GUIDANCE NOTES
FOR TAKING SHEEP & GOATS FOR BREEDINGTO EU EXPORT ASSEMBLY CENTRES (EACs)/SPECIAL SALES WITHIN NORTHERN IRELAND

Society requirements

You must check the details with the individual Society well in advance of the Export Assembly/Sale.

*All animals must be individually identified at the holding of origin
(in accordance with current legislation) before they enter the EAC/Sale premises.*****

Status of EAC/Sale:

The EAC/Sale must operate under full EU approved Export Assembly Centre (EAC) status therefore all animals entering the EAC must be of the same health status.

Residency/Standstill/Scrapie Requirements

- All animals (including uncastrated males) must have been continually resident on their holding of origin for at least **30 days** immediately prior to movement to the Sale.
- Uncastrated male Sheep for export must be blood tested, with a negative result returned for Brucella Ovis within 30 days *prior* to export, this testing will be facilitated at the sale.
- No sheep or goats should be moved onto the holding of origin from outside the EU during a period of 30 days immediately prior to the date of movement of the animals for export to the EAC/Sale unless they or the animals for export have been moved into a **DAERA approved Isolation Facility** (AIF).
- **All ANIMALS** entering the Export Sale must be either from a Scrapie monitored flock/herd or have been genotyped.

Paperwork required for entry into the EAC:

At least 3 days prior to the Sale you must complete an Owner's Declaration (available from the DAERA website (www.daera-ni.gov.uk) or local DAERA Office) and present the following documents to either your local DAERA Office **or** Authorised Private Veterinary Practitioner (aPVP)

- Owner's Declaration;
- Completed application for a movement licence (including identification numbers and sex of animals to be moved to the sale);
- a copy of your certificate of scrapie monitored flock status i.e. Controlled or Negligible Risk status OR
- a Certificate of genotyping (if applicable).

(Please note: during busy periods these documents may take some time to produce.)

This will enable DAERA or your aPVP to upload the sheep details to enable aphis to carry out the necessary checks. Provided these checks are satisfactory you will be issued with a Veterinary Service support certificate and movement licence. You should note that certain events (i.e. purchase of sheep or a disease outbreak) that occur after the issue of these documents may make the sheep ineligible for entry on the day of the sale.

The following documents **must** accompany the animals into the EAC:
- a Veterinary Service support certificate;
- movement licence;
- Owner's Declaration;
- a copy of your certificate of scrapie monitored flock status i.e. Controlled or Negligible Risk status OR

a certificate of genotyping (if applicable)

Paperwork required to accompany consignments of sheep exported from the EAC:

- Export Health Certificate (ITAHC)

This document will be issued by the certifying aPVP at the EAC.

Currently it is not possible for animals to enter an Export Sale from either Great Britain or another EU Member State (including the Republic of Ireland).