**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ENVIRONMENT AND RURAL AFFAIRS (DAERA)**

 **EXPORT OF BOVINE ANIMALS FOR BREEDING OR PRODUCTION (NON SLAUGHTER)**

**VIA AN EU APPROVED ASSEMBLY CENTRE (EAC)**

**TO AN EU MEMBER STATE**

**DECLARATION OF TRANSPORT**

**Part I** (To be completed by the Export Assembly Centre Operator/Agent)

I, ……………………………………….. (name), being the Export Assembly Centre Operator or agent thereof.

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Assembly Centre Number, ……………………………………………….. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

declare that, with regard to the movement of the bovines identified on the Intra-Trade Animal Health Certificate (ITAHC), serial number INTRA. XI............................................... , from their farms of origin to the export assembly centre:

**a)** the animals were transported in vehicles/containers that had beforehand been cleansed and disinfected with a DAERA approved disinfectant;

**b)** the animals were transported without coming into contact with cloven hoofed animals other than those of a similarly certified health status.

**c)** during this movement the animals did not pass through an area subject to disease control restrictions except via an approved route.

**d)** I have received declarations from the Owners stating that the animals come from establishments where there were no abnormal mortalities with an undetermined cause and I will give a statement to that effect to the certifying Vet at the EAC.

**Signed**: ............................……………………………............ **Date**: .......................

**Part II** (To be completed by the Transporter of the animals to their final destination)

**I, .............................................…………….... (name), being the transporter of the Cattle identified at I.30 of the Intra-Trade Animal Health Certificate (ITAHC), serial number INTRA.XI.**..............................................**: declare that arrangements have been made to ensure compliance with the following conditions:**

**1. BLUETONGUE**

The animals will either:

* Be transported through bluetongue free countries and zones

**OR**

* Will be protected from attacks by vectors (through the use of insecticides) and
* the animals will not be unloaded for more than a day OR
* the animals are unloaded in a vector protected establishment OR
* the animals are unloaded in a country or zone during the vector free period

**2. WELFARE**

Council Regulation 1/2005 lays down the provisions for the protection of animals during transport. The Regulation is enforced in Northern Ireland by the Welfare of Animals (Transport) Regulations (NI) 2006. Article 3 of the EU Regulation requires that animals must be fit for the intended journey before the journey starts *and must remain sufficiently fit throughout the journey* and that no person shall transport them in a way likely to cause injury or undue suffering. This means that animals should be healthy enough to tolerate the entire journey they are about to make (including loading, unloading and any journey breaks) with no or very little adverse effect on them and that the journey should not cause the animals any suffering or injury.

Animals not considered to be fit for transport include those that:

* + Are unable to move independently without pain or to walk unassisted;
	+ Present a severe open wound, or prolapse;
	+ Are pregnant females for whom 90% or more of the expected gestation period has already passed, or females who have given birth in the previous week;
	+ Are new-born mammals in which the navel has not completely healed;
	+ Are lambs less than one week of age, unless they are transported less than 100 km.

**3.** The animals will betransported in means of transport which are constructed in such a way that the animal faeces, litter or feed cannot leak or fall out of the vehicle and which had been cleansed and disinfected immediately after the transport of animals, or of any product which could affect animal health, and where necessary before loading of the animals, using disinfectants officially authorised by DAERA;

**4**. The said animals will be transported without coming into contact with cloven hoofed animals other than those of a similarly certified health status.

**5.** During this movement the animals will not pass through an area subject to disease control restrictions except via an approved route.

**6**. I am in possession of a (i) transporter’s type 1 (for <8hours transport) or type 2 (for >8hours transport) authorisation, (ii) a valid vehicle approval certificate for journeys > 8 hours & (iii) valid certificates of competence for drivers and/or attendants.. Furthermore, I have made copies of these available for the Authorised Private Veterinary Practitioner certifying.

**NB**

For transport of live animals direct to the EU, these documents must be issued by an EU Member State.

For transport of live animals to the EU via GB, the GB authorities state that they also require the equivalent documents to be issued by the UK.

**Signed**: ............................……………………………....... **Date**: .......................

**Address**: ...............................................................………………………………………....................

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The personal data contained within this certificate will be processed and shared with the receiving Competent Authority in order to facilitate trade. Your data will be processed under UK GDPR Article 6 (c) which states that processing of data will be lawful if necessary for the compliance with a legal obligation to which DAERA is subject.

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