DAERA authorised Private Veterinary Practitioner

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Audience: DAERA authorised Private Veterinary Practitioners who certify cattle or sheep to Scotland

Subject: Removal of additional requirements for movements of livestock from NI to Scotland

Purpose

This bulletin is to notify authorised Private Veterinary Practitioners (aPVPs) who certify cattle or sheep to Scotland of an update to the requirements.

Scottish government have advised that from mid-night on Friday 2nd October 2026 the restriction zone in Scotland is being extended to cover the whole of Scotland. Scotland will then have the same disease status as England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

This change means that supplementary paperwork for movements to Scotland will no longer be required from midnight on Friday 2nd October 2026.

Livestock will be able to be moved to Scotland using the standard procedures and certificates required for movements to GB (i.e. the export health certificate generated by NIFAIS/eAVI).

DAERA webpages have been updated to reflect this change.

If you have any queries regarding this update, please contact DAERATradeExports@daera-ni.gov.uk

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