

## Industry Testing Instructions: Mexico PHIS Export Onboarding, November 4, 2024

As announced in FSIS' [July 26, 2024, Constituent Update](#), starting November 4, 2024, export certificates for meat and poultry products (excluding casings and egg products) exported to Mexico will be generated in FSIS' Public Health Information System (PHIS).

Industry is encouraged to use [the Industry Test Environment \(ITE\)](#) to test application submittals for export to Mexico. To facilitate industry testing and preparation for November 4, 2024, FSIS is providing testing instructions in this document.

The digitally signed FSIS Form 9060-5 series to be printed on plain watermarked paper and available for validation in PHIS will replace all letterhead certificates for meat and poultry exported to Mexico. All attestations or other required information as documented in the Export Library for Mexico 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. The following information and statements must be selected or entered by the applicant in ITE, depending on the product, **in the order listed below**:

- **Product-specific statement** (e.g., MEX-Raw Poultry Offal; MEX-Pork Bacon; MEX-Pork Re-Export to Japan; MEX-Beef Trimmings Canada Origin; MEX-Processed Food Preparations, etc.)
  - Note: for applications covering multiple products, product-specific statements should be listed in the order that appears in the Export Library.
- **Lot Number(s)** - For example, "Lot No. 25" would indicate a single lot; "Lot nos. 14-25" would indicate sequential lot numbers 14 through 25; and "Lot nos. 14,22,17" would indicate non-sequential lot numbers, 14, 22, and 17. Lot numbers are designated by the shipper and can be any unique identifier for the lot.
- **Slaughter, Packing, Processing, and Expiration Dates** - The exporter is required to provide slaughter and packing dates for all fresh/frozen meat and poultry and all meat and poultry products with the exception of cooked and processed product. Slaughter dates are not required for cooked or processed products; however, packing and processing dates are required for cooked or processed products and expiration dates are required for cooked products. Date ranges are acceptable.

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 [PHISMexico@usda.gov](mailto:PHISMexico@usda.gov) with any questions related to the country statements in the ITE. Technical questions can be directed to [PHISTechnicalQA@usda.gov](mailto:PHISTechnicalQA@usda.gov).