

Imports and EU Team  
Animal Health: Global Trade and Aquaculture Health  
Area 4B, 17 Smith Square,  
London SW1P 3JR

Website: [www.defra.gov.uk](http://www.defra.gov.uk)



## **IMPORTS AND EU POLICY TEAM**

### **CUSTOMER INFORMATION NOTE**

**API/2012/54**

**Date: 28 September 2012**

To: Interested parties

### **IMPORTS OF COMPOSITE PRODUCTS**

#### **Purpose**

1. To advise you that we have published our Importer Information Note and Guidance on importation of composite products from outside the EU.

#### **Background**

2. [Customer Information Note 2012/39](#) issued on 29 June advised of the latest information on imports of composite products.
3. As you are aware composite products are defined in Article 2(a) of Commission Decision 2007/275/EC as “a foodstuff intended for human consumption that contains both processed products of animal origin and products of plant origin and includes those where the processing of primary product is an integral part of the production of the final product”. The relevant legislation is:
  - [Commission Decision 2007/275/EC](#);
  - [Regulation \(EU\) No 28/2012](#); and
  - [Regulation \(EU\) No 468/2012](#).
4. Defra and the Food Standards Agency (FSA) have been working together on guidance for imports of these products. These are now available in the form of an Importer Information Note, frequently asked questions (FAQs) and some flow charts. These will be put on our website shortly.

#### **Contact point for enquiries**

SSCI Chelmsford	01245 454860
Fax:	01245 351162
E-mail:	<a href="mailto:AHITChelmsford@ahvla.gsi.gov.uk">AHITChelmsford@ahvla.gsi.gov.uk</a>

***Imports and EU Policy Team***