

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE
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FSIS NOTICE

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MAJOR REVISION OF FSIS EXPORT LIBRARY FOR CANADA

I. PURPOSE

This notice announces a major revision of the [export library for Canada](#) and provides instructions to inspection program personnel (IPP) on actions to take.

II. BACKGROUND

FSIS, in conjunction with the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA), initiated a comprehensive review and update of the FSIS Export Library for Canada to make it more user friendly and ensure that outdated and unclear requirements were clarified or removed, including ensuring that the Export Library accurately reflects the [Safe Food for Canadians Regulations](#) that became effective in January 2019. The changes to the [export library for Canada](#) should enhance the efficiency of FSIS personnel who certify the product for export, as well as those in industry producing product for the Canadian market.

III. IPP RESPONSIBILITIES

A. IPP that regularly perform export certification for products going to Canada are to review the updated contents of the [export library for Canada](#) posted on March 27, 2020.

B. During the next weekly meeting with establishment management, IPP are to inform the establishment that a major update will be made to the [export library for Canada](#). IPP are to document notes from the meeting in a memorandum of interview (MOI) in accordance with [FSIS Directive 5010.1 Food Safety Related Topics for Discussion During Weekly Meetings with Establishment Management](#).

IV. QUESTIONS

Refer questions regarding this notice to the Office of Policy and Program Development through [askFSIS](#). When submitting a question, use the Submit a Question tab and enter the following information in the fields provided:

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NOTE: Refer to [FSIS Directive 5620.1](#), *Using askFSIS*, for additional information on submitting questions.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Rachel A. Edelstein". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "R".

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