Central Equine Database

STANDARD IMPORT FILE FORMAT DEFINITION

VERSION 2.03

DOCUMENT PURPOSE

This document defines the required data (import/feed) needed to meet the Central Equine Database (CED) requirements.

UPDATE FROM VERSION 2.02 TO VERSION 2.03

- 2 optional extra fields were added for microchip derogations introduced in the Dec 2018 MOpS
- A new late passport derogation was added to match the Dec 2018 MOpS
- Clarification of field 5 (Passport ID)
- Clarification of derogation 82004 - Delayed passport issue (foreign PIO).
- Clarification of UELN field now onboarding has completed
- Clarification that equine is ruled out of food chain if country of holding is not known

UPDATE FROM VERSION 1.03 TO VERSION 2.02

"Derogations"

- Version 2 supports the situations where an equine receives a passport which would normally be considered 'late' and therefore rule the equine out of the human food chain; however, a derogation applies and so the equine can remain in the human food chain.
- To accommodate this situation two extra fields have been added to the CSV file, fields 40 and 41. These fields are optional, and occur at the end of the line. This means that backward compatibility can be maintained. Those PIOs who do not use derogations do not have to change their systems and can continue to submit CSV files in the old format (v1.03).
- For those PIOs who do wish to support derogations for late passports, the CSV file can vary on a line by line basis. Equines which do not make use of the derogation can have the old, shorter-line format (v1.03), or can have the new, longer-line format (v2.01) with the entry flagging that derogations do not apply. Equines which do make use of the derogation will need to use the new, longer-line format (v2.01).
- For more detail, please see the definitions for fields 40 and 41.
- If the derogation field is not used and the passport is issued late, the CED will automatically rule the equine out of the human food chain.
- Once a derogation has been applied, it (and the corresponding text) cannot be changed. However, if an error has been made the 'Correct errors..' option in the manual interface can be used to correct the error.

COMMA SEPARATED VALUES

The file is expected in 'Comma Separated Values' (CSV) format. This is a common format used by many systems to transfer data. The system understands CSV files formatted according to the specification in RFC4180.
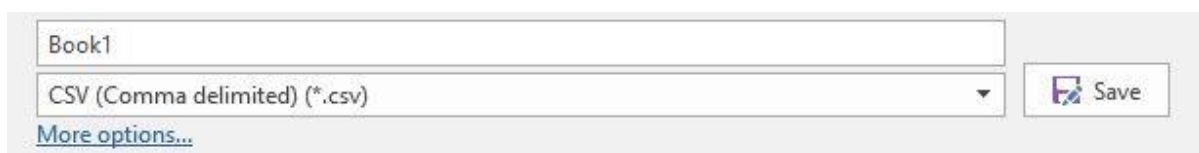
Each line of the file is a record which describes either a new passport or an update to an existing passport. Lines must end with the MS Windows standard CR LF (0x0D 0x0A), rather than just CR or LF.

Each line contains fields separated by commas. Some special rules (described later) apply when a field contains a comma or a double-quote (") as part of its value.

WHEN GENERATING CSV FILES FROM A SPREADSHEET (SUCH AS MICROSOFT EXCEL)

When you save a CSV file in Excel (or other spreadsheet program), the necessary special formatting rules are automatically applied.

When saving from Excel, select the file format "CSV (comma delimited) (*.csv)" or CSV UTF-8 (*.csv)":

(do NOT select, "CSV (Macintosh) (*.csv)", or "CSV (MS-DOS) (*.csv)").

UTF-8 is best if the file contains special characters such as accents in names or addresses.

Once you have saved your file in CSV format, you should not then edit it in Excel. Doing this will turn the UELNs and microchips into numbers in scientific format, which is not useful! For instance, UELN 276006031014997 would become 2.76E+14.

HEADER AND FOOTER LINES

The file can contain an optional header line describing the fields. To allow auto-detection the first field must be named "UELN" or "Passport"

The file can contain an optional footer line containing a count of the records in the file. To allow auto-detection the row must contain only an integer value of the number of rows in the file.

FILE FORMAT

UTF-8 is supported. Files should only contain 8-bit characters.

WHEN GENERATING CSV FILES DIRECTLY

When you generate a datafile using a script or database query, if the data field contains commas (e.g. an address line), then it should be enclosed in double quotes.

For example, the value:

Hart Farm, Wood Lane

must appear in the data file as:

"Hart Farm, Wood Lane"

If the data field contains double quotes, then the field must be enclosed in double quotes, and the internal double quotes must be duplicated.

For example, the value:

Kneesly "The Farmyard" Stables

must appear in the data files as:

"Kneesly ""The Farmyard"" Stables"

Note: If in doubt, put all text in double quotes and the import will remove them and function as required.

DATA FIELD ORDER

If necessary for the initial onboarding the system can cope with fields in a different order and with extra fields. This can be useful, for instance, to support the previous NED format files.

Please contact Equine Register to agree an ordering for your organisation.

It is important to reiterate that this can only occur during the initial onboarding and is therefore most useful to those PIOs who plan to use manual import after the initial onboarding. PIOs planning on using bulk import may find it more useful to use the CED format throughout.

INITIAL IMPORT

The initial import of data will be managed by Equine Register. You must submit a CSV file with the details of all Equines you have issued passports for, or whose passports you have physically changed with details the CED is recording. If you have changed a detail in a passport you did not issue, and the CED is not recording this type of data (eg height), then this must not be reported.

You should include deceased equines in this list. This allows their UELN and chip to be ruled out. The "Type of incident" should be 'Death', and the "Date of Incident" set where known. If not known it can be left blank. If not known or approximate, then 'Date Of Incident "Is Approximate"' must be set to 'Y'.

It is understood that this data may not be complete, so only a best effort is required. This data should be submitted by email to Equine Register, encrypted and password protected to ensure data protection safety. The password should be communicated via a different method – eg telephone call or text. Other ways of submitting the data can be accommodated if necessary.

Equine Register will process the data and inform you of any problems. Once the data is successfully loaded onto the CED, you can then submit ongoing data changes.

ONGOING DATA

Following the initial import, the only data items which should be submitted are the changes since the previous data import. This will be new passports you issued or reissued, passports you cancelled and changes you made to previously issued passports. These actions must be flagged appropriately using Field 2 ("Import Action").

Making changes to a passport issued by another UK PIO is allowed by EU Law, but is discouraged. The recommended action is to refer the owner to the original issuing body.

The data must not contain a complete list of all passports issued. This will cause the import to be rejected with errors indicating that an attempt to create duplicated passports was detected.

When submitting a Passport all data fields must be supplied.

Ongoing data will be strictly checked for compliance, and will not be allowed to be imported if it fails the checks. The CED will report back describing the failure and you will need to fix the data and resubmit.

When you are updating an existing passport, some data fields are locked and cannot be changed. These are fields such as the UELN, passport type, date of birth, and country of birth. If there was an

error made when initially putting this data on the CED then this cannot be corrected via the bulk upload facility. These entries must be manually updated using the web interface.

OVERSTAMPING

If you have overstamped a passport, then this is a change to an existing passport, not an issue of a new passport. You should therefore set the "Import Action" field to 2 (update to an existing passport)

FUTURE FIELDS

The CED specification allows Defra to add additional fields if required in future. If this occurs, the file format will change to accommodate this.

Field Definitions

This section explains the format of each field used in the CSV file.

Field Number	Field Name	Field Type	Field Size	Mandatory / Optional	Description	Allowed Value(s)
1	UELN	Character	15 chars {max}	Mandatory	This is the Unique Equine Life Number as issued by the PIO who created the passport. During onboarding, old style passport IDs could also be used in this field. Now onboarding has finished, these are no longer allowed. This is because this has the potential to create duplicate entries as passport IDs are not unique between PIOs. If the equine does not have a UELN, you must create one as per the guidelines at http://www.ueln.net/ueln-presentation/rules-of-attribution-of-the-ueln/ You do not need to inform the owner of the new UELN. Defra guidelines are that the UELN must be entered into the passport next time it is returned to the PIO.	**During onboarding** If no UELN exists and the date of issue of the original passport is pre 1st July 2009, this can be the "PIO specific unique number" allocated by the PIO. (However, only letters and digits are allowed.) **After onboarding or passport issued after 1 July 2009** A valid UELN must be used for all equines. **Notes** This field should normally be exactly 15 characters long, although some German PIOs use 14 characters. Only letters and digits are allowed.

Field Number	Field Name	Field Type	Field Size	Mandatory / Optional	Description	Allowed Value(s)
2	Import Action	Integer	12 digits {max}	Mandatory	Indicates if the import file role is an initial Passport data entry record creation, or an update to an existing (previously loaded) entry. The field must be set to 1 whenever a physical passport is issued, so for instance if a replacement or duplicate is issued this field must be set to 1. If the field is set to 3, the passport will be cancelled. Updates to other fields will not be recorded when a cancellation is processed. To successfully cancel a passport already held in the CED, the values of • UELN • Date of Issue (Passport) • PIO Passport Serial Number must match the current CED values.	1 = Issue passport 2 = Update/amendment to an existing physical passport 3 = Cancel passport **Scottish CED Only** Extra values are supported for data exported to the S-CED. These are 10 = Moved into Scotland 11 = Moved out of Scotland 12 = Stayed in Scotland (amendment) 13 = Stayed in Scotland (cancellation)
3	Date Passport Issued	Character	10 chars	Mandatory		Valid Date of format dd/mm/yyyy

Field Number	Field Name	Field Type	Field Size	Mandatory / Optional	Description	Allowed Value(s)
4	Date Passport Modified	Character	10 chars	Mandatory	The 'effective' date at which the Passport Data was either created, or amended, within the PIO (System).	Valid Dates of format dd/mm/yyyy Not necessarily the same as date of issue (see field 19, Passport type)
5	PIO Passport Internal Reference or Passport ID	Character	100 chars {max}	Mandatory	This is the PIO's systems internal Passport ID number if it has one. (For passports issued before UELNs came in force, use the Passport ID)	No Restrictions. If there is none, use the UELN. PIOs can search on this field
6	PIO Passport Serial Number	Character	200 chars {max}	Optional	CED defined requirement "some PIOs allocate serial numbers", this may be the same as (5) in some PIOs, but both fields must be updated even if so.	No Restrictions – please supply if your system uses a reference. Will help with data reconciliation
7	Equine – Pet/Stable Name	Character	200 chars {max}	Optional	The pet, stable or birth name. In EU regulation 2015/262 this is the Name field - field (1) – on the certificate of origin part of the passport, section V, page 43.	No Restrictions

Field Number	Field Name	Field Type	Field Size	Mandatory / Optional	Description	Allowed Value(s)
8	Equine - Official Name	Character	200 chars {max}	Optional	The official, registered or commercial name, e.g. Jockey Club, Thoroughbred name. In EU regulation 2015/262 this is the Commercial Name field - field (2) – on the certificate of origin part of the passport, section V, page 43.	No Restrictions
9	Species	Character	80 chars {max}	Mandatory	These are validated & standardised against the 'Allowed Values' list.	See Appendix 3
10	Gender(Sex)	Character	80 chars {max}	Mandatory	These are validated & standardised against the 'Allowed Values' list.	See Appendix 3
11	Colour (Free Text)	Character	80 chars {max}	Mandatory	Accepts String/ Free Text entries. This field should match the passport entry for colour.	No restrictions
12	Date of Birth (Equine)	Character	10 chars {max}	Mandatory	Date of Birth	Valid Dates of format • dd/mm/yyyy • mm/yyyy • yyyy • 'unknown' or ''

Field Number	Field Name	Field Type	Field Size	Mandatory / Optional	Description	Allowed Value(s)
13	Date of Birth (Equine) Precision	Character	2 chars exactly	Mandatory	Indicates the precision of the 'Date of Birth (Equine)', and is used in the validation of the 'Date of Birth'	FD = Full Definition, i.e. dd/mm/yyyy MM = Part Definition, with Month, i.e. mm/yyyy YY= Part Definition, with Year ONLY, i.e. yyyy UK = 'Unknown' i.e. 'unknown' or ''
14	Date of Birth (Equine) "Is Approximate"	Character	1 char exactly	Mandatory	If the entered 'Date of Birth (Equine)'is an approximated date.	Value entered must be either 'Y' (yes) or 'N' (no). This is not case sensitive. If the precision is not FD then this must be 'Y'.

Field Number	Field Name	Field Type	Field Size	Mandatory / Optional	Description	Allowed Value(s)
15	Primary (main) Microchip	Character	256 chars {max}	Mandatory	The Primary microchip number for the Equine.	For animals born post 1st July 2009 a valid microchip number must be entered. Pre 1st July 2009 the microchip number must be supplied if held. Leave this field blank if the animal is not chipped.
16	Other (Secondary/Additional) Microchips	Character	256 chars {max}	Optional	Allows the recording of a secondary (additional) microchip if required for the Equine.	Leave this field blank if there is no second chip. If there is more than one secondary chip, separate them with semi-colons.

Field Number	Field Name	Field Type	Field Size	Mandatory / Optional	Description	Allowed Value(s)
17	Country of Birth (Equine)	Character	80 chars {max}	Mandatory	The CED import will support either the "Numeric" vales or "English Name" being submitted from the allowed values link. The values entered are validated against the ISO-3166 list of countries.	See Appendix 3. A value of 'Unknown' is only allowed during onboarding.

As per Defra's instructions, if the country of birth is not known, the equine will need to be ruled out of the food chain |
| 18 | Country of Holding (Equine) | Character | 80 chars {max} | Mandatory | Must be an EU member state, or "Other territory". The CED import will support either the "Numeric" values or "English Name" being submitted from the allowed values link. The values entered are validated against a subset of the ISO-3166 list | See Appendix 3. A value of 'Unknown' is only allowed during onboarding. |

Field Number	Field Name	Field Type	Field Size	Mandatory / Optional	Description	Allowed Value(s)
19	Passport Type	Character	80 chars {max}	Mandatory	Type of passport: Standardised as registered within CED. The Import validates this field against the 'Allowed Value(s)' and checks for late submission etc.	This accepts a string value from the current standardised list: • New • Replacement • Duplicate • New (reissue) Replacement and Duplicate passports result in the equine being removed from the human food chain. Select New (reissue) if you have received a valid passport, are keeping and destroying it, and reissuing a new passport – perhaps because the original is worn but fully readable.

Field Number	Field Name	Field Type	Field Size	Mandatory / Optional	Description	Allowed Value(s)
20	Issuing PIO	Character	80 chars {max}	Mandatory	This is the name of the PIO that originally issued the Passport Accepts String/ Free Text entries, these are validated & standardised against the 'Allowed Values' list.	See Appendix 3 If the PIO is not UK-based, then the name should be taken from the UELN website where it exists. http://www.ueln.net/no-cache/ueln-code-database/find-organization-with-ueln-code/
21	Current Owner - Title	Character	80 chars {max}	Optional	Standard entries should be used where appropriate, but also accepts String/ Free Text entries.	See Appendix 3.
22	Current Owner – First Name	Character	100 chars {max}	Optional (See allowed values)	Accepts String/ Free Text entries, except if Company Name entered	Can be left blank if "Current Owner – Company Name" is not blank – otherwise mandatory.

Field Number	Field Name	Field Type	Field Size	Mandatory / Optional	Description	Allowed Value(s)
23	Current Owner – Last Name	Character	100 chars {max}	Optional (See allowed values)	Accepts String/ Free Text entries, except if Company Name entered	Can be left blank if "Current Owner – Company Name" is not blank – otherwise mandatory.
24	Current Owner – Address Line 1	Character	200 chars {max}	Mandatory	Accepts String/ Free Text entries	The data must be entered
25	Current Owner – Address Line 2	Character	200 chars {max}	Optional	Accepts String/ Free Text entries	Can be left blank if whole address completed via previous fields.
26	Current Owner – Address Line 3	Character	200 chars {max}	Optional	Accepts String/ Free Text entries	Can be left blank if whole address completed via previous fields.
27	Current Owner – County	Character	200 chars {max}	Optional	Accepts String/ Free Text entries	
28	Current Owner – Company Name	Character	200 chars {max}	Optional (See allowed values)	Accepts String/ Free Text entries, except if First/Last Name entered	Can be left blank if First Name/ Last Name completed.

Field Number	Field Name	Field Type	Field Size	Mandatory / Optional	Description	Allowed Value(s)
29	Current Owner – Country	Character	80 chars {max}	Mandatory	The CED import will support either the "Numeric" vales or "English Name" being submitted from the allowed values link. The values entered are validated against the ISO-3166 list	http://www.ueln.net/ueln-code-database/iso-3166-country-codes/
30	Current Owner – Post Code or ZipCode	Character	80 chars {max}	Optional (See allowed values)	Accepts String/ Free Text entries	This is mandatory for UK addresses but optional for others. For UK addresses the postcode must be supplied.
31	Current Owner – Mobile Number	Character	100 chars {max}	Optional		N/A
32	Current Owner – Email Address	Character	100 chars {max}	Optional		N/A
33	Current Owner – Change Of Owner Details	Character	1 char {max}	Mandatory	Used to indicate if on this data submission the owner details have changed, for instance if there is a new owner, or if the current owner changes address.	Value entered must be either 'Y' (yes) or 'N' (no). This is not case sensitive.

Field Number	Field Name	Field Type	Field Size	Mandatory / Optional	Description	Allowed Value(s)
34	Equine: Human-Food-Chain-Allowed Status	Character	1 char	Mandatory	This is used to indicate if the Equine is flagged as Edible or Inedible: 'Y' = IS allowed to enter the food chain (is fit for consumption) [Is Edible - IS NOT SIGNED OUT of Food-Chain] 'N' = IS NOT allowed to enter the food chain (is NOT fit for consumption) [Is InEdible - IS SIGNED OUT of Food-Chain] **During initial on-boarding only** of PIO data, this field can be set to indicate that the equine's food chain suitability is unknown: 'U' = food chain suitability is not known	Value entered must be either 'Y' (yes) or 'N' (no). This is not case sensitive. Once an animal is ruled out the food chain, it cannot be ruled back in. 'U' (unknown) is only permitted during on-boarding of data to CED.

Field Number	Field Name	Field Type	Field Size	Mandatory / Optional	Description	Allowed Value(s)
35	Equine: Type Of Incident	Character	80 chars {max}	Optional	Used to record events/incidents associated with an equine, e.g. • Death (NOT Slaughter) • Loss, or • Theft	Can be blank, or a value from Appendix 3
36	Equine: Date Of Incident	Character	10 chars {max}	Optional	Used to record the date associated with "Equine: Type Of Incident'. If an incident is entered there must be a valid date.	If entered it must be a valid date of format dd/mm/yyyy
37	Equine: Date Of Incident "Is Approximate"	Character	1 char exactly	Optional	Use to signify if the Incident Date entered is an approximation	If a "Date of Incident" has been entered this must be either 'Y' (yes) or 'N' (no). This is not case sensitive.
38	Equine: Status	Character	80 chars {max}	Mandatory	Registered or for breeding and production	See Appendix 3
39	Passport: Reason for update	Character	200 chars {max}	Optional. Field must be present if empty.	Only used for passport updates, not new passports	

Field Number	Field Name	Field Type	Field Size	Mandatory / Optional	Description	Allowed Value(s)
40	Late Passport Derogation Code	Integer	5 chars exactly	Optional. Whole field can be omitted if derogations are not used.	Use just the numerical portion of the value (e.g. use **82005**, and not **82005 Pre law change**) If the passport was issued on time, or if no derogations apply, use 82001. Alternatively, do not include fields 40 and 41. The allowed values may be added to if further derogation situations arise. The texts may also undergo revision. Note that errors in the derogation code cannot be correct via the bulk interface. They can only be corrected via the manual interface.	See Appendix 3
41	Late Passport Derogation Comment	Character	256 chars (max)	Optional. Can be omitted if derogations are not used. If field 40 is present this field must also be present.	This field is intended to allow PIOs to provide enough information to the vet at an abattoir so that the vet does not need to call them to check the equine status. If there is no additional information which would assist, it can be left empty. Note that errors in the derogation text cannot be correct via the bulk interface. They can only be corrected via the manual interface.	Free text

Field Number	Field Name	Field Type	Field Size	Mandatory / Optional	Description	Allowed Value(s)
42	Microchip Derogation Code	Integer	5 chars exactly	Optional. Can be omitted if derogations are not used.	Use just the numerical portion of the value (e.g. use **82002**, and not **82002 Equine verified by vet before second chip added**) If the equine has a single chip, or if no derogations apply, use 82001. Alternatively, do not include fields 42 and 43. The allowed values may be added to if further derogation situations arise. The texts may also undergo revision. Note that errors in the derogation code cannot be correct via the bulk interface. They can only be corrected via the manual interface.	See Appendix 4
43	Microchip Derogation Comment	Character	256 chars (max)	Optional. Can be omitted if derogations are not used. If field 42 is present this field must also be present.	This field is intended to allow PIOs to provide enough information to the vet at an abattoir so that the vet does not need to call them to check the equine status. If there is no additional information which would assist, it can be left empty. Note that errors in the derogation text cannot be correct via the bulk interface. They can only be corrected via the manual interface.	Free text

Appendix 3 – Allowed Values

LISTS OF ALLOWED VALUES

These lists detail the expected values allowed for the Central Equine Database

1) Entries are case insensitive, so Horse, horse and HORSE are all equivalent.

2) Entries can be mapped on a PIO basis, so if a PIO uses for instance 'Stallion' and 'Gelding', these can both be mapped to 'Male'. Equine Register will work with each PIO during the onboarding process to determine any mapping needed, or potentially add new entries if needed ones are missing.

SPECIES

- Horse/Pony
- Mule/Hinny
- Donkey
- Zebra
- Other Hybrid

GENDER

- Male
- Female
- Male - Gelded
- Other

UK PIO

- American Miniature Horse Club GB
- American Quarter Horse Association UK
- American Saddlebred Association of Great Britain
- Anglo-European Studbook Ltd
- Appaloosa Horse Club (ApHC) UK Ltd
- Arab Horse Society
- Breeders Elite Studbook for Irish and European Sport Horses
- British Appaloosa Society
- British Association for the purebred Spanish Horse Ltd
- British Camargue Horse Society
- British Connemara Pony Society
- British Driving Society
- British Equestrian Federation
- British Falabella Studbook

- British Hanovarian Horse Society
- British Harness Racing Club
- British Horse Database
- British Horse Society
- British Miniature Horse Society
- British Morgan Horse Society
- British Palomino Society
- British Percheron Horse Society
- British Show Jumping Association
- British Skewbald & Piebald Association
- British Spotted Pony Society
- British Warmblood Breeders Studbook UK
- Caspian Horse Society
- Cleveland Bay Horse Society
- Coloured Horse and Pony Society
- Dales Pony Society
- Dartmoor Pony Society
- Donkey Breed Society
- Eriskay Pony (purebred) - Studbook Society
- Eriskay Pony Society Ltd
- Exmoor Pony Society
- Farmkey
- Fell Pony Society
- Fjord Horse National Studbook Association of Great Britain
- Friesian Horse Association of Great Britain and Ireland Ltd
- Hackney Horse Society
- Haflinger Society of Great Britain
- Highland Pony Society
- Horse Passports Agency Ltd
- Horse Passports Ltd (Richard J Steel)
- Hurlingham Polo Association
- Icelandic Horse Society Of Great Britain
- International Miniature Horse and Pony Society
- Lipizzaner National Studbook Association of Great Britain
- Lipizzaner Society of Great Britain (LSGB)
- Lusitano Breed Society of Great Britain est 1984
- National Pony Society
- New Forest Pony Breeding & Cattle Society
- Northern Ireland Horse Board Co-Op Society Ltd
- Oakdale (NI) Ltd
- Pet ID Equine
- Selle Francais/EquiCour
- Shetland Pony Stud-Book Society
- Shire Horse Society
- Showjumping Association of Ireland - Ulster Region

- Sport Horse Breeding of Great Britain
- Spotted Pony Breed Society (Great Britain)
- Suffolk Horse Society
- The British Show Horse Association
- The Caspian Breed Society (UK)
- The Clydesdale Horse Society
- The Gypsy Cob Society Ltd
- The Irish Draught Horse Society (GB)
- The Pleasure Horse Society Ltd
- The Scottish Sports Horse
- The Sports Pony Studbook Society
- The Spotted Horse & Pony Society
- The Standard and Trotting Horse Association of Great Britain and Ireland
- The Traditional Gypsy Cob Association Ltd (GB)
- Trakehner Breeders Fraternity
- UK Knabstrupper Association
- United Saddlebred Association UK Ltd
- Veteran Horse Society
- Weatherbys ID passports
- Weatherbys main GSB NTR
- Welsh Pony & Cob Society

UK PIOs are expected to conform to this format. The list will be updated accordingly if PIO status is lost or granted. Where the issuing PIO is not UK-based, free format text is allowed. Where existing, the name should follow the name registered with the UELN website.

http://www.ueln.net/no-cache/ueln-code-database/find-organization-with-ueln-code/

INCIDENT

- Death
- Lost
- Stolen

STATUS

- Registered
- Breeding and production

TITLE

- Mr
- Mrs
- Miss
- Ms

Note. The title field also allows free format text to accommodate any title (e.g. Dr, Sheik, Baron, Duchess, etc.). However, the standard 4 titles are expected to conform to the above format (e.g. 'Mr', not 'Mr.')

COUNTRY OF HOLDING / BIRTH

The format of this list is "<English name> - <ISO 3166-1 numeric code>". Use EITHER the English name or the numeric code when specifying country of holding. E.g. Use 'United Kingdom' or '826'. Do not use 'United Kingdom – 826'.

If the country is not known, choose 'Unknown' (but see note 1). If the country is known but not in the list, choose 'Other Territory'

- United Kingdom - 826
- Other Territory – 999
- Unknown - 998

- Austria - 040
- Belgium - 056
- Bulgaria - 100
- Croatia - 191
- Cyprus - 196
- Czechia – 203 (NB – the ISO 3166 English short name changed from "Czech Republic (the)" in September 2016.)
- Denmark - 208
- Estonia - 233
- Finland - 246
- France - 250
- Germany - 276
- Greece - 300
- Hungary - 348
- Ireland - 372
- Italy - 380
- Latvia - 428
- Lithuania - 440
- Luxembourg - 442
- Malta - 470
- Netherlands (the) - 528
- Poland - 616

- Portugal - 620
- Romania - 642
- Slovakia - 703
- Slovenia - 705
- Spain - 724
- Sweden – 752

Note 1 – Unknown country of birth/holding

Country of birth and country of holding are mandatory fields as specified by EU regulation (EU) 2015/262, Article 28, paragraph 1 (g) and (n). Defra understand that for historical equines this data may not have been recorded, and so for historical data this can be recorded as 'unknown'.

However, for new equines this data must be recorded and so 'unknown' is not an allowable option.

LATE PASSPORT DEROGATION CODES

Whether a particular derogation currently applies is a matter for Defra policy. These are the current list of allowable derogations. However, this list may change over time, and particular derogations may be added or removed.

Code	Derogation	Example
82001	No derogation	
82002	Wild / semi-wild pony	Ponies brought off moorland and issued a passport when older than 12 months (e.g. New Forest, Dartmoor, Exmoor)
82003	Electronic passport issued within timescales	Horses imported from another country which have had an electronic passport issued within 12 months but a paper passport (to enable import to UK) issued after 12 months (e.g. Icelandic horses)
82004	Delayed passport issue (foreign PIO)	Horse passport for equine born in the UK, but where the passport was issued by a foreign EU PIO, where the passport was applied for in good time, but the issue was delayed over 12 months (e.g. this often occurs with Spanish horses issued by the central Spanish Mother Studbook - ANCCE-LGPRE). This also applies where the equine was born outside the UK, and an EU PIO issued the passport after 12 months for whatever reason. Their decision as to why the passport is issued as new rather than as late is taken as correct.
82005	Pre-dates law change	Horses with passports issued before the regulations requiring a horse to have a passport issued within 12 months
82006	Reissue of passport to add sections required by Article 7(2)	See Dec 2018 MOpS for examples (paras 79, 98, 99, 100)

MICROCHIP DEROGATION CODES

Whether a particular derogation currently applies is a matter for Defra policy. These are the current list of allowable derogations. However, this list may change over time, and particular derogations may be added or removed.

Code	Derogation	Example
85001	No derogation	
85002	Equine verified by vet before second chip added	If a second chip is added the equine must be ruled out the food chain unless the equine was identified by a vet before the chip was added. See Mops para 120 for examples.