

DE-LISTING OF BORDER INSPECTION POST

The Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food wishes to advise that with effect from Monday 3 August 2009, the Border Inspection Post (BIPs) at Dublin and Shannon Airports, which are currently approved to inspect the imports of the following categories of live animals, will no longer be approved for category "O".

Dublin Airport	Shannon Airport
"E" = Registered equidae	"E" = Registered equidae
"O" = Other animals – includes live birds & reptiles.	"O" = Other animals
	"U" = Ungulates

From this date, consignments of ALL live animals that require BIP checks (other than registered equidae at both airports or ungulates in the case of Shannon) can no longer be imported directly into Ireland from a country outside the EU but will have to undergo border inspection checks at a Border Inspection Post approved for category 'O' in another Member State, e.g., Heathrow or Frankfurt.

This decision does not affect the importation of pet animals as pets do not require BIP checks but are subject to other import rules (e.g., PETS scheme or quarantine).

Where applicable Irish import licences will still be required. These can be obtained from Animal Health Division, Department of Agriculture, Fisheries & Food, Kildare Street, Dublin 2, (phone: 01 – 607 2862) as per usual procedures.

Details are also available on the Department's website at www.agriculture.gov.ie

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