



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENT AND RURAL AFFAIRS NORTHERN IRELAND

No:

BACKGROUND CERTIFICATE EXPORT DAIRY PRODUCTS TO GB & EU FOR ONWARD EXPORT

TO *

/* THIRD COUNTRIES

EXPORTING COUNTRY: UNITED KINGDOM (NORTHERN IRELAND) FOR COMPLETION BY:

OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN

I. Identification of product

a) Description of the products:

b) Species of origin:

c) *Type and number of packages:

d) Net weight of consignment:

e) * Identification marks:

f) Batch number(s)

g) Date(s) of production

h) * For cheese: Date of manufacture (curd was set)

II. Origin of product

a) Name and address and approval number of processing establishment:

b) Name and address of exporter:

III. Destination of product

a) Despatch premises in: **NORTHERN IRELAND**

to:

(Country and place of destination)

b) Name and address of consignee:

c) Means of transportation:

NB: Please insert treatment below at (b) for all products on this application.

IV. Health attestation

I, the undersigned, certify that –

a) The milk used in the products described in this certificate originated from farms in * Northern Ireland / * Republic of Ireland / * list other countries

b) With regard to: Bovine Brucellosis and Bovine Tuberculosis:
The *milk from which the dairy product was derived / *dairy product was subjected to:

*Temperature	*Time
*Heat treatment achieved a negative reaction to an alkaline phosphatase test immediately after treatment.	
*Other:	

c) The milk product was processed at a manufacturing plant approved under current European Union legislation as implemented by the Food Hygiene Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006.

d) Northern Ireland is free from Foot and Mouth Disease, Rinderpest, Lumpy Skin Disease, Anthrax, Vesicular Stomatitis, Contagious Pleuropneumonia and Rift Valley Fever as per the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH).

e) The milk from which the dairy product was made and the product itself originated from a country recognised by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) as free from foot and mouth disease, without vaccination.

f) To the best of my knowledge and belief Jembrana Disease has not been recorded in the country/ies from which the milk in the product(s) above originated.

g) Legislation currently in place in Northern Ireland forbids offering for sale for human consumption milk from animals suspected or confirmed as suffering from Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy.

h) Milk must come from holdings registered in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 852/2004. There are animal health systems in place in NI to ensure that milk complies with Regulation (EC) 853/2004 which applies in all European Union Member States and requires that raw milk must be derived from healthy animals in accordance with animal health conditions laid down in Annex III, Section IX, Chapter 1 Paragraph 1. The raw milk was derived from animals which showed no clinical signs of tuberculosis or brucellosis and in the case of tuberculosis and brucellosis, the animals did not show any positive reactions to the routine diagnostic tests for these diseases. An Official Veterinarian verifies compliance per Article 49 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/627.

i) Surveys conducted by the Food Standards Agency for the United Kingdom, in line with Recommendation 16/11/2006 EC (monitoring of background levels of dioxins and dioxin-like PCBs in foodstuffs – including milk and milk products), revealed that there were no concerns for human health.

j) The feeding of ruminant protein to ruminants is prohibited throughout the whole of the UK.

k) The United Kingdom residue surveillance programme and monitoring programmes carried out by the manufacturer ensure that milk products are free from harmful levels of residues of antibiotics (below the maximum residue limit-MRL); hormones (below MRL); pesticides and heavy metals or any other substances known to be harmful to human health. The use of synthetic oestrogens, hormonal substances or thyrostats for growth promotion purposes is forbidden in food producing animals.

l) The Terrestrial Radiation Monitoring Programme for radioactivity in food and the environment and statutory dose limit in the UK complies with the Basic Safety Standards for radiation exposure to members of the public set by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA). The results demonstrate that even the most exposed members of the public received radiation doses from consumption of food and exposure to environmental radioactivity due to discharges and direct radiation that were below the statutory UK and EU annual personal dose limit of 1 mSv (millisievert).

m) * The dairy products do not contain any products derived from animals other than milk and/or milk- based products (Egypt, Pakistan, Republic South Africa)

n) * The dairy products do not contain animal-derived rennet. (Republic South Africa)

o) * For Cheese Production: If the product contains animal rennet, it is labelled accordingly (India)

p) * The only animal origin ingredient/s in the product/s is/are: (USA)

*Delete as applicable

Date:

Stamp

Signed:.....MRCVS

Name in block letters:

Official Veterinarian

(The signature and the stamp must be in a colour different to that of the printing.)