**Action Note 2024/03/04: Chapter 6 Notifiable Diseases: Tuberculosis Sampling Submission Forms**

**Purpose**

This Action Note is to inform all Authorised Officers (AOs) of the below changes triggered by APHA regarding the Tuberculosis (TB) sample submission forms:

* TB50, which is to be used for the bovine TB material for statutory examination at APHA laboratories, has been amended and the new version will replace the old TB50 (SMOC – Chapter 6 Annex 16) and can be found at **Annex I** of this document.
* TN50, which is a new form developed for TB material from farmed non-bovine animals (such as deer, pigs, goats and sheep) for statutory examination at APHA laboratories. This form can be found at **Annex II** of this document and will be included in the next amendment of SMOC chapter 6.

**Field Staff** are required to:

* Note the contents of the Action Note, plant attending OVs to ensure that the Action Note is read by all FSS staff and this is noted in the Action/Information Log.
* Print a copy for the plant file together with an Action/Information Log.
* **Use the new two forms from 1st of April 2024.**

**This Action Note will be**:

* Uploaded to the Action Note Live Folder and Operation tracker log on SharePoint.
* Forwarded to Website mailbox (websiteteam@fss.scot) for publication on our website.

The Action Note will remain live until either incorporated in the SMOC, or revoked.

Copies of the live and revoked Action Notes can be found on [SharePoint](http://sgsharepoint16/sites/FSS/ops/_layouts/15/start.aspx#/SitePages/Home.aspx?RootFolder=%2Fsites%2FFSS%2Fops%2FShared%20Documents%2FSMOC%2FSMOC%20%2D%20Action%20Notes&FolderCTID=0x012000BE19D936AC67B044AE90EEDEB6E4B48F&View=%7B4874B561%2DB608%2D40C4%2DBE22%2DC4C905F4C7BD%7D).

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**Annex I Annex II**

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