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Export Animal Products to Mexico

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Products Exempt from Export Certification

Certain food products containing minor amounts of animal products may not need export certification if guidance documents pertaining to product tariff codes do not call for export certification. Exporters are encouraged to inquire of their importer as to the availability of a letter issued by SAGARPA SENASICA showing the product is exempt from the requirement of an export certificate.

General Information

Mexico's Border Inspection Service (DGIF) is not permitted to accept export certificates that contain any of the following: abbreviations, handwritten text, or any alterations such as cross outs, white outs, erasures, or initialed changes.

Mexico continues making progress implementing a new digital platform, VUCEM (Single Window for Trade), for handling imports and exports with an eye towards

simplifying the flow of trade information among exporters, importers, and Mexican government agencies. At the major ports of entry, SENASICA has incorporated its inspection tasks in the program's framework, including various documents pertaining to animal and plant health, food safety and that are necessary for border inspection activities. The program is not expected to directly impact U.S. exporters. We recommend, however, that U.S. exporters promptly respond to requests from their Mexican clients to send required documentation electronically (such as invoices, export certificates, letterheads, and bilingual or Spanish language shipping container labels) prior to the arrival of the shipment at the Mexican border. This should enable importers and their customs brokers to begin electronic clearance of these documents prior to the physical inspection of the shipment.

Traceability requirements

The Area office issuing the health certificate for animal products being exported to Mexico must be provided sufficient information so that they may verify that the requirements of Mexico are met. Typically the exporter should be able to get a copy of the appropriate "HRZ" (import requirements sheet) from their importer. HRZ's serve as guidance and should not be considered import permits. The HRZ may indicate that the shipment and documentation must comply with Article 89 of Mexico's Federal Animal Health Law. The provisions of Article 89 are currently under development. Certificates issued by APHIS VS Area offices should provide basic information on the health certificate, including lot numbers, species of origin, and general description of the product. The exporter is advised to determine from the government of Mexico (SENASICA's webpage or from a SENASICA office) if there are requirements in addition to the veterinary certification issues addressed by APHIS.

Mexico's SENASICA requires certain traceability and production information for animal products presented for importation into Mexico (Article 89 and other provisions of the Federal Animal Health Law). Generally, the lot number should be listed on the official animal health certificate in the Product Identification block. Separately, a supplemental declaration from the manufacturing company can be used to provide the additional pertinent information required for the animal product being certified. Typical examples of required information are production date, packing or shipment date, and an expiry date. The manufacturer's or exporter's supplemental declaration must be cross referenced to the certificate, and must show the 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. The above procedure does not apply for dairy products intended for human consumption and any addendum must be issued by USDA APHIS Veterinary Services.

Poultry products

For the export of table eggs to Mexico, layer flocks must be qualified with respect to avian influenza through participation in either the National Poultry Improvement Plan, or in a testing program supervised by the VS Area office. Export certification is done by the USDA Agricultural Marketing Service, Office of Poultry Grading and Certification.

Certificates for poultry products that require certification pertaining to Newcastle disease should refer to “velogenic Newcastle disease” and not exotic Newcastle disease.

Commodity Specific Information

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[Buffalo Dairy Products for Export to Mexico](#) (86.57 KB) - July 2018

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[Complements, supplements, additives and flavorings \(bees, poultry, bovine, porcine, ovine and caprine\) for human consumption](#) (217.77 KB) - February 2023

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[Dry Crunchy Snacks](#) (9.48 KB) - December 2014

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[Fertilizers containing poultry, bovine and/or ovine ingredients](#) (54.66 KB) - January 2018

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[Food preparations containing animal products for human consumption](#) (19.76 KB) - September 2018

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[Hides and skins: Cervid Hides and Skins for manufacturing](#) (66.28 KB) - November

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[Hides and skins: Salted Porcine Hides and Skins for Manufacturing Purposes](#) (57.64

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[Hides and skins: Salted Rawhide for Manufacturing Purposes](#) (64.46 KB) - December

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[Hides and skins: Salted Sheep and Goat Pelts and Skins](#) (65.96 KB) - February 2012

[Hides and Skins: Tanned or Semi-tanned Skins and Hides derived from any species](#)

(132.32 KB) - December 2018

[Hydrolyzed porcine proteins for manufacturing use](#) (12.56 KB) - January 2014

[Milk and dairy: Bovine-Origin Dairy for Manufacturing](#) (159.27 KB) (including samples

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for human consumption - November 2019

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[Porcine offal and casings \(inedible\) for manufacturing](#) (12.41 KB) - March 2014

[Porcine offal \(meat, offal, viscera, and pastes\) for pet food manufacturing](#) - August 2012

[Porcine pancreatin](#) (84.56 KB) - February 2013

[Processed bovine bone for biomedical uses](#) (20.72 KB) - July 2014

[Processed Egg Products for Animal Feeding](#) (19.82 KB) - September 2012

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[Reptile hides and skins](#) (30.52 KB) - January 2014

[Trophy materials \(unfinished\)](#) (33.05 KB) - July 2012

Need Help Exporting Animal Products?

If you have any questions or concerns about the procedures and requirements for exporting animal products, or to obtain a zoosanitary certificate for an animal product, contact the APHIS Veterinary Services office covering the area from which the product will be exported, the area in which your office is located, or the area in which the product is manufactured.

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