

Instructions for APHIS/VS Completion of “U.S. Origin Health Certificates for Exportation of Live Aquaculture to the Republic of Korea”:

The health certificate should be printed on plain white paper without letter head.

The disease list referenced in the ‘Certification Statement’ will be posted on IREGS, and is intended to be used by the issuing competent authority (aquaculture specialist, biologist, veterinarian, etc. who has knowledge of the health status of the farm of origin) for certification of disease status of the aquaculture indented for export. The disease list does not need to accompany the endorsed health certificate.

An issuing competent authority inspects the aquatic animals and completes sections I-VII of the health certificate (HC) as noted below.

- I. **Ministry/Department:** USDA
- II. **Agency:** APHIS
- III. **Name and Address of Consignor:** Exporter/Broker information
- IV. **Name and Address of Consignee:** Importer information
- V. **Scientific/Common Name of Aquatic Animals:** Include both Latin and common name, and include names of all species within the shipment.
- VI. **Shipment Information**
 1. **Aquaculture Type:** Select as appropriate;
NOTE: APHIS can endorse either type.
 2. **Origin of Aquaculture:** Select as appropriate;
NOTE: APHIS can only endorse for ‘Farm raised’. United States Fish and Wildlife Services (USFWS) or National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Association (NOAA) must endorse for ‘Wild caught’.
 3. **Intended Use of Aquaculture:** Select as appropriate;
NOTE: APHIS can endorse any option, except for “human consumption”. Only NOAA can endorse the option for “human consumption” as the intended use.
 4. **Quantity in Shipment:** List the number of containers and/or number of animals and/or net weight, as applicable/customary for the species.
 5. **Means of Transportation:** Fill in as appropriate
- VII. **Certification Statement:** The issuing competent authority is responsible for reviewing the Republic of Korea’s (ROK) disease list (enclosed) and verifying that the aquatic animals are free of the diseases listed as a concern for the specific species in the shipment. Verification is completed with historical knowledge of the farm of origin disease status and/or with specific disease testing. Although testing is not specifically required prior to export, ROK can test any shipment after arrival for the diseases listed as concerns for the species shipped.

APHIS Area Office, will review the HC for completeness, verify information included, and if correct sign and stamp the document.