

SUMMARY OF REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MOVEMENT OF BLUETONGUE-SUSCEPTIBLE STORE/BREEDING ANIMALS OUT OF SCOTLAND

Movements of non-pregnant animals from Scotland's BTV8 PZ to a BTV8 SZ, an RZ for another bluetongue serotype or a Free Area

In all cases, animals and vehicles must be sprayed with insecticide before the journey. In addition, at least one of the following conditions must be met:

Vector free period

- Animals must be kept in a seasonally free zone for at least 60 days before movement; negative results from a test for virus carried out not earlier than 7 days before the move.
- Or:
- Animals must be kept in a seasonally free zone for at least 28 days before movement; negative results from a serological test carried out at least 28 days after vector free period started.
- Or:
- Animals must be kept in seasonally free zone for at least 14 days before movement; negative results from a test for virus carried out at least 14 days after vector free period started.

Or

Protection against vectors

- Animals must be kept in vector-proof accommodation for at least 60 days before movement.
- Or:
- Animals must be kept in vector proof accommodation for at least 28 days before movement; negative results from a serological test performed at least 28 days after the start of protection.
- Or:
- Animals kept in vector proof accommodation for at least 14 days before movement; negative results from a test for virus carried out at least 14 days after protection started.

Vector -proof accommodation must fulfil strict Scottish Government requirements, details of which are available on the [Scottish Government website](#).

Or

Vaccination

Animals must have been vaccinated against BTV8, individually identified and certified by a veterinarian and be currently immune and must also meet one of the following conditions:

- Vaccination was completed more than 60 days before the movement;

Or

- They were vaccinated with an inactivated vaccine in time for immunity to be established (which depends on the vaccine used) and were found negative to a virus test carried out at least 35 days after completion of vaccination;

Or

- They were previously vaccinated and have been re-vaccinated with an inactivated vaccine within the immunity period;

Or

- They were kept in a bluetongue seasonally free zone from birth or at least 60 days before vaccination and were vaccinated with an inactivated vaccine in sufficient time for immunity to develop.

Or

Natural Immunity

Animals have never been vaccinated against bluetongue and have always been kept in an area where only BTV8 is present. And:

- Animals had positive results from two serological tests, the first carried out between 60 and 360 days before the movement and the second carried out on samples taken not earlier than seven days before the date of movement.

Or:

- Animals had positive results from a serological test carried out at least 30 days before movement, negative results from a virus test carried out not earlier than 7 days before the movement.

In all cases, export certification is required and vaccinated animals must be accompanied by an export Health Certificate proving that they have been vaccinated.

Please note that until further notice some EU countries may not accept animals over 90 days of age from travelling under conditions of protection against vectors or vector free period.

Movement of pregnant animals out of Scotland's BTV8 PZ to a BTV8 SZ, an RZ for another bluetongue serotype or a Free Area

In all cases, animals and vehicles must be sprayed with insecticide when moving. In addition, for any animal that is, or may be, pregnant, at least one of the following conditions must be met:

- One of the previously described vaccination conditions or one of the natural immunity conditions previously described must have been complied with before insemination or mating.

Or

- Animals must be kept in a seasonally free zone for at least 28 days prior to movement; negative results from a serological test carried out at least 28 days after vector free period started but not earlier than seven days before the date of the movement.

Or

- Animals must be kept in vector proof accommodation fulfilling Scottish Government requirements for at least 28 days before movement; negative results from a serological

test performed at least 28 days after the start of protection and not earlier than 7 days before the date of the movement.

In all cases, export certification is required and vaccinated animals must be accompanied by an export Health Certificate proving that they have been vaccinated.

Movements from Scotland's BTV8 PZ to another BTV8 PZ that transit a BTV8 SZ, an RZ for another bluetongue serotype or a Free Area

Except when 60 or more days into a vector-free period, all animals and vehicles must be sprayed with insecticide before moving out of Scotland's BTV8 PZ and again during any rest periods before reaching the destination BTV8 PZ. Movements between the two BTV8 PZs should be as short and direct as possible and pick-ups or drop-offs are not permitted while outside the BTV8 PZs.

In all cases, export certification is required. Further licences may be required from the competent authority responsible for any non-UK Restricted Zone being moved through.

Movements to a elsewhere in the UK BTV8 PZ

Animals moving from Scotland to elsewhere within the UK BTV8 PZ are not subject to any movement licence conditions. However, animals moving from Shetland to other parts of Scotland must be vaccinated before movement.

Note

This is a summary of the requirements for animals not going for slaughter. For full details on all requirements for any moves please refer to [Bluetongue \(Scotland\) Order 2008 \(as amended\)](#), [Council Directive 2000/75/EC](#) and [Commission Regulation \(EC\) No 1266/2007 \(as amended\)](#). Legislation is updated from time to time.

Please see our website at www.scotland.gov.uk/bluetongue for up to date information, advice on approved insecticides and copies of the required licences.

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