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## **Export Library**

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# **Export Requirements for People's Republic of China (PRC)**

## **Eligible/Ineligible Products**

### **A. Eligible**

1. Fresh/frozen meat and meat products except beef and beef products (subject to the exceptions listed below).

**Note:** Exporters are advised that importers must have a valid import license to allow entry of meat and poultry and meat and poultry products. Exporters should work closely with their importer to assure that the proper licenses have been obtained.

2. Salted sheep/lamb casings intended for processing (selection for size and quality) in China and subsequent re-export.\*

### **B. Ineligible**

1. Poultry and poultry products.
2. Beef and beef products, ruminant protein meals and tallow.
3. Sheep/lamb meat.\*
4. Sheep/lamb casings other than those described in A.\*
5. Poultry feet produced according to the "Hong Kong" standard.
6. Poultry and poultry products originating from the States of California produced after November 29, 2002.
7. Poultry and poultry products originating from Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas, Connecticut, and Rhode Island.

## **Labeling Requirements**

- A. Edible poultry feet - poultry feet from only inspected and passed birds. Containers must bear inspection

legend.

- B. Inedible Poultry Feet must be labeled "For Export Only--Not for Human Consumption."
- C. A tamper-resistant, bilingual label should be on the outside of each carton. The label should have the following information in Chinese:
  - 1. Product name
  - 2. Country of origin
  - 3. Establishment number
  - 4. Production date (can indicate "Please see English label")
  - 5. Expiration date (a specific date or a phrase such as "Two years from production date" can be used. Up to two years is acceptable for frozen product.)
  - 6. Storage temperature (A specific temperature should be indicated.)
  - 7. Country of destination
  - 8. Net weight (can indicate "Please see English label")

The establishment number should be printed on the inner poly liner, poly bag, or vacuum bag. If the carton contains product that has inner poly bags with a master liner, only the inner bags are required to have the printed establishment number. Inner bags closed with a metal clip bearing the establishment number meet the inner bag labeling requirement. In any case, the establishment number must be legible and easily readable when the carton is opened.

Product intended for further processing in China does not require the establishment number on the inner packaging material. These products can be packaged in wax-lined cartons.

Exporters should work closely with importers and with industry organizations such as USMEF and USAPEEC for assistance in determining that the labeling of their specific product is appropriate.

## **Certification Requirements**

- A. Fresh/frozen meat and poultry and meat and poultry products. Obtain FSIS Form 9060-5, Meat and Poultry Export Certificate of Wholesomeness and FSIS Form 9295-1 (1/12/2004), Meat and Poultry Export Certificate of Wholesomeness for Export to the People's Republic of China. FSIS Form 9295-1 (1/12/2004) must accompany shipments of meat and poultry products arriving at ports-of-entry on March 1, 2004.
- B. Poultry Feet

1. Edible Poultry Feet bearing for the mark of inspection - Obtain FSIS 9060-5 - Meat and Poultry Certificate of Wholesomeness, and FSIS Form 9295-1 (1/12/2004), Meat and Poultry Certificate of Wholesomeness for Export to the People's Republic of China.
  2. Inedible Poultry Feet - Obtain FSIS form 9060-9--Inedible Products Export Certificate.
- C. Meat or poultry exported to the Peoples Republic of China for further processing and subsequently exported to Japan - Obtain FSIS Form 9060-5, Meat and Poultry Export Certificate of Wholesomeness and FSIS Form 9295-1 (1/12/2004), Meat and Poultry Certificate of Wholesomeness for Export to the People's Republic of China. Upon the request of the exporter, the following information must be provided either in the "Remarks" section of FSIS Form 9060-5 and FSIS Form 9295-1 (1/12/2004) or on an FSIS letterhead certificate (which is signed by the same FSIS veterinarian signing the export certificate):

1. All products - Statements for products intended for re-export to Japan:

*"The meat and/or meat products described herein were processed under sanitary conditions in accordance with laws and regulations of the United States. The laws and regulations of the United States have been deemed to be equivalent to the inspection laws of Japan."*

2. For beef and beef products - The following statements must be typed in the "Remarks" section of FSIS Form 9060-5:

- a. *"The United States meets or exceeds all of the international guidelines to be considered free of BSE"*

- b. The following statement must be included in the "Remarks" section of FSIS Form 9060-5 for all beef and beef products (except certain ready-to-eat products as specified below):

*"The shipment contains only meat and meat products that were derived from cattle slaughtered in the U.S."*

In order to include this statement, the export applicant must provide information to the FSIS official about the consignment that includes the lot number, production date, production code, number of boxes, manufacturer, and the statement "Product meets BEV Program requirements".

Additional information about the Beef Export Verification (BEV) Program can be obtained from the USDA, Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) website at [www.ams.usda.gov](http://www.ams.usda.gov) or by calling (202) 720-1124.

- c. The following statement must be included in the Remarks section of FSIS Form 9060-5 for ready-to-eat products that contain at least 2% cooked meat and has been subjected to heat or drying and do not contain products of edible rendering:

*"These processed ready-to-eat beef products contain at least 2% cooked meat and have been subjected to heat or drying and do not contain products of edible rendering. The shipment contains no beef or beef products from a country named in 9 CFR Section 94.18(a) (1); and contains no beef or beef products produced from livestock imported from a country*

*named in 9 CFR Section 94.18(a)(1)."*

In order to include this statement, the export applicant must provide information to the FSIS official about the consignment that includes the lot number, production date, production code, number of boxes, manufacturer, and the statement "Product meets BEV Program requirements".

- d. If requested by the exporter, FSIS can provide the following certification statement for beef and beef products that do not contain the indicated specific risk material:

*"The product does not contain brain, eye, spinal cord, or distal ileum."*

This statement can be included in the "Remarks" section of FSIS 9060-5 or as an FSIS letterhead certificate.

3. For pork only, also include the following statement:

*"The USA is free of hog cholera; vaccination against hog cholera is prohibited; and importation of pigs vaccinated against hog cholera is prohibited."*

The following are also required for pork products:

Name, address, and establishment number of the slaughter (If product is quarter, half, or whole carcass) or processing plant (if packaged product).

"Date (Month/Year) of Slaughter and Inspection," if product is quarter, half, or whole carcass or "Date (Month/Year) of Manufacture," if cuts or processed products, i.e., pack date

Note: Listing of dates in the "Remarks" section of FSIS Form 9060-5 must be identified as shown above to be consistent with the term used on FSIS Form 9290-1 (3/25/2003)

4. Poultry products

- a. For poultry only, also include the following statement:

*"There have been no outbreaks of fowl pest (fowl plague) for at least 90 days in the United States. Further, in the area where birds for export (meat) were produced (such an area being within a minimum radius of 50 kilometers from the production farm), Newcastle disease, fowl cholera, and other serious infectious fowl diseases, as recognized by the United States, have not occurred for at least 90 days."*

- b. Poultry is restricted for export to Japan from certain States for specific periods. Certification must be provided that poultry did not originate from or transit unsealed through these States during the restricted periods relative to each affected State. Obtain the [appropriate statements from the Japan requirements](#).

- D. The number of the ocean vessel container and the number of the shipper's commercial seal (Not a USDA seal) applied to the container must be indicated in the "Ocean/Air Cargo Container Number(s)" and "Seal Number" blocks on the FSIS Form 9295-1 (1/12/2004).
1. If the container and seal numbers are known at the time that the product is certified for export, the exporter should indicate the numbers in block 14 on FSIS 9060-6, Application for Export Certificate. Also, the numbers should be included in the appropriate blocks on the FSIS Form 9295-1 (1/12/2004).
  2. If the container and seal numbers are NOT known at the time that the product is certified for export:
    - a. The applicant completes FSIS form 9060-6, Application for Export to include all required information, and in block 14, enters the company name, contact person, address, and phone number of the company that will load and seal the container. FSIS will then provide the FSIS Form 9060-5, allow product to be stamped with the export stamp, perform export inspection, and allow shipment of the product without signing FSIS Form 9060-6 FSIS Form 9060-5 and the corresponding FSIS Form 9295-1 (1/12/2004).
    - b. The unsigned certificates are to be held by the original applicant. When the container and seal numbers are obtained, they are to be entered in block 14 of FSIS Form 9060-6 and in the appropriate blocks on the FSIS Form 9295-1 (1/12/2004).
    - c. The applicant then requests signature of the completed FSIS Form 9060-6 by the inspector who provided export inspection. FSIS Form 9060-5 and the corresponding FSIS Form 9295-1 (1/12/2004) can then be signed by an FSIS veterinarian.
  3. If additional space is needed in the "Ocean/Air Cargo Container Number(s)" block in the case of multiple containers certified with a single certificate, an FSIS letterhead certificate indicating the container and seal numbers should be issued. The letterhead certificate should also indicate the certificate number, the date of the certificate, and the signature of the same veterinarian signing the FSIS 9060-5 and FSIS 9295-1 (1/12/2004) certificates.
- E. All FSIS export certificates and additional certification statements must be dated and have the signature and title of an FSIS veterinarian.

## **Other Requirements**

PRC requires heat treatment of all packing material made of conifer materials as a preventive measure against pinewood parasites. This includes wood pallets. USDA, APHIS has established a certification procedure. More information is available at the following web site: <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/library/forms/pdf/ppq553.pdf>

## **Plants Eligible to Export**

All Federally inspected establishments are eligible for export to the Peoples Republic of China.

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