

Republic of the Philippines Department of Agriculture

## **BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY**

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## MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

No. 17 Series of 2020

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**FROM** 

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OFFICER-IN-CHARGE, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT

GUIDANCE IN THE ACCEPTANCE OF ELECTRONIC EXPORT HEALTH

CERTIFICATE DURING THE ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE PERIOD

DATE

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APRIL 08, 2020

Pursuant to BAI Memorandum Circular No. 10 s.2020 which provides the acceptance of electronic Export Health Certificate (HC)/International Veterinary Health Certificate (IVHC/IVC) in lieu of the paper certificate to facilitate the cargo clearance processing during the period of Enhanced Community Quarantine, the following detailed instructions are hereby issued:

- 1. Electronic Health Certificates (E-HC) may be submitted by the Veterinary Authority of source country by providing online validation link and instruction on how to access the certificate;
- 2. In the absence of electronic verification system, the authentication of this certificates may be coursed through their Authorized Representative in respective Philippine-based embassy;
- 3. The submission of original HC by the Veterinary Authority will follow once the courier services has resumed to normal operations;
- 4. All related communications regarding E-HC shall be coursed through government veterinary office and representative using their official email address to:

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 The acceptance of E-HC in applicable shipments is valid during the period of Enhanced Community Quarantine which will end on April 30, 2020, unless otherwise revoked earlier or extended. Thereafter, procedure will revert to the default processing using paper Health Certificates.

This Circular shall take effect immediately and will remain valid until revoked in writing.

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