

SANITARY CERTIFICATE FOR CHEESE (OTHER THAN RAW MILK CHEESE¹) AND BUTTER FROM APPROVED COUNTRIES WHICH ARE FREE FROM FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE

Exporting Country: United States of America
Ministry of: USDA/APHIS/VS
Province, district, etc.:

I. Identification of consignment

Name and address of manufacturing establishment:

Registration number of manufacturing establishment:

Type of Product:

II. Origin of the milk contained in the dairy product to which this certification applies

Country/Countries of origin of the milk from which this cheese or butter is made:

Country/Countries of manufacture of the cheese or butter (manufacturing includes all steps prior to certification. This includes, but is not limited to, processing, packaging, labelling and storage):

III. Destination of the cheese or butter

Shipping Establishment:

Importing Establishment:

Nature and identification of means of transport:

Container No.:

Seal No. (if applicable):

Name and address of Exporter:

Name and address of Consignee:

¹ This certificate does not apply to raw milk cheese as defined in Australian legislation in the *Imported Food Control Order 2019* (legislation.gov.au/Series/F2019L01233).

IV. Attestation of Animal Health

Note: Part IV must be signed by the *Official Veterinarian*. An endorsed consignment specific manufacturer's declaration with a completed section III must be attached.

The undersigned *Official Veterinarian* certifies that:

- (i) The milk from which the cheese and/or butter was made is of bovine and/or ovine and/or caprine origin.
- (ii) The United States is free from foot-and-mouth disease (without vaccination). The United States is included in Australia's FMD-Free Country List².
- (iii) The country/countries listed in section II above is/are is included in Australia's FMD-Free Country List² as free from foot-and-mouth disease.
- (iv) The animals were clinically healthy at the time the milk was obtained.
- (v) *Select the option(s) that applies:*
 - The packaging or immediate container(s) indicate(s) the date of product manufacturing³;
 - The manufacturer's declaration provides the date of manufacture³ for each batch or lot number.
- (vi) I have read and endorsed the attached manufacturer's declaration and have no reason to doubt the truth of the declaration.

Name and address of Veterinarian:

Signature _____ *Date:*

Official Stamp:

² As prepared by the Australian Director of Biosecurity and published on the Australian Agriculture Department's website (agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity/legislation/fmd-free-country-list).

³ For cheese, the date of manufacture is the date the curd was set, or after.

MANUFACTURER'S DECLARATION - for cheese and butter from approved countries which are free from foot and mouth disease

I. Manufacturer Details

Name and address of manufacturing establishment:

Registration number of manufacturing establishment:

II. Description of Products

Country/Countries of origin of the milk from which this cheese or butter is made:

Brand Name / Product Description	Manufacture Date	Packaging type and size	Quantity of packages

(II. Description of Products *CONTINUED*)

Brand Name / Product Description	Manufacture Date	Packaging type and size	Quantity of packages

III. Statements

EITHER

The milk from which the cheese and/or butter was made was subjected to one of the following heat treatments: [*Select one*]

____ (a) pasteurization at 72°C for a minimum of 15 seconds; or

____ (b) UHT treatment at 135°C for a minimum of 1 second; or

____ (c) an alternative heat treatment equivalent to pasteurization of milk as stated on the Australian import permit: vat/batch pasteurization at 63°C for a minimum of 30 minutes; or

____ (d) an alternative heat treatment equivalent to pasteurization of milk as stated on the Australian import permit: _____ [*insert type of heat treatment and ingredient, e.g. pasteurization of cream*] at _____ °C [*temperature*] for a minimum of _____ seconds [*time*].

OR

____ (e) The milk from which the cheese and/or butter was made was not heat treated as described above⁴.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Name and address of Company employee:

Position within Company: _____

Company seal or trademark:

[*Note: The Official Seal or Trademark of the Manufacturing Company must appear on each page of the Manufacturer's Declaration.*]

Name and address of Veterinarian:

Signature _____ Date: _____

Official Stamp:

⁴ Goods which are not certified as being heat treated as described above will not be released from Australian biosecurity control until the conclusion of 30 days from the date of manufacture (curd set).