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IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF VIETNAM
FOR SWINE EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES

The animals must be accompanied by a U.S. Origin Health Certificate issued by a veterinarian so authorized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and endorsed by a Veterinary Services (VS) veterinarian. The certificate must contain the name and address of the consignor and the consignee and complete identification of the animals to be exported. Additional information must include:

CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS

1. The United States is free of foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, African swine fever, Teschen's disease, hog cholera, and swine vesicular disease and has been free of these diseases for at least 3 years.
2. The animals are free from signs of any infections and contagious diseases at time of export.
3. The animals originated from premises clinically free of transmissible gastroenteritis (TGE), leptospirosis, and atrophic rhinitis for the last 12 months.
4. The animals originated from Aujeszky's disease- and brucellosis-free herds.
5. The premises of origin have been clinically free of porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome (PRRS) for the last 6 months.
6. After due inquiry, I am satisfied that the swine to be exported have not been fed garbage at any time.
7. The animals were treated for internal and external parasites on _____(date) with _____ (name of product) within 30 days prior to export.
8. The animals originated from herds where no cases of trichinosis has occurred for the last 3 years.

TEST RESULTS REQUIREMENTS

The animals were negative to the following tests within 30 days prior to export;

1. Brucellosis: Standard tube test at 1:25 dilution;
2. Aujeszky's disease: Serum Neutralization test at 1:8 dilution; and
3. TGE: Serum Neutralization test at 1:4 dilution.
(If positive to SN test, an ELISA test can be used. A negative ELISA test to TGE will qualify the animals for export.)
4. PRRS: ELISA TEST

OTHER INFORMATION

After leaving the country of origin, the ship or aircraft transporting the animals may only call at intermediate ports approved by Vietnam.

No ruminants, swine, fodder, animal feed, or straw shall be taken aboard the ship or aircraft after it has left the country of origin. If any outbreak of major epizootic disease occurs on board the ship or aircraft in transit to Vietnam, the animals shall be returned to the country of origin or be destroyed and disposed of appropriately.

The means of transportation will be cleaned and disinfected by methods and disinfectants approved by USDA prior to export.

EMBARKATION STATEMENT

At the port of embarkation, a VS port veterinarian must attach the Certificate of Inspection of Export Animals (VS Form 17-37) to the U.S. Origin Health Certificate. The 17-37 must show:

1. The name and address of the consignor;
2. The name and address of the consignee;
3. The number and species of animals to be shipped; and
4. A statement that the animals "have been given a careful veterinary inspection at the port of embarkation and found to be free from evidence of communicable disease and exposure thereto" (within 24 hours of exportation).