About this Guide

These guidelines are to assist the industry in understanding the additional regulatory requirements resulting from the UK leaving the EU without an agreement.

It will still be necessary for UK vessel Masters and owners to comply with all other regulatory legislative and reporting requirements in addition to licence conditions.

Individuals should consult with the full regulations regarding Catch Certificate reporting requirements. They can be found in Council Regulation (EC) No 1005/2008 with detailed implementing rules being contained in Commission Regulation (EC) No 1010/2009.

Catch Certificates are not required for some 'fishery products' when importing into the EU.

Excluded fishery products are:

- **Freshwater fishery products;**

- **Aquaculture products obtained from fry or larvae;**

- **Ornamental fish;**

- **Some mollusc species and presentations including oysters, scallops and mussels.**

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To get more support on this process please:

- Contact your nearest Marine Scotland Fishery Office:
www2.gov.scot/Topics/marine/Compliance/resources/fisheriesoffices

- Scottish Government website:
www2.gov.scot/Topics/marine/EuExit

- Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs website:
www.gov.uk/guidance/exporting-and-importing-fish-if-theres-no-brexit-deal

- Food Standards Scotland website:
https://www.foodstandards.gov.scot/about-us/our-remit/brexit

We advise you:
Speak to the relevant contacts in your supply chain to confirm understanding and requirements.

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IF YOU…

Export non-UK 'third country' fish to EU

UNDER NO-DEAL WE EXPECT THERE TO BE NEW REQUIREMENTS…

To export to the EU, you need to have an importer registered in the EU.

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IF THE IMPORT WAS ONLY STORED OR TRANSPORTED IN THE UK:

STAGE 1: OBTAIN THIRD COUNTRY CATCH CERTIFICATE
The exporter will obtain the original Catch Certificate(s), validated by the third country(ies).

STAGE 2: OBTAIN STORAGE STATEMENT
The exporter will complete the Storage Document including the third country catch certificate reference(s) and forward the Storage Document to the EU importer.

STAGE 3: SUBMIT STORAGE STATEMENT AND CATCH CERTIFICATES
The EU importer will submit the Storage Document and Catch Certificate to the EU competent authorities of the destination/EU Member State(s) within the required time frame.

STAGE 4: OBTAIN EHC
The exporter will obtain the required Export Health Certificate (EHC).

STAGE 5: CONSIGNMENT TO BCP
The consignment is transported with the EHC (and other relevant invoicing, customs and packing documentation), to an EU Border Control Post (BCP) where it is approved (or rejected) and enters the EU.

IF THE IMPORT WAS PROCESSED IN THE UK:

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The exporter will obtain the original Catch Certificate(s), validated by the third country(ies).

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