

# Information Notice 27<sup>th</sup> October 2021

## Health Certificate Numbering Format – SFPA - Ireland

Consignments of fish/fishery products and molluscan shellfish exported to third countries are accompanied by a Health Certificate. These Health Certificates are issued by the SFPA, who are the competent authority under Irish and European legislation, in respect of fishery products manufactured, processed or packaged in Ireland.

The Sea Fisheries Protection Authority has issued this Information Notice to reflect the changes applicable in relation to the health certificate numbering format for use in health certificates for exports of fish and fishery products to all third countries outside of the EU.

### Relevant Documentation

Application forms for a Health Certificate and an explanatory booklet may be obtained from your local SFPA port office or downloaded from the [SFPA website](#) where you will find the following:

- Information Notice to the Trade
- Health Certificate Application Form

Completed application forms should be sent to the relevant local port office.

*Each health certificate must be uniquely numbered using the following system:*

### Port/Establishment approval number/Date/Sequential Numbers

Example	Description
Health Certification Number	<b>CLON/IECK0123EC/27102021/001</b>
Port	This will include one of the port codes for any of the 8 SFPA offices as follows:  CLON, DIN, DME, KBG, ROS, HOW, CTB, GRE
Establishment approval number:	This represents the EU approval number granted to the establishment, an example of the format is IE CK 0123 EC
Date	Example 27102021
Sequential Numbers:	001, 002, 003 etc.

Queries regarding Health Certificates may be addressed to [SFPATradeandAudit@sfpai.ie](mailto:SFPATradeandAudit@sfpai.ie)

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