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Export Library

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Export Requirements for Latvia

Export Alert

Please be advised that Latvia will become a member of the European Union effective May 1, 2004. As of that date, the export requirements currently in place for Latvia will be replaced by those governing shipments to the EU. Therefore, effective May 1, 2004, all shipments of EU harmonized product to Latvia must comply with EU export requirements. These requirements are available in the EU section of this library of export requirements.*

Eligible/Ineligible Products

A. Eligible product

1. Poultry and poultry products (See restriction in B)

Note: Poultry meat and further processed poultry meat products certified after December 31, 2001 must be derived from birds that have not been fed material originating from sheep. To be eligible for export to Latvia, poultry must be produced under a sheep protein-free certification program administered by Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS). Information about this program can be obtained from the AMS National Supervisor for Poultry Grading at (202) 720-4411.

2. Beef and beef products are eligible for export to Latvia.

B. Ineligible Product

1. Pork and pork products - At this time, pork and pork products are not eligible for export to Latvia. Contact the FSIS Technical Service Center at (402) 221-7400 for more information.
2. Mechanically separated poultry and ground meat or poultry.
3. Poultry and poultry products from birds raised or processed in the Newcastle disease quarantine zone established by the States of California, Nevada, Arizona, and Texas. Consult the following Web sites for information on the current area of the quarantine zones:

[California Department of Food and Agriculture](#)

[Nevada Department of Agriculture](#)

[Arizona Department of Agriculture](#)

[Texas Animal Health Commission](#)

4. Poultry and products from the States of Delaware and Texas.

Certification Requirements

- A. Fresh/frozen beef and beef products -Obtain FSIS form 9060-5--Export Certificate of Wholesomeness and FSIS form 9070-2 (10/94)--Veterinary Certificate for Beef Meat to Latvia.
- B. Fresh/Frozen poultry and poultry products - Obtain FSIS form 9060-5--Export Certificate of Wholesomeness, and FSIS form 9070-1(1/14/2002)--Veterinary Certificate for Fresh Poultry exported into Latvia.
- C. Signature on certificates. All required forms and supplementary statements must be signed by a veterinarian. Name, degree (DVM or equivalent) must be typed or printed after the signature.
- D. An import license may be required by the Latvian State Veterinary Department. Exporters should contact their importing agent regarding this issue.

Plants Eligible to Export

- A. Plants eligible to export to Latvia can be determined from the "Eligible Plant Listings" in the Export Library. Presently, only poultry plants appear on that list.
- B. Plants desiring eligibility for Export to Latvia should contact the FSIS Technical Service Center (TSC) at (402) 221-7400.

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