

## **Swine Offal (Meat, Offal, Viscera, and Pastes) for Industrial Uses (Manufacture of Pet Foods for Dogs and Cats) for Export to Mexico**

The requirements below pertain to swine offal, including meat, offal, viscera, and pastes not approved for human consumption that is being exported to Mexico for industrial uses in the manufacture of pet foods for dogs and cats.

Please note that Mexico SENASICA requires certain traceability information for each product lot of swine meat, offal, viscera, and pastes not approved for human consumption. The lot number is required to be listed on the official animal health certificate. For each lot, the production date, the packing or shipment date, and an expiry date should be presented in a supplemental declaration from the exporting company. This exporter's declaration must be cross referenced to the certificate, and show lot numbers as well as the name of the official, their position within the company (acceptable examples: owner, president, quality control manager) and signature. The original and a copy of the supplemental declaration are required at the time of presentation of the product.

Mexico's SENASICA has the following sanitation requirement: Frozen porcine offal (meat, offal, viscera, and pastes) for industrial use or animal feeding must have been packed in new cardboard boxes and/or appropriately wrapped in shrink wrap. Combos/boxes with frozen product with more than 50 Kg. are not allowed. The product must be labeled as "U.S. condemned."

The following certification statements are required on the Export Certificate for Animal Products (VS Form 16-4) and continuation page VS form 16-4A as needed for swine offal (meat, offal, viscera, and pastes) not approved for human consumption being exported to Mexico. A notarized affidavit from the manufacturer is required to support these statements on the export certificate issued by APHIS Veterinary Services.

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [company name] verifying the accuracy of the following statements: *Esta oficina cuenta en su expediente con una declaración notariada de [nombre de la compañía] que verifica la exactitud de las siguientes declaraciones:*

1. The product originates in the United States. / *El producto es originario de los Estados Unidos de América.*
2. The product derives from animals sacrificed and processed in plants under official sanitary inspection and subjected to ante and postmortem inspection. / *El producto procede de animales sacrificados y procesados en plantas bajo inspección sanitaria oficial y sujetos a inspección ante y postmortem.*
3. The product is approved by the competent sanitary authority of the United States for use in animal feeding. / *Los productos están aprobados por la autoridad sanitaria competente de los Estados Unidos de América para consumo animal.*

4. The product may be freely transported and traded in the United States. / *El producto se moviliza y comercializa libremente en los Estados Unidos de América.*
  
5. During slaughter and processing, the product was not contaminated with animals or animal products not meeting the requirements herein. / *Durante el sacrificio y proceso, el producto no se mezcló con animales o productos animales que no hayan cubierto los requisitos aquí descritos.*
  
6. The commodity is transported in containers or vehicles that have been washed and disinfected prior to shipment. / *Que los vehículos y contenedores en que se transportó la mercancía fueron lavados y desinfectados previamente al embarque.*