

Call for evidence

Moving animals across borders

The Committee is seeking written submissions, by 17 March, on any, or all of the following questions:

1. Does the UK have sufficient resources and capacity to certify, record and inspect animal movements across its borders?
2. How effectively will the UK be able to conduct animal disease surveillance and respond to outbreaks?
3. What impact will the new UK-EU agreement have on moving animals across the Irish border and between GB and the EU/Northern Ireland?
4. How should the Government balance animal health and welfare alongside economic interests?

Live animal exports:

5. What impact will ending live animal exports for slaughter and fattening have on UK farmers, processors and other businesses?
6. Does the UK have sufficient capacity to slaughter and process animals that are currently exported? If not, what could be improved?

Domestic animals:

7. How will Great Britain leaving the EU Pet Travel Scheme affect both legal and illegal movements of animals between GB and the EU/NI
8. Are the current rules and checks on the movement of domestic animals strong enough to prevent illegal activity? If not, what could be improved?

Equines:

9. What impact will the EU Animal Health Law have on the movement of equines between GB and the EU/NI from April 2021
10. Will the rules and checks on the movement of equines be strong enough to prevent illegal activity? If not, what could be improved?

If you are submitting evidence on behalf of an organisation, please be sure to select that option. The submission form will still give you the option to enter your own name and contact details.

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is kept confidential, please include your reasons for the request at the beginning of your evidence.