Industry Testing Instructions: PHIS Export Country Onboarding, May 20, 2024

As announced in FSIS' February 9, 2024, <u>Constituent Update</u>, starting May 20, 2024, export certificates for meat (including Siluriformes fish and fish products) and poultry products (excluding casings and egg products) exported to the following countries will be generated in FSIS' Public Health Information System (PHIS):

Barbados; Belize; Cabo Verde; Costa Rica; El Salvador; Eswatini; Mali; Marshall Islands; Mongolia; Nauru; Niger; Rwanda; São Tomé and Príncipe; Somalia; South Sudan; Tunisia; Tuvalu; Vanuatu; Yemen; Zambia; Zimbabwe

Industry is encouraged to use <u>the Industry Test Environment (ITE)</u> to test application submittals for export to these countries. To facilitate industry testing and preparation for May 20, 2024, FSIS is providing testing instructions in this document.

The digitally signed FSIS Form 9060-5 series printed on plain watermarked paper and available for validation in PHIS will replace all letterhead certificates for meat and poultry exported to these countries. All additional attestations or other required information, as documented in the Export Library, will be captured in the FSIS Form 9060-5 remarks and/or FSIS Form 9060-5B.

Applicants should select the appropriate statement in the ITE, when prompted by PHIS in the test application. Barbados, Belize, Costa Rica, and El Salvador include information and statements that must be selected or entered by the applicant in ITE, depending on the product, as indicated below.

For further guidance on the PHIS export component and enrollment, please refer to the following user guides:

- PHIS Industry User Guide
- Quick Reference Guide for Corporate and Establishment Management
- Industry Test Site Enrollment Quick Reference Guide
- Export Batch User Guide

Please contact FSIS at <u>internationalcoordination@usda.gov</u> with any questions related to the country statements in the ITE. Technical questions can be directed to <u>PHISTechnicalQA@usda.gov</u>.

Barbados

For beef and beef products to Barbados, applicants <u>should</u> select the appropriate statements and enter the slaughter and processing establishment number, name, and address.

For meat or poultry meat or their products imported into the U.S. but not further processed in the U.S., applicants should select the appropriate statements and enter the foreign establishment

number. Copies of the original foreign health certificate that was presented upon import into the U.S. will be provided outside of PHIS.

When testing applications for beef and beef products to Barbados, applicants should not include the following data elements on the FSIS Form 9060-5B:

- Consignee Name and Address
- Exporter Name and Address
- Identification of Product o Type of Meat
 - Number of Packages
 - Net Weight
 - Type of Packages
- Destination of the Meat
 - o Country and Place of Dispatch
 - Country and Place of Destination
 - o Nature and Identification of Transport Means (e.g., flight or name of ship)

Belize

Applicants should select the appropriate statements for eligible products to Belize.

Costa Rica

Applicants should select the appropriate statements for eligible products to Costa Rica and enter the lot number or production code for beef, poultry and pork products. The export stamp will not be applied to the certificate.

El Salvador

Applicants should select the appropriate statements for eligible products to El Salvador.

For re-export of ruminant meat from the United States originating from Australia and New Zealand to El Salvador, copies of the official export certificate of Australia or New Zealand that was presented upon import to the United States will be provided outside of PHIS.

Tunisia

Applicants should select the appropriate statements for eligible products to Tunisia.

The signed official radiation letter issued through the USDA Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) that is required by Tunisia will not be captured in PHIS.