Argentina - Important information regarding trade bans and other restrictions

Poultry products:

Avian Influenza:

In the event of an official report by the United States of an incident of notifiable avian influenza, Argentina’s SENASA may impose restrictions for the importation of fresh and fresh frozen poultry products that have not been heat treated, notably frozen poultry cartilage.

Due to the recent confirmed finding of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in Chesterfield County, SC the following restrictions apply:

For Thermoprocessed poultry products and by-products, poultry from any area under Federal quarantine for LPAI or HPAI is ineligible for export to Argentina.

For Poultry Cartilage for Pharmaceutical Industry, poultry from the entire United States is ineligible for export to Argentina.

For Poultry Cartilage for Pharmaceutical Industry, poultry from Chesterfield County, South Carolina is ineligible for export to Argentina even if thermally processed.

Velogenic Newcastle Disease (vND):

USDA has confirmed cases of velogenic Newcastle disease (vND) in several counties in California. Accordingly, please discontinue certification of the following protocols as indicated below until otherwise directed:

Poultry Cartilage for Pharmaceutical Industry
From the following areas:
  a. The entire United States on or after May 17, 2018

Thermoprocessed poultry products and by-products
From the following areas:
  a. Alameda County on or after March 13, 2019 and on or before June 11, 2019;
  b. Los Angeles County on or after May 17, 2018 and on or before January 9, 2019;
  c. Monterey County on or after April 20, 2019 and on or before September 18, 2019;
  d. Riverside County on or after June 30, 2018 and on or before February 24, 2020;
  e. San Bernardino County on or after May 24, 2018 and on or before February 24, 2020;
  f. Stanislaus County on or after August 18, 2018 and on or before July 29, 2019;
  g. Ventura County on or after August 15, 2018 and on or before January 18, 2019;

Rabbit products:

Argentina SENASA advised on April 26, 2010, that animal products from rabbits are restricted unless they have received an appropriate treatment to inactivate rabbit hemorrhagic disease virus.
We will continue to provide updates as restrictions are placed or lifted. Please do not hesitate to contact your local APHIS Service Center if you have any additional questions or concerns.