

Getting a Special Import Certificate

Artuvetrin® Therapy is a veterinary licensed product, however this license is held in The Netherlands. This means that if you want to order Artuvetrin here in the UK you will need to apply for a SIC (special import certificate).

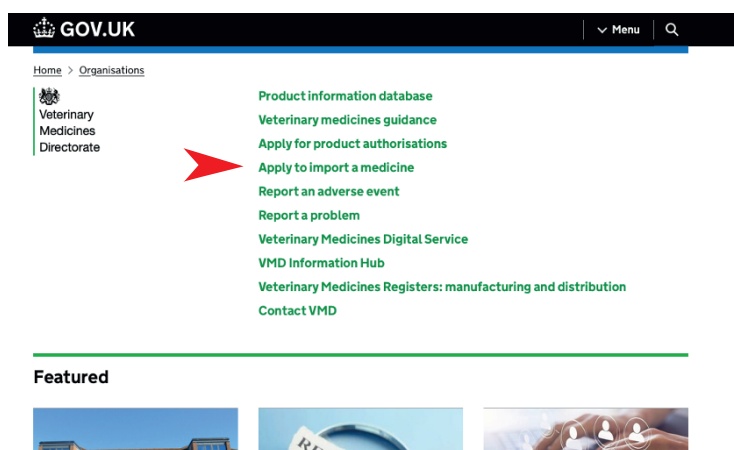
NextmuneUK will be acting as the importer. This means when ordering Artuvetrin® Therapy we will need to see a SIC either for an individual treatment or for multiple treatments. You will also need one for your practice records. SIC's are available free of charge via the Veterinary Medicines Directorate (VMD) website.

Below is a step-by-step guide to obtaining your SIC.

1. Go to the VMD website;

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/veterinary-medicines-directorate>

2. Then choose "**Apply to import a medicine**" from the menu in the middle



3. Scroll down and click **Start Now**.

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Apply to import a medicine

Apply to import a medicine for veterinary use into the UK.

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Import certificates

There are 3 types of import certificate:

- Special Import Certificate (SIC)
- Wholesale Dealer Import Certificate (WDIC)
- Research Import Certificate (RIC)

Special Import Certificates

Only eligible veterinary surgeons can apply for a Special Import Certificate (SIC).

Eligible surgeons must appear in the RCVS "UK-practising" registration category. [View RCVS category information](#).

Wholesale Dealer Certificate (WDIC)

Wholesale Dealers, who want to supply imported medicines to UK vets, need a Wholesale Dealer Import Certificate (WDIC).

You need a [Wholesale Dealer Authorisation](#) to apply for a WDIC.

Research Import Certificates

Only holders of a [Home office Project License](#) can apply for a Research Import Certificate (RIC).

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4. Select **Special Import Certificate (SIC)**

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Apply to import a medicine

Apply to import a medicinal product into the UK for veterinary use.

Select the service you want to access

☒ Special Import Certificate (SIC)
This service is for use by Veterinary Practices only

☐ Wholesale Dealer Import Certificate (WDIC)
This service is for use by registered Wholesale Dealers only

☐ Research Import Certificate (RIC)
This service is for use by holders of a Home Office Project License only

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5. You now need to register for the VMD website. Select **Apply for an organisation account** then go to point 7. Or if already registered, select **Sign In** and go to point 6.

Apply for a Special Import Certificate

Special import certificates

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SIC applications must be made by the prescribing veterinary surgeon, for medicines to treat animals under their care only.

Veterinary surgeons are not permitted to apply on behalf of others.

Before you apply for a Special Import Certificate

Ask your supplier:

- the medicine's name and country of origin
- the total amount of medicine needed for the certificate
- who the importer will be

If import certificates are not currently issued for the product, you will need the medicine's data sheet and copies of the packaging, ask your supplier for them.

Before you can apply for any import certificate

All applications are tied to an organisation account. Each individual practice must have its own organisation account.

You must register your practice on the Veterinary Medicines Digital Service, even if it was previously registered on the Special Import Scheme

[How to apply for an organisation account](#)

Apply for an organisation account >

If your practice already has an organisation account, ask the account's administrator to invite you to join.

Already have a Veterinary Medicines Digital Service account?

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- [Product Information Database](#)
- [European Medicines Agency Union Product Database](#)
- [Guidance on how to import a product for medicinal use](#)
- [Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons](#)



6. If you have already registered you need to sign in with the email address used and the password then go to point 9. If you have not yet registered please go to point 7.

7. Once you have selected Apply for an organisation account, you will be presented with this table, select your practice.

8. Select if you are a veterinary surgeon or a non-surgeon member of staff and continue to follow the online questionnaire to complete the registration.

9. Once you have logged in, choose **Start an application**

10. You can now start your application.
Select **Start application**.



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Start an application

View gov.uk guidance on [how to import a product for medicinal use](#).

Start an application >

11. Select which vet in the practice is certified to use the vaccine, check the details and click **continue**.



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Certificate use and validity

Veterinary surgeon and practice

The imported medicine is for use by the named surgeon, working for the named practice, and to treat animals under his or her care only.

Surgeon name

Change

RCVS membership number

Practice name and address

Change

Practice number

Certificate validity

Import certificates are valid for one year from date of issue. You should only apply to import a volume that meets your immediate clinical need and only up to a maximum of one year's supply.

If you have imported medicine remaining when your certificate expires, you must [reapply](#) for a new certificate to continue to hold and use that product.

Further guidance to [import a medicine for veterinary use into the UK \(opens in new tab\)](#)

Veterinary surgeon's responsibilities

You must:

- consider the [VMD guidance on responsible antibiotic prescribing under the cascade \(opens in new tab\)](#)
- consider the [European Medicine Agency's scientific advice on the categorisation of antibiotics \(opens in new tab\)](#) when prescribing antibiotics for animals under your care. AMR is a serious public health threat in people and the use of antibiotics in animals can contribute to this
- read the Summary of Product Characteristics (SPC), data sheet or equivalent product literature for the imported product. It is your responsibility to be aware of any additional warnings set out in the certificate and pass these onto the animal(s) owner
- use the imported medicine only as specified in the certificate, in accordance with the cascade and keep records accordingly

! Misuse of the cascade is an offence under the Veterinary Medicines Regulations.

By continuing you are confirming that you comply with the statements above regarding Certificate validity and Veterinary surgeon's responsibilities.

Continue

12. We now need to select the product, select **Artuvetrin Therapy, suspension for subcutaneous injection in dogs (Netherlands)**. Once selected click **continue**.



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Enter the name of the product you are importing

Type the product's name and select it from the suggestions

artuvetrin® Therapy, suspension for subcutaneous injection in dogs. (Netherlands)

Artuvetrin® Therapy, suspension for subcutaneous injection in dogs. (Netherlands)

Artuvetrin® Test, injection fluid for intracutaneous use in dogs. (Netherlands)

Syncro-Part 45mg Eponges Speciales Chevres (France)

Smartshot B12 (New Zealand)

Syncro-part 30mg (France)

Startect (Australia)

13. This page will confirm the product you have selected and the details.

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Your selected product

Product

Artuvetrin® Therapy, suspension for subcutaneous injection in dogs.

Change

Manufacturer

Nextmune b.v.

Country of origin

Netherlands

MA no. in country of origin

NL7638 (Epithelia), NL7639 (Pollen), NL7640 (Mites/Insects), NL7641 (Dust)

Active substance(s)

Allergens

Continue

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14. Select the species and click **continue**.

Select the species you will treat

- ☐ Cat
- ☐ Deer
- ☒ Dog
- ☐ Donkey
- ☐ Horse
- ☐ Camelids: including alpacas
- ☐ Zoo Animal
- ☐ Ferret
- ☐ Goat
- or
- ☐ The species is not listed

15. Enter your reference (using the animal's name is easiest), click **continue**.

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Enter your reference (optional)

This reference is for your records only

Roman

Continue Save draft and exit

16. Enter how many animals will be treated with the vaccine, this is usually 1 unless you are a specialist ordering a batch SIC, click **continue**.

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Enter how many animals you will treat

1

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17. Enter the total amount of medicine, this is usually 10 ml unless the animal requires more than 1 vial, in which case it's whatever multiple of 10ml i.e., 2 x vials equals 20ml. click **continue**.

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Enter the total amount of medicine you're importing, in Millilitres

- Enter an amount that meets your immediate clinical need to treat the animal(s) in your care
- The amount must not exceed one year's supply
- You may need to round up your calculation to equal available pack sizes
- The amount appears on the import certificate

10 Millilitres

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18. Select where you will get the medicine from is a UK wholesale dealer, click **continue**.

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Select where you'll get the medicine from

☒ A UK wholesale dealer

☐ An overseas manufacturer or overseas wholesaler

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19. Select Nextmune UK from the list and click **continue**.

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Enter the UK wholesaler's name

Type the wholesaler's name and select it from the suggestions

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[The wholesaler I'm using isn't listed](#)

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20. Now select where you want the SIC emailed to

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Choose an email address

We will use to send certificates and for any correspondence about SIC applications.

If you want us to use a different email address, enter it below.

☒ Use

☐ Use a different email address

Continue

Save draft and exit

21. Check that all your answers are correct and click **submit application**.

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Check your answers

Veterinarian and practice

Surgeon name

Change

RCVS membership number

Practice name and address

Change

Practice RCVS number

Correspondence email address

Change

Application details

Product name

Artuvetrin® Therapy, suspension for subcutaneous injection in dogs.

Change

Species

Dog

Change

Your reference

Roman

Change

No. of animals

1

Change

Total amount

10 Millilitres

Change

Supplier

A UK wholesale dealer

Change

Named importer

Nextmune UK

Change

Submit application

Save draft and exit

22. Your certificate is now issued and will be emailed to your selected address.

Imports

Start an application

Draft applications

Assessed applications

Certificates issued

Certificates issued

This list is for reference only and not to be used for official record keeping purposes.

Veterinary surgeon	Reference Date issued Certificate number	Product name (country of origin)	Action
Dr Stephanie Jane Cartmell	Roman 21/03/2024	Artuvetrin® Therapy, suspension for subcutaneous injection in dogs.	Download certificate

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