

**Moist Pet Foods for Dogs, Cats, Reptiles and Ferrets (*Mustelidae*)
Exported from the United States to Brazil**

The export of moist pet foods to Brazil requires that an importer representing and authorized by the exporting company be registered with MAPA, Brazil's Animal Health authority; this registration may be valid for up to 5 years. Product registrations are also typically required and are valid for 10 years. Product registrations can generally be renewed yearly through payment of a fee. Product registration requires evidence that the product and the manufacturing company are authorized to produce the product in the United States.

For pet food registrations, APHIS VS may be able to facilitate the process by issuing a certificate "for registration purposes," following inspection of the facility to assure that it meets the conditions of the certificate below. An additional statement pertaining to GMP (good manufacturing practices) is likely to be needed. APHIS VS Area offices can include an additional statement supported by an affidavit or certificate from a State agency that regulates pet food and has competency to regulate GMPs. This statement attests that the pet food product identified on the certificate and made in the subject facility is produced under good manufacturing practices.

Small quantities of animal feeds carried by a traveler and intended for personal use may be certified upon presentation of an import permit issue by MAPA. Additional declaration will be defined by MAPA at the import permit.

The product description (product box on VS Form 16-4) should indicate the species of origin for all animal origin ingredients, as well as the nature of the product.

Pet foods containing ruminant origin ingredients as source materials must be label in accordance with Brazilian requirements and such ingredients must be listed individually on the certificate.

The following certification statements should be provided on a VS Form 16-4 and certification statements must be provided in English and in Portuguese. The affidavit line should precede the certification statements placed on any continuation page. All pages of the certificate should be appropriately numbered (e.g., page 1 of 2, page 2 of 2).

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [company name] verifying the accuracy of the statements below. / *Este escritório tem arquivada uma declaração autenticada de [nome da empresa], verificando a exatidão das declarações abaixo:*

1. The product was packed in hermetically sealed containers and subjected to a heat treatment method in which all ingredients were heated to a minimal temperature of 120°C for at least 10 minutes, achieving an F_0 of 3.0 or more. / *O produto foi embalado em recipiente hermeticamente fechado e submetido a tratamento térmico onde todos os ingredientes foram aquecidos a uma temperatura mínima de 120°C por pelo menos 10 minutos, atingindo um valor mínimo de F_0 de 3,0.*

[Note: Any other treatment used to inactivate pathogens must be previously approved by the Ministry of Agriculture of Brazil.]

2. The product contains the following ruminant-origin ingredients: [dairy and its by-products] [protein-free tallow with a maximum level of insoluble impurities of 0.15% in weight and byproducts] [calcinated bone meal without protein and fat,] [hides and/or skins,] [gelatin and/or collagen processed in accordance to the recommendation of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code of the OIE (World Organization for Animal Health)]. / *O produto contém os seguintes ingredientes originados de ruminantes: [leite e produtos lácteos] [sebo desproteínado com impurezas insolúveis correspondendo, no máximo, a 0,15% do peso e produtos derivados do mesmo] [farinha de ossos calcinados sem proteína ou gorduras] [couros e peles] [gelatina e colágeno processados de acordo com o Código Sanitário para os Animais Terrestres da OIE].*
3. The product was packed at the production facility identified herein and precautions have been taken to avoid contamination with other products that do not comply with these requirements and shipped directly to the shipping facility and packed in a container sealed under the supervision of the authorized representative. / *O produto foi embalado na unidade fabril aqui identificada, de maneira a evitar contaminação cruzada com produtos que não cumpram as exigências estabelecidas nestes requisitos, transportadas diretamente até o local de embarque e acondicionadas em contêiner lacrado sob supervisão do representante autorizado.*

[Note: The following statements (4 – 6) apply only for pet foods containing other regulated ruminant-origin ingredients (other than dairy and its by-products, protein-free tallow with a maximum level of insoluble impurities of 0.15% in weight and byproducts, calcinated bone meal without protein and fat, hides and/or skins, or gelatin or collagen processed in accordance to the recommendation of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code).]

4. Regulated ruminant origin ingredients derive from animals that were born and raised until slaughter in [(a) country (ies)] classified by the OIE as a negligible risk for bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE). / *Os ingredientes regulamentados originados de ruminantes são derivados de animais nascidos e que permaneceram de forma ininterrupta até o abate em país(es) classificado(s) pela Organização Mundial de Saúde Animal (OIE) como de risco insignificante para encefalopatia espongiforme bovina (EEB).*
5. Pet food was produced in a manufacturing facility where precautions, such as physical cleaning, sanitation, flushing, sequencing, or other separation measures, have been performed to prevent any commingling or cross-contamination with prohibited ruminant-origin materials during processing and storage of the certified products. / *A ração para animais de estimação foi produzida em uma unidade fabril onde precauções como limpeza e lavagem da linha de produção, sequenciamento das ordens de produção ou outras medidas de separação foram realizados para prevenir a mistura ou contaminação cruzada com materiais de ruminantes de origem proibida, durante o processamento e armazenamento dos produtos certificados.*
6. The product is labeled in accordance with Brazilian requirements with the following notation: / *O produto é rotulado seguindo os requisitos Brasileiros e contém a seguinte afirmação: “Uso proibido na alimentação de ruminantes. Not to be used in ruminant feeding.”*