

**VETERINARY AND PHYTOSANITARY CERTIFICATES**

Submission by the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu

The following communication, received on 26 December 2006, is being circulated at the request of the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu.

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1. The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu would like to inform Members of a change in formatting to its veterinary and phytosanitary certificates for exports which are administered by the Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine (BAPHIQ), Council of Agriculture.
  2. The new certificates, with a view to ensure the authenticity, will be printed on anti-counterfeiting paper. The new paper is green in colour with the Bureau's logo and light sensitive technology, which results in any reproductions being marked with the word 'copy'. Specimen of the new certificates can be viewed at <http://www.baphiq.gov.tw/ct.asp?xItem=9194&ctNode=1430&mp=1>.
  3. The new certificates will be phased into operation on 22 January 2007, and after 31 May 2007 only the new formats will be issued.
  4. For further information, please contact the Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine, 9F, 51 Chung-Ching S. Road, Section 2, Taipei, 10075 Taiwan, Tel: +886 2 2343 1401, Fax: +8862 2 343 1400, E-mail: <mailto:wtosps@mail.baphiq.gov.tw>
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