

Specified Risk Material (SRM) Certification of Animal By-Products

Germany requires the following SRM certification for most imported animal-byproducts. The following pages should be added to the pertinent Regulation (EC) 1774/2002 certificate prior to submission to your local Veterinary Services Area Office for endorsement.

If an exporter believes that SRM certification is not required for a particular commodity, we recommend that they have their importers confirm with German authorities prior to export.

Certificate number:

Specified Risk Material Declaration

- (a) The animal by-product does not contain and is not derived from specified risk material ^{*)} or mechanically separated meat obtained from bones of bovine, ovine or caprine animals and
- (b) the bovine, ovine, or caprine animals from which this animal by-product is derived, have not been slaughtered after stunning by means of gas injected into the cranial cavity or killed by the same method or slaughtered by laceration of central nervous tissue by means of an elongated rod-shaped instrument introduced into the cranial cavity

And/or

- (c) any other bovine, ovine, or caprine animals from which this animal by-product is derived were born, continuously reared and slaughtered in a country classified as posing a negligible BSE risk.

^{*)} Definition of specified risk material

The following tissues shall be designated as specified risk material if they come from animals whose origin is in a Member State or third country or of one of their region with a controlled or undetermined BSE risk:

- (a) as regards bovine animals:
 - (i) the skull excluding the mandible and including the brain and eyes, and the spinal cord of animals aged over 12 months;
 - (ii) the vertebral column excluding the vertebrae of the tail, the spinous and transverse processes of the cervical, thoracic and lumbar vertebrae and the median sacral crest and wings of the sacrum, but including the dorsal root ganglia, of animals aged over 30 months; and
 - (iii) the tonsils, the intestines from the duodenum to the rectum and the mesentery of animals of all ages.

(b) as regards ovine and caprine animals:

- (i) the skull including the brain and eyes, the tonsils and the spinal cord of animals aged over 12 months or which have a permanent incisor erupted through the gum, and
- (ii) the spleen and ileum of animals of all ages.