

# EUROPEAN UNION (EU) FREE TRADE AGREEMENT (FTA) BEEF QUOTA MANUAL

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#### **SECTION 1.**

#### INTRODUCTION

- 1. The Quota Allowance Allocation System ("Allocation System") outlined in this document is a continuation of the Allocation System operated previously by the New Zealand Meat Board ("Board"), amended as a result of the 2024 Quota Allocation Mechanism Review. This will apply to Quota Allowance administration for the 2025 and subsequent Quota Years, and will operate for the European Union ('EU') Beef FTA Quota Year.
- 2. This Allocation System is implemented by the New Zealand Meat Board ("Board") pursuant to its powers under the Meat Board Act 2004 ("Act"), in particular, Part 3.
- 3. As a result of the Free Trade Agreement (FTA) negotiated with the European Union which entered into force on 1 May 2024 a Tariff Rate Quota (TRQ) has been created for selected beef products to enter at preferential tariff. New Zealand's access under the EU-NZ FTA is subject to the EU domestic regulatory framework, in particular Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/1178 amending Implementing Regulations (EU) 2020/761 regarding the creation, modification and management of certain tariff quotas following the trade agreement between the European Union and New Zealand, and subsequent tariff rate quota regulations.
- 4. The Board's policy for the allocation of EU FTA Beef TRQ is founded upon the principle that TRQ should be equitably allocated to Qualifying Companies and eligible New Entrants to ensure that the New Zealand red meat industry is the recipient of the economic benefits deriving from quota markets.
- 5. In establishing the policy evidenced by this Allocation System, the Board has recognised that:
  - a. the object of the Board is to facilitate the capture, for New Zealand and in the interests of the meat industry, of the best possible ongoing returns available from quota markets;
  - b. where authorities in a market have granted access to that market at zero or concessional tariff rates for a particular quantity of meat products imported from New Zealand during any period, the Board must establish and operate a mechanism for the allocation of that quantity; and
  - c. the operation of the allocation mechanism must be likely to maximise the capture for New Zealand of the returns available from the market concerned for the meat products.
- 6. The Board will only issue Certificate(s) of Eligibility under the EU FTA Beef TRQ to a company that has General or New Entrant Quota Allowance obtained in accordance with this Allocation System.
- 7. The Allocation System is, in essence, divided into two parts:
  - a. first, the General Quota Allowance Allocation System (GQA), which governs the allocation of 96.5% of the TRQ. It is based upon Production History over the three Production Seasons immediately prior to the commencement of the Quota Year, and; Export History to the EU market for the three Production Seasons immediately prior to the commencement of the Quota Year.

- i. the Production History tranche will be 80.75%; and
- ii. the Export History tranche will be 15.75%.
- b. second, the New Entrant Allowances Allocation System which allows for the allocation of up to 3.5% of the TRQ to New Entrants ("New Entrant Allowance").
  - New Entrant allowances are available to Registered Exporters on a First Come First Served (FCFS), certificate by certificate basis. A New Entrant must provide proof of use within one month of certificate issue. New Entrant allowances are not transferrable
  - ii. those quota participants accumulating Production History may have access to the New Entrant quota until they have three years of production history
  - iii. those quota participants accumulating Export History may have access to the New Entrant quota until they have three years of export history
  - iv. access to New Entrant Quota for any individual participant is limited to 30% of the total New Entrant Quota Allowance
- 8. New Entrants wanting to obtain access to Quota Allowance will be able to do so by:
  - a. applying to the Board for a portion of New Entrant Quota Allowance, by means of an application for a quota certificate in respect of a single shipment; or
  - b. applying to the Board for General Quota Allowance based on Production History and/or Export History earned in relevant prior seasons; and/or
  - c. acquiring Quota Allowance from an existing quota allowance holder
- 9. If, in any Quota Year, any portion of the New Entrant Quota Allowance is not allocated to or fully utilised by New Entrants the balance will be made available to Qualifying Companies on the terms set out in this Allocation System.
- 10. This Allocation System provides for different procedures in respect of applications for General Quota Allowance (Section 4) and New Entrant Quota Allowances (Section 5).
- 11. The Board retains:
  - a. the discretion to apply this Allocation System as it regards appropriate in relation to any circumstances that are not specifically provided for in this system; and
  - b. the ability to determine the interpretation of the provisions of this document.
- 12. The Board retains the right to suspend all or any of the provisions in this document for any Quota Year when it believes the total TRQ will not be a constraint on the quantity of beef able to be exported to the EU by the industry as a whole. The decision on whether to suspend the provisions will be made by the Board as soon as practicable in any Quota Year, but no later than six weeks before the end of the Quota Year.

# **SECTION 2.**

# **DEFINITIONS**

1						
At Time of Slaughter	means immediately after slaughter floor weighing of a carcass (i.e. immediately after the carcass has crossed the scales).					
Company	includes any company or other legal entity or person, and where applicable any trust or trustee or beneficiary of a Trust (including discretionary beneficiary).					
DG Agri	means the Direct	orate General for	Agriculture			
Eligible Quota Holder	means an export	er registered und	er the Meat Board	l Act 2004		
EU Beef TRQ	means meat cove	means meat covered by CN codes				
	0201	0202	0206.10.95	0206.29.91	0210.20.10	
	0210.20.90	0210.99.51	0210.99.59	ex 1502.10.90 (beef only)	ex 1502.90.90 (beef only)	
	1602.50					
	_		animals that have	been raised under ial feedlots.	· New Zealand's	
	Cross reference: E	EU Customs tariff	- CN Codes; Append	dix Four		
EU FTA Beef Quota Certificate	means a Certificate of Eligibility summarized in Section Ten, issued by the Board in accordance with Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/761, and any subsequent regulations, which records, amongst other things, the New Zealand origin of Beef to be imported into the EU within the provisions of the EU FTA Beef TRQ.					
EU Listed Premises	means premises for the slaughter of livestock which have been listed by the EU competent authority as eligible for exporting bovine product for human consumption to the EU.					
Export History	means the sum of the shipped weight(s) of EU FTA TRQ eligible 0201, 0202, 0206, 0210 and/or 1602 products exported to the EU in a Production Season.					
General Quota Allowance	means the proportion (currently 96.5%) of the TRQ available for allocation by the Board after deductions for New Entrant Quota Allowance, and available in the relevant Quota Year. A holder of General Quota Allowance is a company that holds a portion of the General Quota Allowance.					
General Quota Allowance Allocation Formula	means the formula contained in Section 4, Part 1.					
Hot Weight	means the weight of a dressed carcass at the slaughter floor scales prior to any chilling or freezing.					

New Entrant	means in respect of a Company that is an exporter registered under the Meat Board Act 2004 and made its first year application for a portion of New Entrant allowance, a Company which, during the three years prior to the applicable New Entry Period, has not been allocated and used General Quota Allowance (but which may have purchased Production History, Export History or General Quota Allowance).		
	A Company does not qualify as a New Entrant if, during the three years prior to, or during, the applicable New Entry Period:		
	(a) a related company (as defined in the Companies Act 1993) of that Company; or		
	(b) beneficial shareholders of 50% or more of the shares in that company		
	have between them been allocated General Quota Allowance.		
	For the purpose of this definition a beneficial shareholder is a Company that holds or controls shares in another Company either directly, or indirectly through its control of shareholding in another Company.		
	A New Entrant shall cease to be a New Entrant upon the completion of the New Entry Period.		
New Entrant Quota Allowance	means the 3.5% (or less) of the TRQ set aside by the Board under this Allocation System in the relevant Quota Year in accordance with Section 5. A holder of New Entrant Quota Allowance is a company that holds a portion of the New Entrant Quota Allowance.		
New Entry Period	means in relation to a New Entrant, the Quota Year for which a New Entrant is first allocated New Entrant Quota Allowance and the two following Quota Years.		
Owner of Qualifying Product at Time of	means the owner of Qualifying Product immediately after slaughter floor weighing (I.e.: immediately after the carcass has crossed the scales).		
Slaughter	Ownership for this purpose disregards any reservation of ownership, subject to payment, and disregards any effect on ownership due to a mortgage or charge over the Qualifying Product. The term Qualifying Product Owned at Time of Slaughter has a corresponding meaning.		
Participation Fee	means fixed and variable participation fees and special levies as set out in Section Thirteen, Appendix 2 that may be amended in consultation with quota holders from time to time by the Board.		
	The fixed participation fee is payable with the application for Quota, the variable participation fee is due and payable following the annual allocation process and prior to the commencement of the relevant quota year.		
	A first come first served participation fee will be levied on receipt of the first application for quota and a variable participation fee will be levied on volume of each quota certificated issued.		
Production History	means in respect of a Qualifying Company a figure equal to the amount of Qualifying Product Owned at Time of Slaughter during a full Production Season. That figure will represent the Production History of that Qualifying Company for that Production Season.		
	For clarity, Production History will only begin to be recorded in the first full Production Season following a facility becoming an EU Listed Premises.		
Production Season	means a year commencing the nearest Sunday to 1 October and ending the nearest Saturday to 30 September in the following calendar year.		
Qualifying Company	means a company which:		
	(a) is a registered exporter under the Act; and		
	(b) has been the Owner of Qualifying Product at Time of Slaughter; or		
	(c) has been an exporter of record to the European Union of products covered under this TRQ.		

Qualifying Export(s)	means an export of EU FTA TRQ eligible 0201, 0202, 0206, 0210 and/or 1602 products exported to EU by NZ exporters in shipped weight as recorded on New Zealand Customs Service Export Entry Forms.
Qualifying Product	means bovine meat from livestock slaughtered in EU Listed Premises for bovine meat as appropriate, measured as dressed carcass hot weight.
Qualifying Product Owned at Time of Slaughter	refer to the definition of Owner of Qualifying Product at Time of Slaughter.
Quota Year	means a year commencing 1 January and ending 31 December.
Tariff Rate Quota ("TRQ")	means the Tariff Rate Quota delivered to New Zealand Government under the Free Trade Agreement (FTA) between the parties signed on 10 July 2023 and subsequent agreements. The FTA agreement allows the importation into the EU of specified quantities of bovine products at preferential 7.5% tariff. Imports within the EU FTA Beef Tariff Rate Quota are known as "in-quota" imports.

# **SECTION 3.**

# CALENDAR

September	10	August Production Reports due
	30	Production Season closes on the nearest Saturday to 30 September
October	1	Production Season opens on the nearest Sunday to 1 October
		Companies to advise Board if they will use all General Quota Allowance allocated to them in the current Quota Year
	10	September (complete season) Production Reports due
	15	Applications from companies (including Year 2 and Year 3 New Entrants) for General Quota Allowance for the following Quota Year close
		Transfers of Production History must be confirmed by the Board by this date
		Board to have advised companies of reallocations of unused quota
November	10	October Production Reports due
December	10	Board to have advised companies of General Quota Allowance Allocations by this date
		November Production Reports due
	31	Quota Year ends
January	1	Quota Year commences
	10	December Production Reports due
February	10	January Production Reports due
March	10	February Production Reports due
April	10	March Production Reports due
May	10	April Production Reports due
June	10	May Production Reports due
July	10	June Production Reports due
August	10	July Production Reports due
		Cross-reference: Transfers and Unused Quota Allowance; Section 8; Forms, Section 14, Form 2.

#### **SECTION 4.**

# GENERAL QUOTA ALLOWANCE ALLOCATION SYSTEM

The Allocation System is, in essence, divided into two parts:

- a. first, the General Quota Allowance Allocation System (GQA), which governs the allocation of 96.5% of the TRQ. It is based upon Production History over the three Production Seasons immediately prior to the commencement of the Quota Year, and; Export History to the EU market for the three Production Seasons immediately prior to the commencement of the Quota Year.
  - i. The Production History tranche will be 80.75%; and
  - ii. The Export History tranche will be 15.75%.
- b. second, the New Entrant Allowances Allocation System which allows for the allocation of up to 3.5% of the TRQ to New Entrants ("New Entrant Allowance").

Cross-reference: New Entrant Quota Allowance Mechanism Section Five

A Qualifying Company wanting to obtain access to quota allowance will be able to do so by:

- c. applying to the Board for a portion of the General Quota Allowance based upon its Production History; and/or
- d. applying to the Board for a portion of the General Quota Allowance based upon its Export History; and/or
- e. acquiring quota allowance from an existing quota allowance holder; or
- f. applying to the Board as New Entrant for a quota certificate on a first come first served basis (refer Section Five).

#### Basis of General Quota Allowance Allocation System

1. General Quota Allowance (GQA) will comprise two sub allowances - a Production History based allowance from qualifying production history (GQP) and an Export History based allowance (GQE) from qualifying export history.

General Quota Allowance will be allocated for a Quota Year to an applicant Qualifying Company in accordance with the following General Quota Allowance Allocation Formula:

$$GQA = GQP + GQE$$

#### where:

**GQA** is General Quota Allowance and is comprised of:

- GQP is Production History Allowance; and/or
- **GQE** is Export History Allowance.

#### **Production History Allowance**

$$PGQP = \frac{(PH_{i-3} + PH_{i-2} + PH_{i-1})}{(TPH_{i-3} + TPH_{i-2} + TPH_{i-1})} \times GQP$$

#### where:

**PGQP** = the portion of the EUTRQ (in tonnes) to be allocated to the Qualifying Company in the relevant Quota Year.

**PH** = a Qualifying Company's Production History for a Production Season.

**GQP** = The portion of the EUTRQ to be allocated on the basis of Production History in the relevant quota year

**TPH** = the sum of the Production Histories for a Production Season of all applicants in the relevant Quota Year.

i = the Production Season commencing in the year prior to the relevant Quota Year

i-1 = the Production Season before i.

i-2 = the Production Season before i-1.

i-3 = the Production Season before i-2.

#### **Export History Allowance**

$$PGQE = \frac{(EH_{i-3} + EH_{i-2} + EH_{i-1})}{(TEH_{i-3} + TEH_{i-2} + TEH_{i-1})}$$
 x GQE

#### where:

**EH** = a Qualifying Company's Export History for a Production Season.

**PGQE** = the portion of the Export History Quota Allowance (in tonnes) to be allocated to the Qualifying Company in the relevant Quota Year.

**GQE** = The portion of the TRQ to be allocated on the basis of Export History in the relevant quota year

**TEH** = the sum of the Export Histories for a Production Season of all applicants in the relevant Quota Year.

i = the Production Season commencing in the year prior to the relevant Quota Year

i-1 = the Production Season before i.

i-2 = the Production Season before i-1.

i-3 = the Production Season before i-2.

- 2. All measurement of Qualifying Product shall be made in accordance with the definition of Qualifying Product.
- 3. If at any time there is an interruption to the importation into the EU of beef from New Zealand which prevents the utilisation of any portion of the General Quota Allowance as contemplated, the Board may in subsequent Quota Years, apply the General Quota Allowance Allocation Formula with such modification as is necessary to take into account the interruption, as in the opinion of the Board, best meets the intentions of that formula.
- 4. Production History and/or Export History, may be recorded preliminary to an application for Quota Allowance in a subsequent year.

#### **SECTION 5.**

#### NEW ENTRANT ALLOWANCES ALLOCATION SYSTEM

#### A. NEW ENTRANT ALLOWANCES ALLOCATION SYSTEM

The New Entrant Allowances Allocation System takes into account the fact that New Entrants may not have a Production History and/or Export History.

The Board shall reserve up to 3.5% of the TRQ as New Entrant Quota Allowance for possible allocation to New Entrants.

New Entrant allowances are available to Registered Exporters on a First Come First Served (FCFS), certificate by certificate basis. A New Entrant must provide proof of use within one month of certificate issue. New Entrant allowances are not transferrable.

Those quota participants accumulating Production History and/or Export History may have access to the New Entrant quota until they have three years of Production History and/or Export History.

Access to New Entrant Quota for any individual participant is limited to 30% of the total New Entrant Quota Allowance.

New Entrants wanting to obtain access to Quota Allowance will be able to do so by:

- a. applying to the Board for General Quota Allowance based on Production History and/or Export History earned in relevant prior seasons; and/or
- b. applying to the Board for a portion of New Entrant Quota Allowance, by means of an application for a quota certificate in respect of a single shipment
- c. acquiring Quota Allowance from an existing quota allowance holder.

#### Eligibility

The Board may allocate New Entrant Quota Allowance to a New Entrant if the Board is satisfied that the applicant:

- a. is a New Entrant both at the time of application and will continue to be at all times during the applicable New Entry Period; Refer 'New Entrant' definition in Section Two
- b. has supplied to the Board all information that has been requested by the Board and is necessary to enable this Allocation System to operate effectively;
- c. has not incurred a penalty under section 34 of the Act or any penalty provision of any replacement legislation;

**Restrictions** No new entrant shall be entitled to more than 30% of the total new entrant quota, except after handback. Refer Section 8, Part B

#### Procedure

#### A. Application

Application for a quota allowance is by application for a quota certificate on a shipment by shipment basis.

Precedence shall be on the basis of date of application provided that no application shall be made for an export that is due to be shipped more than one month later than the application date.

An entity must apply for a quota certificate (volume) and pay the appropriate participation and certification fees.

#### B. Reservation of quota allowances

Upon receipt of an application and there being sufficient quota available once precedence has been applied, a contingent allocation of a New Entrant Quota allowance in the amount requested in the application shall be transferred to the applicant.

#### C. Quota Certificate Issuance

Upon receipt within one month of application of an eligibility document matching the application, a quota certificate will be issued.

#### Performance based application window

Where an applicant has applied for a quota allowance 5% or more, greater than required for shipment, the applicant will have their application window reduced from one month (four weeks) to three weeks, and if repeated to two weeks.

Cross-reference: Definitions "New Entrant" and "New Entry Period"; Section 2.

#### B. SAMPLES

- 1. The Board will set aside five tonnes of New Entrant Quota Allowance for each Quota Year which may at the discretion of the Board be utilised by any Qualifying Company or New Entrant for the exportation of sample beef packages to the EU, where the sample will be provided for the purpose of seeking to establish a new or improved product, or market niche, not provided by existing exporters.
- 2. Any New Entrant Quota Allowance set aside for samples not utilised or reserved for use by 1 October shall be allocated in accordance with Section 8, Part B.

Refer to: Meat Board Act 2004, Section 51

#### **SECTION 6.**

#### INDUSTRY AGREED DISCIPLINES

- 1. All holders and users of Quota Allowance will be subject to Industry Agreed Disciplines relating to the EU.
- 2. An Industry Agreed Discipline made under this Allocation System is a discipline agreed to in writing by holders of 70% or more of General Quota Allowance and agreed to by the Board.
- 3. All current Industry Agreed Disciplines will be recorded in Appendix One.
- 4. The Board may only establish an Industry Agreed Discipline in order to ensure that the conduct of the trade in beef from New Zealand to the EU is, in the opinion of the Board, helping to attain, in the interests of livestock farmers, the best possible net ongoing returns for New Zealand livestock, meat products and co-products, and ensuring that the meat industry is making the best possible net ongoing contribution to the New Zealand economy.
- 5. The Board will provide to all Quota Allowance holders, a notice to be included in Appendix One where an Industry Agreed Discipline has been established in accordance with paragraph 2 above. The notice will outline the Industry Agreed Discipline and date of implementation.
- 6. Industry Agreed Disciplines shall not prevent the Board from taking steps necessary to ensure the effective access of beef from New Zealand into the EU.

Cross-reference: General Provisions; Section 9, Part C

Amendment of System: Consultation Process; Section 12

Industry Agreed Disciplines: Section 13, Appendix One

#### SECTION 7.

# ADMINISTRATION OF GENERAL QUOTA ALLOWANCE ALLOCATIONS

#### A. PROVISION OF INFORMATION

- 1. A Company holding Quota Allowance, or a Company without Production History that intends making an application for General Quota for the following Quota Year, will be required to submit to the Board, on a monthly basis or as otherwise requested by the Board, information necessary to enable this Allocation System to operate effectively.
- 2. Such information will include details as to the quantity of its actual production of Qualifying Product and be provided in the manner set out in Section 13, Form 1.
- 3. A Company holding Quota Allowance, or a Company without Export History that intends making an application for General Quota for the following year, will have its Export History received via section 65 of the Meat Board Act 2004.
- 4. This provision of Production and Export History information will be monitored on an ongoing basis by the Board.
- 5. The Board may require that any information provided to it be verified by such reasonable means as the Board sees fit.
- 6. The information referred to in paragraphs 1 5 above must also be provided to the Board in a year in which it is determined that allocations of General Quota Allowance will be suspended because the TRQ is unlikely to be filled, on the basis that the information will be needed by the Board for calculation of the allocation of General Quota Allowances in subsequent years.
- 7. The onus shall be on each company to:
  - a. ensure that all information provided by it to the Board is correct and accurate; and
  - b. correct any inaccurate information it has already provided to the Board.

Cross-reference: General Provisions; Section 9, Part A

#### **B. STATUTORY DECLARATIONS**

The Board may at any time request that a company provide to it a statutory declaration regarding any relevant information which the Board may require as necessary to enable the Allocation System to operate effectively.

#### C. BOARD APPOINTED AUDITOR

- 1. Audits of information supplied to the Board for the purpose of seeking General Quota Allowance allocation will be undertaken, as the Board sees fit, by an auditor appointed by the Board; that auditor may be the company's external auditor under the Financial Reporting Act 2013.
- 2. The costs of the auditor are to be paid by the company seeking General Quota Allowance in the manner determined by the Board from time to time.

#### D. CO-OPERATION WITH AUDITING PROCESS

- 1. The Owner of Qualifying Product at Time of Slaughter, or Export History will be required to cooperate with any Board appointed auditor and shall give such an auditor full access to the company's relevant records.
- 2. Visits by auditors to head offices, branches and plants may take place at any time.

#### E. REPORT FROM COMPANY'S AUDITOR

A holder of, or claimant to, General Quota Allowance may be required by the Board to instruct the company's external auditor to receive audit instructions from the Board, to verify all claims and declarations relevant to Quota Allowance Allocations. The costs of the external auditor are to be paid by the company.

#### **SECTION 8.**

# TRANSFERS AND UNUSED QUOTA ALLOWANCE

#### A. TRANSFER OF QUOTA ALLOWANCE

- 1. A holder of an export registration certificate issued under the Act may acquire General Quota Allowance from a holder of General Quota Allowance.
- 2. Such a transfer will only apply to the relevant Quota Year, and will not comprise a transfer of Production or Export History.
- 3. All transfers of quota allowance must be completed in the manner set out in Section 14, Form 2 and must be signed by authorised signatories of both the Transferor and the Transferee.
- 4. The Board will upon receipt of a properly completed transfer form confirm that at the date of receipt the Transferor has sufficient Quota Allowance for such a transfer to be completed.
- 5. Transfers shall have no effect until confirmed by the Board in accordance with paragraph 4 above.

Cross-reference: General Provisions; Section 9, Part A

#### B. UNUSED GENERAL QUOTA ALLOWANCE

- 1. On or before 1 October of a Quota Year all holders of General Quota Allowance must notify the Board in writing if they will not utilise any portion (the portion to be specified by them) of allowance allocated for that Quota Year (and which they have not transferred by a completed transfer confirmed by the Board by that date). The Board upon receipt of such advice will use its best endeavours to reallocate such unused portions to Qualifying Companies within one week, and if not, by 15 October.
- 2. On receipt by the Board of notification by a company, under paragraph 1 above, the specified amount of the allowance will revert to the Board for allocation in accordance with paragraph 3 below.
- 3. The Board shall reallocate in order of precedence to:
  - a. in the case where demand for access to returned quota exceeds the volume returned to the Board then it will be reallocated in proportion to the percentage of every such holder's initial allocation of General Quota Allowance for that Quota Year.
  - b. in the case where demand for access to returned quota is less than the volume returned to the Board then
    - i. on demand to General Quota holders then
    - ii. any remaining quota to be made available on a first come first served, certificate by certificate basis (with the 30% limit for New Entrants removed)

4. If a holder of General Quota Allowance (Transferor) transfers Quota to any other party (Transferee) and at the end of the Quota Year the Transferee holds unused Quota (Unused Quota) which includes all or part of such transferred Quota and the Transferee does not make application either for General or New Entrant Quota Allowance for the following Quota Year in excess of the Unused Quota, the Transferor shall be deemed to have held as at the end of the Quota Year in which such transfer was made, in addition to any unused quota actually held, the lesser of such unused Quota or the Quota which was transferred.

For the purposes of determining whether Unused Quota includes all or part of the Quota transferred, a Transferee shall be deemed to have used first the Quota the Transferee has held the longest, and if there is dispute as to the calculation of Unused Quota such shall be determined by an auditor appointed by the Board.

5. The Board may take action or impose penalties, including under Sections 24(4) and 34 of the Act, in relation to those quota holders that have unused quota remaining at the end of the Quota Year.

The Board will not take such action or impose such penalties if the amount of quota remaining unused by the company does not exceed a tolerance level of 0.5% of the company's quota allowance, or 25 tonnes whichever is the higher.

A company exceeding the tolerance will have 2 times the amount of underutilization exceeding the tolerance deducted from its quota allocation in the next Quota Year.

The Board will advise industry annually in September of any potential penalty situations.

Cross-reference: General Provisions; Section 9, Part A

#### C. TRANSFER OF PRODUCTION OR EXPORT HISTORY

- 1. Where a company (including one in liquidation or receivership) wishes to sell or otherwise transfer all, or part, of its Production or Export History, then that Production or Export History will be able to be transferred if:
  - a. the Production or Export History is sold or otherwise transferred to a Qualifying Company or a New Entrant; and
  - b. the Board has approved of the Transferee of that Production or Export History, which approval shall be in writing and shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- 2. Applications for the transfer of Production or Export History, or any part of it, shall be completed by the Transferor and the Transferee in the manner set out in Section 14, Form 3 and must be signed by authorised signatories of both the Transferor and the Transferee.
- 3. Except where paragraph 1 above applies the purported transfer of a company's Production or Export History will automatically result in the Production or Export History of the company being cancelled and no longer forming part of TPH or TEH as defined in Sections 4 and 5.
- 4. Subject to paragraph 7 below, where there is a transfer of Production or Export History in accordance with paragraph 1 above, the Production or Export History will be valid in respect of any allocation of General Quota Allowance to the Transferee in any future Quota Year in

terms of the General Quota Allowance Allocation Formula, as if the Transferee had been the Transferor.

- 5. Any company seeking to transfer its Production or Export History under paragraph 1 above, and the proposed Transferee, shall provide to the Board all information requested by the Board.
- 6. The transfer of Production or Export History will not be effective until confirmed by the Board and notice of the transfer has been given by the Board to the Transferee.
- 7. For the purpose of calculating the entitlement to General Quota Allowance for any Quota Year a transfer of Production or Export History must have been confirmed by the Board by 15 October prior to the commencement of the relevant Quota Year, or such other date as the Board allows.
- 8. A New Entrant shall not be permitted, at any time during its New Entrant Period and for 3 years after the end of its New Entry Period, to transfer, sell or otherwise dispose of any Production or Export History accruing as a result of its New Entrant status, including Production or Export History.
- 9. Subject to any other provision in this manual, transfer of Production or Export History not resulting from New Entrant status, i.e. Production or Export History equal to amounts of quota purchased, or Production or Export History exceeding the amount of quota held in a given Quota Year, will not be restricted.

Cross-reference: Section 9, Part A

#### **SECTION 9.**

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### A. NON-COMPLIANCE

- 1. Reference is made to section 34 of the Act which addresses the action that the Board may take in certain circumstances.
- 2. Where any General Quota Allowance is no longer permitted to be utilised by the holder pursuant to section 34 of the Act, the General Quota Allowance shall be allocated by the Board to non-offending holders of General Quota Allowance which seek a portion of that quota allowance for the remainder of the relevant Quota Year, in proportion to the percentage of every such holder's initial allocation of General Quota Allowance for that Quota Year.
- 3. The Board may, at its discretion, not enforce any of the provisions of section 34 of the Act if, in its view, the failure to use General Quota Allowance or the use of an excess quantity of the General Quota Allowance held by a company is of a minor nature, and no other holder of General Quota Allowance has been disadvantaged by that use, or within the tolerance level permitted by the Board.

#### **B** LIMITATION OF ACCESS

Where there has been an alteration of the amount of total access to the TRQ allocated or set aside under this Allocation System in respect of the relevant Quota Year then the Board will, in terms of section 24 of the Act, determine any adjustment of quota allowance.

#### **C** NOTICES

- 1. Any notice required to be issued by the Board to a company under this Allocation System will be valid if given in writing:
  - a. by posting it to the company's postal address provided to the Board by the company; or
  - b. by sending it by electronic mail to an address provided to the Board by the company; or
  - c. by any other means provided for service of documents under the Companies Act 1993.
- 2. Where a document is posted to the Board or a company it shall be deemed to be received by the Board or the company on the fourth working day after being posted.

#### SECTION 10.

# EU FTA BEEF EXPORT CERTIFICATE

#### A COMPLETION OF THE EU FTA BEEF CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY

- 1. European Union Certificate of Eligibility
- 2. The format of the EU FTA Beef Certificate of Eligibility has been designed to conform with the standard aligned export documentation system, to enable exporters to enter the greater part of the required information at the same time as other export documents are being prepared. Exporters must complete the following sections of the document as follows and submit via electronic documentation system interface with NZMB export systems:

(Note minimum font size allowed is 8pt)

- **Section 1** Full name and postal address of the exporter. The exporter reference is optional.
- **Section 4** Full name, address and country of receiving consignee. It is imperative that the consignee's correct name and address is shown on all EU FTA Beef Certificate(s) of Eligibility
- **Section 5** Country of Origin = New Zealand
- **Section 6** The description of goods must include the following details:
  - New Zealand Export Meat Product Identification Code(s) (EMPICs) for each product type

Cross-reference: Section 14, Appendix Five, EMPIC Codes

- b. Product type i.e.: beef
- c. Description of goods i.e.: bone-in or boneless;
- d. Method of presentation i.e.: whether in frozen or chilled form
- e. Number and kind of packages i.e.: cartons;
- f. ME number of processing facility or the product for which the Certificate is being issued.
- **Section 7** Gross weight (kgs) of each product line.
- **Section 8** Net weight (kgs) of each product line.

**Section 9** Calculated carcass weight equivalent (kgs) of each product line.

The following conversion factors shall be used to convert product weight to carcass weight equivalent for the products covered by order number 09.4456.

CN Code	Co-efficient/Conversion Factor
0201 10 00	100%
0201 20 20	100%
0201 20 30	100%
0201 20 50	100%
0201 20 90	100%
0201 30 00	130%
0202 10 00	100%
0202 20 10	100%
0202 20 30	100%
0202 20 50	100%
0202 20 90	100%
0202 30 10	130%
0202 30 50	130%
0202 30 90	130%
0206 10 95	100%
0206 29 91	100%
0210 20 10	100%
0210 20 90	135%
0210 99 51	100%
0210 99 59	100%
1602 50 10	100%
1602 50 31	100%
1602 50 95	100%

**Section 10** There is only one order number for the EU Beef FTA TRQ 09.4456

**Section 12** Complete the total carcass weight equivalent (kgs) of items covered by this certificate

The Board will complete the following sections of the document:

**Section 2** The individual serial number The original and copies of each Certificate of Eligibility will bear the same serial number.

**Attestation** the date of issue, seal and signature

#### **B** ISSUING PROCEDURES

1. A certificate will be issued subject to the originating plant having a satisfactory and valid Quota Compliance Verification System audit.

#### 2. Wellington:

- Exporters shall electronically submit to the Board data covering each consignment of quota eligible product for validation and issuing. The Board will return original documentation to the exporter for sharing with the EU importer.
- In view of the obvious need to expedite the dispatch of documents to consignees, the Board will endeavour to process and return certificates within 24 hours of their receipt. Exporters are required to supply their own courier packs for the return of the certificates.

#### 3. Brussels:

• Exporters should advise the Wellington office of the Board of each certificate so that a serial number can be assigned to it. Exporters should also submit to the Brussels office of the Board delivery instructions.

#### C REISSUE OF CERTIFICATES

Situations may arise whereby a reissue of a certificate is required. In such circumstances, the exporter should apply to the office of the Board in either Brussels or Wellington to have the certificate reissued. Should an importer apply to the Brussels office for replacement of a certificate, permission to reissue will be sought from the exporter before a certificate can be replaced.

#### D CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATION CHARGES

The certification charges listed in Section 13, Appendix Two (Schedule of Fees) will apply.

#### E REPORTING TO THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION

- As part of the requirements of the Commission Implementing Regulation No. 2020/761 the Board must report to the Commission regularly, or daily in the case of airfreights. This information is loaded into an EU Portal for direct access by EU Member State Licensing Authorities.
- 2. The country of import must be aligned to the country where the consignee is domiciled when applying for a certificate in order to avoid delays in the issuance of import licences.

#### **SECTION 11.**

# GENERAL QUOTA ALLOWANCE: PROCEDURES

#### A ADMINISTRATION

- 1. General Quota Allowance allocations will be made annually by the Board in accordance with the General Quota Allowance Allocation Formula (Section 4) on or before the commencement of the Quota Year for which the allocation is being made.
- 2. Every application for an allocation of General Quota Allowance, including an application to record Production History preliminary to an application for Quota Allowance in a subsequent year, shall:
  - a. be made in writing on Section 14, Form 4 or via the New Zealand Meat Board website (as appropriate) and must be lodged with the Board on or before 15 October of the year prior to the commencement of the Quota Year. (In completing the application form the applicant will agree to be bound by the terms set out in this Allocation System); and
  - b. be accompanied by any participation fees set by the Board.

 ${\it Cross-reference: General\ Quota\ Allowance\ Allocation\ System; Section\ 4}$ 

Schedule of Fees: Section 13, Appendix Two

#### B TIMING OF ADVICE OF ALLOCATION

- 1. The Board will use its best endeavour to advise companies of their allocation of General Quota Allowance on or before 10 December prior to the commencement of the Quota Year for which the allocation is being made
- 2. Any additional allocation of General Quota Allowance, General Quota Allowance forfeited by another company, or an increase or decrease in the total quantity covered by the TRQ, to holders of General Quota Allowance will be advised as soon as is practicable.

#### **SECTION 12.**

#### AMENDMENT OF SYSTEM: CONSULTATION PROCESS

- 1. The Allocation System may be amended at any time in accordance with the Act.
- 2. The Board will not amend the Allocation System without consulting those persons required to be consulted in terms of the Act.
- 3. The process of consultation shall be:
  - a. The Board will give notice in writing to those persons required to be consulted in terms of the Act, outlining the provisions of the proposed amendments and requesting a written response within a period of not less than 14 days. The response shall set forth any objections to the proposed amendments and provide particulars as to how those objections might be met.
  - b. Those persons required to be consulted in terms of the Act shall, if they so request be entitled to appear before the Board and may make submissions orally, or in writing, regarding the proposed amendments.
  - c. The Board shall consider all responses and written or oral submissions made to it, and such other information as it considers appropriate and shall then determine whether or not to proceed with amendments.

# **SECTION 13.**

# **APPENDICES**

**Appendix One**: Industry Agreed Disciplines

**Appendix Two**: Schedule of Fees

**Appendix Three**: Summary of EU FTA Beef TRQ Access

**Appendix Four**: EU Customs Tariff ("Out of Quota") - CN Codes

**Appendix Five**: EMPIC Codes

**Appendix Six**: Quota Allowance Allocation System - Guidance Note

# **APPENDIX 1:**

# **INDUSTRY AGREED DISCIPLINES**

Currently there are no industry agreed disciplines for this quota.

### **APPENDIX 2:**

# SCHEDULE OF FEES

The following schedule details fees charged for activities within the Allocation System, in anticipation of entry into force of the EU FTA.

	\$ (G.S.T) exclusive
Application for Quota Allowance (annual)	
Fixed Participation Fee	3,000.00
New Entrant (First come First Served) Application Fee	1,500.00
Variable Participation Fee (per tonne)	2.40
Special Levy (per tonne)	[TBC]
Certificate of Origin (per certificate)	
Wellington Issued Certificate (electronic)	10.00
Wellington Issued Certificate (manual)	100.00
- Not issued	30.00
- Cancelled	30.00
Brussels Issued Certificate	
- Sea Freight	200.00
- Air Freight	150.00
Transfers General Quota	
General Quota	50.00
Production History	500.00
Quota Utilisation Reports	Nil
Miscellaneous	
Production History Audit	Actual cost
Company Compliance Audits*	Actual cost
Courier to/within the EU	Actual cost

<sup>\*</sup> Approval of company procedures and audits of compliance with those procedures or carried out by independent auditors at the company's expense.

#### Notes:

- 1. In the case of certificate cancellation, a fee is paid for the original issuing of the certificate and again for cancellation of the certificate and crediting of the exporter quota balance.
- 2. A reasonable charge, intended to cover actual and reasonable costs, will be discussed with exporters requiring special work to be undertaken by the Board's staff in respect of quota activities.

## **APPENDIX 3:**

# SUMMARY OF EU FTA BEEF TRQ ACCESS

#### **SUMMARY OF ANNUAL QUOTA AMOUNT**

The volume of originating goods of New Zealand described as TRQ-1 Beef, Appendix 4, shall be permitted in each year to enter the European Union at a preferential duty of 7.5%, is:

#### Years 1 to 7 and subsequent years

(tonnes - carcass weight equivalent)

Year 0-EIF	3,333*
Year 1	4,286
Year 2	5,238
Year 3	6,190
Year 4	7,143
Year 5	8,095
Year 6	9,048
Year 7and subsequent years	10,000

<sup>\*</sup> The volume for 2024 following entry into force on 1 May 2024 was pro-rated to 2,231.

Cross Reference: Section Two, Definitions: EU Beef TRQ

 $\textit{Refer Section Thirteen, Appendix Four for summary of EU HS codes available under the EU-NZ FTA\ TRQ$ 

# **APPENDIX 4:**

# EU CUSTOMS TARIFF ("OUT OF QUOTA") - CN CODES

• for more comprehensive descriptions of EU HS Customs Tariff classifications please refer to the online tariff schedule

https://ec.europa.eu/taxation\_customs/dds2/taric/taric\_consultation.jsp?Lang=en

02 CHAPTER 2 - MEAT AND EDIBLE MEAT OFFAL					
0201	Meat of bovine animals, fresh or chilled:				
0201.10.00	Carcases and half-carcases	12,8 + 176,8 EUR/100 kg	TRQ-1 Beef		
	Other cuts with bone in:				
0201.20.20	Compensated' quarters	12,8 + 176,8 EUR/100 kg	TRQ-1 Beef		
0201.20.30	Unseparated or separated forequarters	12,8 + 141,4 EUR/100 kg	TRQ-1 Beef		
0201.20.50	Unseparated or separated hindquarters	12,8 + 212,2 EUR/100 kg	TRQ-1 Beef		
0201.20.90	• Other	12,8 + 265,2 EUR/100 kg	TRQ-1 Beef		
0201.30.00	• Boneless	12,8 + 303,4 EUR/100 kg	TRQ-1 Beef		
0202	Meat of bovine animals, frozen:				
0202.10.00	Carcases and half carcases	12,8 + 176,8 EUR/100 kg	TRQ-1 Beef		
	Other cuts with bone-in:				
0202.20.10	'Compensated' quarters	12,8 + 176,8 EUR/100 kg	TRQ-1 Beef		
0202.20.30	Unseparated or separated forequarters	12,8 + 141,4 EUR/100 kg	TRQ-1 Beef		
0202.20.50	Unseparated or separated hindquarters	12,8 + 221,1 EUR/100 kg	TRQ-1 Beef		
0202.20.90	• Other	12,8 + 265,3 EUR/100 kg	TRQ-1 Beef		
	Boneless:				
0202.30.10	Forequarters, whole or cut into a maximum of five pieces, each quarter being in a single block; 'compensated' quarters in two blocks, one of which contains the forequarter, whole or cut into a maximum of five pieces, and the other, the hindquarter, excluding the tenderloin, in one piece	12,8 + 221,1 EUR/100 kg	TRQ-1 Beef		
0202.30.50	Crop, chuck and blade and brisket cuts	12,8 + 221,1 EUR/100 kg	TRQ-1 Beef		
0202.30.90	• Other	12,8 + 304,1 EUR/100 kg	TRQ-1 Beef		
0206	Edible offal of bovine animals, swine, sheep, goats, horses, asses, mules or hinnies, fresh, chilled or frozen:				
	Of bovine animals, fresh or chilled				
0206.10.10	For the manufacture of pharmaceutical products	0	A		
0206.10.95 0206.10.98	<ul> <li>Other</li> <li>Thick skirt and thin skirt</li> <li>Other</li> </ul>	12,8 + 303,4 EUR/100 kg 0	TRQ-1 Beef		

	Of bovine animals, frozen:		
0206.21.00	– Tongues	0	A
0206.22.00	– Livers	0	A
0206.29.10	Other     For the manufacture of pharmaceutical products	0	A
0206.29.91 0206.29.99	Other     Thick skirt and thin skirt     Other	12,8 + 304,1 EUR/100 kg	TRQ-1 Beef
0210 0210.20.10	Meat and edible meat offal, salted, in brine, dried or smoked; edible flours and meals of meat or meat offal		
0210.99.51 0210.99.59	Of bovine animals     Thick skirt and thin skirt     Other	15,4 + 303,4 EUR/100 kg 12,8	TRQ-1 Beef TRQ-1 Beef

CHAPTER 15 - ANIMAL OR VEGETABLE FATS AND OILS AND THEIR CLEAVAGE PRODUCTS; PREPARED EDIBLE FATS; ANIMAL OR VEGETABLE WAXES					
1502	Fats of bovine animals, sheep or goats, other than those of heading 1503				
	• Tallow				
1502.10.10	Other     For industrial uses other than the manufacture of foodstuffs for human consumption	0	A		
1502.10.90	• Other	3,2	TRQ-1 Beef (beef) / B7 (non-beef)		
1502.90.10	For industrial uses other than the manufacture of foodstuffs for human consumption	0	A		
1502.90.90	• Other	3,2	TRQ-1 Beef (beef) / B7 (non-beef)		

• For tariff lines ex 1502.10.90 and ex 1502.90.90, the applicable in-quota tariff rate shall be 3,2%, the base rate of customs duty set out in Appendix 2-A-1 (Tariff schedule of the European Union).

0602	Other prepared or preserved meat, meat offal or blood		
1602.10.00	Homogenised preparations	16,6	A
1602.50	Of bovine animals		
1602.50.10	Other     Uncooked; mixtures of cooked meat or offal and uncooked meat or offal	303,4 EUR/100 kg	TRQ-1 Beef
1602.50.31 1602.50.95	<ul><li>Corned beef, in airtight containers</li><li>Other</li></ul>	16,6 16,6	TRQ-1 Beef TRQ-1 Beef

1602.90	Other, including preparations of blood of any animal		
1602.90.10	<ul> <li>Preparations of blood of any animal</li> </ul>	16,6	A
	Containing bovine meat or offal		
1602.90.61	<ul> <li>Uncooked; mixtures of cooked meat or offal and uncooked meat or offal</li> </ul>	303,4 EUR/100 kg	A
1602.90.69	– Other	16,6	A

- customs duties on originating goods provided for in the items in staging category "A" in the Tariff schedule of a Party shall be eliminated on the date of entry into force of this Agreement;
- the ad valorem component of the customs duties on originating goods provided for in the items in staging category "A (EP)" in Appendix 2-A-1 (Tariff schedule of the European Union) shall be eliminated on the date of entry into force of this Agreement. For greater certainty, the specific duty on originating goods triggered in a situation where the import price falls below the entry price1 shall be maintained;

# **APPENDIX 5:**

# EMPIC CODES (EXPORT MEAT PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION)

#### **BEEF - GRASS FED**

Same Number for Chilled or Frozen, Number ends with either C or F

0 10210 10 10220 10 10230 10 10240 - 10299	-	- - - - 10499	- - -
10220 10 10230 10 10240	-	-	- - - -
0 10230 0 10240	-	-	- - -
0 10240	-	-	- -
			-
- 10299	10399	10499	-
.0 11210	-	-	11910
5 11215	-	-	11915
0 11220	11320	-	11920
0 11230	-	-	11930
9 11299	11399	11499	11999
,	.5 11215 20 11220 30 11230	.5 11215 - 20 11220 11320 30 11230 -	.5 11215 20 11220 11320 - 30 11230

VEAL				
	Bobby Veal	White Veal		
ccs/sides	10580	10680		
other quarters	10599	10699		
BONEIN				
legs	11530	11630		
other	11599	11699		
BONELESS				
legs	12530	-		
striploin	12531	-		
backstrap	12539	-		
trunks	12560	-		
trimmings	12570	-		
other	12599	12699		

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	Premium	Prime	Bull	Manuf	YLB (XY)
BONELESS					
Inside/topside	12101	12201	12301	12401	12901
outside/silverside	12102	12202	12302	12402	12902
flat	12103	12203	12303	12403	12903
eye of round	12104	12204	12304	12404	12904
knuckle	12111	12211	12311	12411	12911
thick flank	12112	12212	12312	12412	12912
thin flank	12113	12213	12313	12413	12913
rump/top sirloin	12121	12221	12321	12421	12921
striploin	12131	12231	12331	12431	12931
tenderloin	12132	12232	12332	12432	12932
rib eye/cube roll	12141	12241	12341	12441	12941
shoulder clod	12151	12251	12351	12451	12951
brisket point end	12161	12261	12361	12461	12961
brisket navel end	12162	12262	12362	12462	12962
chuck	12163	12263	12363	12463	12963
chuck roll	12164	12264	12364	12464	12964
chuck tender	12165	12265	12365	12465	12965
shank	12167	12267	12367	12467	12967
flanksteak	12168	12268	12368	12468	12968
trimmings - upto 65cl	12170	12270	12370	12470	-
trimmings - over 65cl	12175	12275	12375	12475	-
< 84cl (not trimmings)	-	-	12380	12480	-
85-89 cl	-	-	12385	12485	12985
90-92 cl	-	-	12390	12490	12990
93-94 cl	-	-	12393	12493	12993
95 cl & over	-	-	12395	12495	12995
100 vl	-	-	12398	12498	12998
other	12199	12299	12399	12499	12999

Beef - Fancy         B/Ver           FANCY         3000           sweetbreads         13000           brains         13010           hearts         13020           kidneys         13030	13500 13510 13520 13530 13540 13550
sweetbreads         13000           brains         13010           hearts         13020	13510 13520 13530 13540
brains         13010           hearts         13020	13510 13520 13530 13540
hearts 13020	13520 13530 13540
	13530 13540
kidneys 13030	13540
livers 13040	13550
tongues 13050	-
thick skirts 13061	
thin skirts 13062	-
heads 13070	-
cheeks 13071	-
tripe 13075	-
tail 13080	-
lungs 13085	-
bones 13090	13590
other fancy meats 13099	13599
INEDIBLE BEEF 14000	
PROCESSED 15000	
OTHER	
other meats 19000	
corned - canned 19011	

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#### ADDITIONAL PRODUCTS NB: Inclusion in this list does not imply a preferential tariff under the UK FTA Beef TRQ or EU FTA Beef TRQ X denotes fresh, chillled, frozen or other Fresh or chilled beef offal for 13095C Beef, processed, edible flours and 15400x Beef, processed, other, prepared or 15390x pharmaceutical products meals preserved, uncooked Frozen beef offal for pharmaceutical 13095F Beef, processed, liver sausages 15234x Beef, processed, other, corned (in airtight 15120x products containers) Beef, processed, bone-in, preserved Other beef sausuages (not liver or Beef, processed, other, prepared or 15110x 15299x 15500x preserved, cooked blood) Beef, processed, boneless, preserved Beef, processed, offal sausages 15230x 95800x 15120x Any animal, blood products Beef, thick or thin skirt, preserved Sausages of blood (any animal) 95239x Preparations of meat or meat offal 15136x 95910x CONTAINING beef or beef offal, uncooked Beef, other offal, preserved Beef, processed, liver products (not 15139x 15340x Preparations of meat or meat offal 95920x sausages) CONTAINING beef or beef offal, cooked

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#### **APPENDIX 6:**

# QUOTA ALLOWANCE ALLOCATION SYSTEM - GUIDANCE NOTE: EU FTA BEEF QUOTA 1

#### INTRODUCTION

The Meat Board Act 2004 (the Act) requires the New Zealand Meat Board (the Board) to establish and operate Quota Allowance Allocation Systems in country specific tariff rate quota markets. This note is issued as a guide to the requirements under the Allocation Systems. As a result of the NZ-EU Free Trade Agreement negotiations concluded in February 2022 and signed on 9 July 2023, the following meat products of New Zealand origin may be exported to the European Union at the tariff rates listed below up to the quantities specified. The out-of-quota tariff rates are also given. These apply to product imported outside the quota.

New Zealand origin beef products can be exported to the European Union in the following quantities, subject to the specified tariffs.

#### **European Union**

Product type	Annual Quota Amount Years 1 to 7 (metric tonnes - carcass weight equivalent)	Quota Year	In Quota Tariff Rate	Out-of-Quota Tariff Rate* (From entry into force)
Beef	Year/Tonnage (c.w.e.)	Year 1 is 1	7.5%	12.0% +
0201	EIF3,333 MT	May to 31 December	ad valorem duty	118.0 – 254.0
0202	Year 14,286 MT	2024		EUR/100kg up
0206.10.95 0206.29.91 0210.20.10 0210.20.90 0210.99.51 0210.99.59, ex 1502.10.90 (beef only), ex 1502.90.90 (beef only), and 1602.50.	Year 2	Thereafter 1 January – 31 December		to 16% being product specific

#### Note

\* Tariff rates are quoted in EUR per 100kg/net. The range of rates is a result of different tariff rates for different products.

Certified as products from bovine animals that have been raised under New Zealand's pastoral farming conditions, i.e. excluding commercial feedlots.

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This Guidance Note is intended as a summary of the provisions of the Quota Manual itself. In the event of any inconsistency between the provisions of the Quota Manual and this Guidance Note the provisions of the Quota Manual will prevail

#### Some quick definitions:

Production History is the three-year average of beef from livestock slaughtered in an EU Listed Premises measured in hot carcase weight.

Export History is a three-year average of product eligible for the EU FTA Beef TRQ shipped to the EU measured in product weight.

"New Entrant Period" means in relation to a New Entrant, the Quota Year for which a New Entrant receives an allowance of first come first served quota and the two following Quota Years.

#### To whom is quota allocated?

There are two categories of recipients: Qualifying Companies and New Entrants.

Qualifying Companies hold export registrations and have Production History and/or Export History.

Qualifying Companies have access to 96.5% of the total TRQ allocation.

New Entrants are companies that fit the following criteria:

- Hold export registrations
- have not been allocated and used General Quota Allowance (but which may have purchased Production History, Export History or General Quota Allowance), during the three years prior to the applicable New Entry Period,
- Are a "New Entrant" as defined in Section 2 of the Quota Manual. <sup>2</sup>

#### How is Quota allocated?

Ninety-six and a half percent of the quota is allocated as General Quota Allowance to Qualifying Companies. It is allocated to companies according to their share of the sum of all companies for each of Production History and/or Export History.

New Entrants have access to the remaining 3.5% on a first come first served (FCFS) basis, up to a maximum of 30% of the New Entrant Allocation, per New Entrant.

#### Acquiring and selling Quota

General Quota Allowance holders can transfer all or part of their quota allowance for the relevant Quota Year to a holder of an export registration.

Complete and sign the Transfer form and submit to the Board. The transfer takes effect upon Board confirmation.

Download Transfer of EU FTA TRQ Beef Quota Allowance form from www.nzmeatboard.org.

There are other provisions relating to what constitutes a New Entrant, these can be found in the Definitions Section of this EU FTA TRQ Beef Quota Manual

#### Acquiring and selling Production and/or Export History

A holder of Production and/or Export History may transfer all or part of its Production and/or Export History for a given Production Season to a holder of an export registration.

Complete and sign the Transfer form and submit to the Board. The transfer takes effect upon Board confirmation and will be valid for any future Quota Years, in terms of the General Quota Allowance Allocation formula.

Download Transfer of UK Beef Production/Export History Form www.nzmeatboard.org.

#### Quota allowance application closing dates

General Quota Allowance applications close	15 October
New Entrant Quota Application is by means of a request for a quota certificate (see below)	Any time during the quota year

#### **EU FTA BEEF TRQ EXPORT CERTIFICATE**

EU FTA Beef Tariff Rate Quota (TRQ) Certificates are required for product to be imported within the terms of the TRQ.

The exporter must submit details of the consignment to the Board for authorisation. The exporter then forwards the issued certificate to the importer.

# **SECTION 14.**

# **FORMS**

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# FORM 1:

# EU FTA PRODUCTION HISTORY FORM

#### PRODUCTION REPORT

Month/Period:	Owner at Time of Slaughter:
Company:	Signed (by Contact Person):
Date:	Contact Person:
	EU Listed Premises (Establishment Number):

	Season	Carcasses (number)	Bone-in Dressed carcass Hot Weight (tonnes)
STEER and	Production to date		
HEIFER	Current Month/Period		
	Estimate for balance of season		
	TOTAL		
cow	Production to date		
	Current Month/Period		
	Estimate for balance of season		
	TOTAL		
BULL	Production to date		
	Current Month/Period		
	Estimate for balance of season		
	TOTAL		
BOBBY VEAL	Production to date		
	Current Month/Period		
	Estimate for balance of season		
	TOTAL		

**Qualifying Product** means beef and veal from livestock slaughtered in EU Listed Premises, measured as dressed carcass hot weight. In the case of bobby veal, an industry agreed coefficient could be applied in order to bring the measurement of bobby veal carcasses into line with that of beef carcasses.

• Cow included manufacturing and prime cow.

# FORM 2:

# EU FTA TRANSFER OF QUOTA ALLOCATION

#### TRANSFER OF EU BEEF QUOTA ALLOWANCE

- This form relates to the Quota Allowance Allocation System in respect of EU FTA Beef Tariff Rate Quota ("Allocation system").
- Section 8, Part A of the Allocation System is of particular relevance when completing this form.

<ul> <li>The form must be completed by both parties to Meat Board.</li> </ul>		
TRANSFEROR		
ER Number:	Reference (eg. contract nu	umber):
Name of Company:		
TRANSFEREE		
ER Number:	Reference (eg. contract nu	ımber):
Name of Company:		
DETAILS OF TRANSFER		
Date of Transfer:	Applicable Quota Year (1 Ja	anuary to 31 December)
Quota Allowance transferred (tonnes net weight):		
The transferee hereby acknowledges that it will uti the Quota Allowance transferred to it.	lise during the relevant Qu	ota Year the tonnage of
Signed (For Transferor):		
Name (please print):	Date:	
Signed (For Transferee):		
Name (please print):	Date:	
BOARD USE ONLY	Signed	Date
Transfer form received:		
Transfer confirmed:		
Transfer declined (Provide reason):		
Transferee or transferor notified of transfer:		

#### FORM 3:

# EU FTA TRANSFER OF PRODUCTION/EXPORT HISTORY

#### TRANSFER OF EU FTA BEEF PRODUCTION HISTORY AND/OR **EXPORT HISTORY**

- This form relates to the Quota Allowance Allocation System in respect to **EU FTA Beef Tariff** Rate Quota ("Allocation System")
- Section 8, Part C of the Allocation System is of particular relevance when completing this form.
- The Form must be completed by both parties to the transfer and return of the New Zealand Meat Board.

ER Number:  TRANSFEREE  ER Number:	Name of Company:	
ED Number		
EK Number.	Name of Company:	
DETAILS OF TRANSFER		
Date of Transfer:	Applicable Production Seas	on (October to September)
Production History or Export History transferred (tonnes)		
Reason/Basis of Transfer (specify purchase or other arrange	ement pursuant to watch tran	sfer requested):
Signed (For Transferor):		
Name (please print):	Date:	
Signed (For Transferee):		
Name (please print):	Date:	
BOARD USE ONLY	Signed	Date
Transfer form received:		
Transfer confirmed:		
Transfer declined (Provide reason):		
Transferee or transferor notified of transfer:		

#### **FORM 4:**

# EU FTA GQA APPLICATION

#### APPLICATION FOR EU BEEF GENERAL QUOTA ALLOWANCE

- This application is made in terms of the Quota Allowance Allocation System in respect of **EU-FTA Beef Tariff Rate Quota** ("Allocation system").
- Section 4 of the Allowance System are of particular relevance when completing this application.
- This application relates to the Quota year from 1 January to 31 December
- This application must be lodge with the Board on or before 15 October prior to the commencement of the Quota Year to which this application relates.
- The application must be sent to the **New Zealand Meat Board**.

NAME OF APPLICANT (Legal name preferred)	
APPLICANT DETAILS	
ER Number:	Telephone:
Email:	
Postal address:	
Street address:	
EU Listed Premises:	
E-Certificate delivery email (this must be a generic ema	il)
Note: Notices by the Board will be sent to the applicant at i	ts postal address or email address given above.
CONTACT PERSONS	
Specify two people who are authorised to act as ag Marketing Manager).	ents of the applicant (eg. Chief Executive,
Name:	
Position:	
Email contact:	
Name:	
Position:	

Email contact:

#### **DECLARATION**

I am authorised to make this application on behalf of the applicant company, and I can verify that:

- a. The applicant agrees to be bound by the terms of the Allocation system which the applicant has received, and which I have read prior to making this application.
- b. All the statements contained in this application and any attached documentation are to the best of my knowledge true and correct.
- c. The applicant acknowledges that it will immediately advise the Board in writing of any change of any the details contained this application.
- d. The required application fee is enclosed.

Signature:
Name (please print):
Position:
Date:

# FORM 5:

# EU FTA NEW ENTRANT/FIRST COME FIRST SERVED

Refer online application form at www.nzmeatboard.org/quotas/application-for-quota-allowance