pig Meat Certificate 7006 NI**

1. Routine, regular veterinary inspections are required to allow the current Annex A (7006ANNA) to be signed by a veterinary surgeon. This is one of the supplementary documents required for the China Pig Meat Certificate 7006 NI.
2. As COVID-19 reasons or restrictions may make farm inspections difficult, agreement has been reached to amend the wording of the 7006ANNA.
3. Completion of the revised 7006ANNA can now be achieved through the normal farm inspection or remotely on the basis of ongoing familiarity with the herd, other relevant information sources such as the latest health and production records, remote consultations and supporting certification from the owner/ farm manager. The revised document can be accessed through this link [Annex A](#)
4. The relevant wording of the revised 7006ANNA replaces

*‘to the best of my knowledge and belief and **based on herd inspections** at intervals of approximately three months and other information available, the premises named above meets the following conditions: ‘*

with

*“to the best of my knowledge and belief, and **based on my familiarity with the herd, other relevant information sources** such as the latest health and production records, **remote consultations and supporting certification from the owner/ farm manager (Annex C)**, the premises named above meets the following conditions”*

5. The revised Farm Assurances section of the Notes for Guidance can be found at this link [Farm assurances guidance](#)
6. Please use the revised 7006ANNA, until informed otherwise, whether a farm visit has been undertaken or not. Veterinarians completing a 7006ANNA should document and retain records of all checks completed that supported their ability to sign.
7. If a valid, in date farm inspection has already been completed for the Quarter it is not necessary to re-perform or to issue this new version of the ANNA. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

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