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# Export Animal Products to South Africa

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## Alerts

[Important information regarding trade bans and other restrictions](#) (186.65 KB) - July 2025

**South Africa has notified APHIS that they will not accept VS Form 16-4. Certificates for animal products exported to South Africa should be issued on letterhead.**

South Africa develops very specific import requirements for each shipment of a product coming from a particular manufacturer. The AVIC endorsing a health certificate for a shipment going to South Africa should ask for a copy of the import permit to ensure that all the requirements have been met. ***The AVIC endorsing the certificate must also confirm shipment dates prior to certificate endorsement, as South Africa requires endorsement dates to precede shipment dates.*** Each import permit is good only for one shipment. The following certificates should be valid for the products listed below, regardless of manufacturer. However, it is still a good idea to check the import permit.

# Commodity Specific Information

[Ban - Epidemic Diarrhea Virus \(PEDV\)](#) (57.98 KB) - April 2014

[Bile Salts for Pharmaceutical Use](#) (25.31 KB) - September 2005

[Caseine, Caseinate or Milk-Protein](#) (31.98 KB) for Human Consumption Derived from Milk Products Imported from FMD Infected Countries - September 2007

## Feathers & Down (raw & processed)

[Guidance:](#) (20.08 KB) Veterinary Certificate for the export of Feathers and Finished Products containing Feathers From the United States to South Africa - May 2011

[Certificate:](#) (18.68 KB) Veterinary Certificate for the export of Feathers and Finished Products containing Feathers From the United States to South Africa - May 2011 (pdf 13kb)

## Hides & Skins

- [Exporter Guidance](#) (960.83 KB): *Veterinary Health Certificate for the export of Hides & Skins from the United States to South Africa* - March 2013
- [Veterinary Certificate \(fillable\)](#) (451.09 KB): March 2013

[Non-Animal Origin Products](#) (99.29 KB) - April 2019

## Protein Shakes or protein supplements for human consumption (containing BOTH dairy & egg ingredients)

- [Exporter Guidance](#) (67.68 KB): *Veterinary Certificate for the export of Products Containing Dairy and Egg from the United States to South Africa* - January 2013
- [Exporter Guidance for Completion of the](#) (108.84 KB) *Veterinary Certificate For the export of Products Containing Dairy and Egg from the United States to South Africa* - January 2013
- [Veterinary Certificate \(fillable\)](#) (84.55 KB): - January 2013

## Wool & Mohair

- [Guidance Document: Wool & Mohair](#) (130.7 KB) - June 2012
- [Veterinary Certificate: Wool & Mohair](#) (55.52 KB) - June 2012

- [Veterinary Certificate \(fillable\): Wool & Mohair](#) (85.32 KB) - June 2012

[Milk and Milk-Based Products for Animal Consumption](#) (141.63 KB) - November 2014

[Milk and Milk-Based Products for Human Consumption](#) (231.25 KB) - November 2022

## Pet food

- [General information](#) (146.36 KB) - November 2024
- [Certificate](#) (172.72 KB) - November 2024

## 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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#### Certificate Endorsement or Export Questions

For animal product export certificate endorsement or questions, select your State or Territory to email the appropriate office and include "Animal products: endorsement or question" plus your State or Territory's name in the subject line. **Note:** *Offices may serve multiple States and Territories.*

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#### Facility Inspections or Questions

For animal product export facility inspection requests or questions, select your State or Territory to email the appropriate office and include "Facility Inspection" plus your State or Territory's name in the subject line. **Note:** *Offices may serve multiple States and Territories.*

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