



VETERINARY HEALTH CERTIFICATE FOR IMPORT OF RAW ANIMAL PRODUCTS AND BY-PRODUCTS FROM
USA AND REGIONS AND ZONES WITHIN USA DESIGNATED FREE OF DISEASES OF CONCERN
(Susceptible, by species of origin) FOR PHARMACEUTICAL MANUFACTURE IN CANADA
(or under import permit for other end uses) (Note OIE Categorization applies to BSE risk)

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Exporting Country: USA	
Central Competent Veterinary Authority name: U.S. Department of Agriculture	
SECTION I - ORIGIN AND DESTINATION OF THE PRODUCT	
i. CFIA Import Permit Number (if applicable):	
ii. Name of consignor (s) (from whom the products are shipped) Address :	iii. Name of consignee: (destination in Canada) Address :
	iv. Health Canada Establishment License (EL) number as per Canadian Food and Drugs Act and Food and Drugs Regulations:
v. the name and address of slaughter establishment (if different than above)	vi. country's competent veterinary authority (CCVA) approval number of establishment(s) (e.g. abattoir; cutting plant; processing plant; cold store; other); APHIS reference number:
DESCRIPTION OF THE PRODUCT/END USE/SHIPPING:	
vii. Description of Commodity: Species (Common and Scientific name); Nature of commodity; Lot identification/date code; Quantity; Number of packages; Net weight; shipping method; fresh, frozen, other:	
viii. Intended use of the imported animals products or by-products. 1. Pharmaceutical or cosmetic manufacture 2. Technical or Other use: applies to commodities not intended for human or animal consumption – CFIA import permit required	
ix. Markings on the seal (such as company logo or name or other) and seal number applied to shipping container:	
x. Description of container (include marks (such as company logo or name or other), Company ID numbers, provincial or state registration, such as license plate number (or other marking), other, (as applicable):	



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SECTION II – specific certification conditions

I, the undersigned, official ⁽¹¹⁾ veterinarian of the United States Department of Agriculture, after due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge, do hereby certify that the products/by-products as described above:

II.1. Consists exclusively of products taken from animals slaughtered within _____ [insert name of country here]

II.2. Are all derived from animals which:

II.2.1. were born and raised in the United States of America, and

II.2.1.1. sourced from regions or zones which is/are recognized by Canada as free ⁽²⁾ of the following diseases of concern (check off only applicable species)

- For avian species including poultry: Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza, low pathogenicity H5 and H7 avian influenza viruses and Newcastle disease
- For ruminants: Contagious bovine pleuropneumonia; Foot-and-mouth disease (FMD); Lumpy skin disease; Peste des petits ruminants; Rift valley fever and Sheep pox and goat pox; Vesicular Stomatitis+
- For swine: African swine fever; Classical swine fever (Hog cholera); Foot and Mouth Disease; Swine vesicular disease; Vesicular Stomatitis+
- For Horses & other equids: African horse sickness and Vesicular Stomatitis+
- For lagomorphs (Commercially reared): rabbit viral haemorrhagic disease and myxomatosis

and

II.2.1.2 have not been in contact with any animal or animal product or animal by-product of a susceptible species from a country, region or zone that is not recognized by Canada as free ⁽²⁾ of the above diseases of concern as listed in II.2.1.1.

AND/OR

II.2.2 legally imported from _____ [insert name here of countries, regions or zones], which is/are recognized by Canada as free ⁽²⁾ of the following diseases of concern (listed in notes by susceptible species) (check off only applicable species)

- For avian species including poultry: Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza, low pathogenicity H5 and H7 avian influenza viruses and Newcastle disease
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and/or that the animals from which the products are derived were present in the country, region or zone of slaughter _____ [insert country, region or zone name here] without restrictions (outside of quarantine) for the time ⁽³⁾ required by species of origin;

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II.2.3. the animal products/by-products have not been in contact with any animal or animal product or animal by-product of a susceptible species from a country, region or zone that was not recognized by



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Canada as free ⁽²⁾ of the following diseases of concern: (listed in notes by susceptible species - Insert disease of concern) (check off only applicable species)

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NOTE: Only check this section if the product is for pharmaceutical/cosmetic purposes

II.3. The product and container(s) bears a label "For medicinal purposes" or the words "For pharmaceutical purposes"

II.4. The producing establishment was operating under a Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) principles based system determined by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) to be equivalent to the CFIA Food Safety Enhancement Program (FSEP) and from a country and an establishment approved to export both edible and inedible meat products to Canada by CFIA;

II.5. The product has been prepared exclusively with the following animal by-products (name species of origin and tissue type): _____

II.6. None of the animals from which the products/by-products are derived were suspected or confirmed of the following diseases, or any other reportable disease as defined by Canada and no testing results are outstanding for the below diseases (for confirmatory negative ⁽⁸⁾ testing or suspect testing ⁽⁹⁾ as defined by CFIA: anthrax, foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest or Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy and none of the animals from which the products/by-products are derived were under any official restrictions by the competent veterinary authority (State or Federal) for any serious epizootic ⁽⁴⁾ disease to which the species from which the by-product was derived is susceptible and that can be transmitted by the by-product (see Notes II.1 and II. below);

[⁽⁵⁾ II.7. Additional certification for either swine or lagomorph origin products:

NOTE: Only check this section II.7.1 if the product contains porcine (swine) products

[⁽⁵⁾ II.7.1. For products derived from swine (or containing a mixture of products that include swine origin material), the animals from which the products were derived:

II.7.1.1. Showed no clinical sign of Aujeszky Disease (AD) on the day of slaughter;



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II.7.1.2. Have not been in contact with animals from establishments not considered free from AD during their transport to and at the abattoir;

II.7.1.3. Have not been vaccinated against AD; and

II.7.1.4. the premises of origin and all farms within a radius of three kilometres were free from any clinical or epidemiological evidence of AD for a period of 12 months prior to collection of the products/by-products.]

NOTE: Only check this section II.7.2 if the product contains lagomorph (rabbit) products

[⁽⁵⁾ II.7.2. For products derived from lagomorphs, the animals:

II.7.2.1. Showed no clinical sign of myxomatosis on the day of shipment to the approved abattoir; and

II.7.2.2. Were kept since birth, or for the six months prior to slaughter, in an establishment where no case of myxomatosis was officially reported during that period; and

⁽¹⁾ either [II.7.2.2.1. Come from an establishment considered free from rabbit haemorrhagic disease (RHD), shown, by serological testing, that the disease has not been present for at least one year, and that no vaccination has been carried out in the previous 12 months and such establishments are regularly inspected by the competent veterinary authority;]

⁽¹⁾ or [II.7.2.2.2. Were kept in an establishment where no case of RHD was reported during the 60 days prior to transport to the approved abattoir (as per II.4.); and showed no lesions of RHD at post-mortem inspections; and the shipment does not include any pelts from any lagomorph;]]

II.8. All the animals' by-products which are covered by the present certificate:

II.8.1. are from animals that were subject to and passed ante-mortem inspection and were subject to post mortem inspection carried out by a salaried inspector under the supervision of a salaried veterinary inspector or a salaried veterinary inspector of _____ [insert name of the competent veterinary authority];

II.8.2. are from animals that were all:

⁽¹⁾ either II.8.2.1 stunned (humanely rendered unconscious) before slaughter;

⁽¹⁾ or II.8.2.2 slaughtered in conformance with ritual slaughter procedures, either Kosher or Halal slaughter, as based upon documentation provided by religious authorities or by Kosher, Halal label declaration

OR

⁽¹⁾ II. 8.2.3 the poultry products within this shipment and covered by this certificate are derived from birds slaughtered by rapid decapitation ⁽⁶⁾ without prior electrical stunning;

II.9. The container in which the products/by-products are being shipped is completely enclosed and leak-proof ⁽¹⁰⁾; and



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- (1) either II.10.1 The products contain no bovine origin products/by-products;
- (1) or II.10.2 The product contains products/by-products of bovine origin, and the bovine animals were not subjected to a stunning process in which a device is used to inject compressed air or gas into the animal's cranial cavity; and the where not subjected to a pithing process involving laceration, after stunning of the animal, of the animal's central nervous tissue by means of an elongated rod-shaped instrument that is introduced into the animal's cranial cavity

AND

- (1) either II.10.2.1 sourced only from bovine animals born and raised for the first year of their life in _____ [insert country(ies) name(s)] which is (are) a negligible risk for BSE country as recognized by (7) Canada;

- (1) OR II.10.2.2 sourced from a mixture of bovine animals both born and raised in _____ [insert 3rd country(ies) name(s)] and legally imported into _____ [insert country name] and does not contain any of the following tissues of any bovine animals:

AND

- (1) either II.10.2.2.1. The skull, brain, trigeminal ganglia, eyes, palatine tonsils, spinal cord and dorsal root ganglia of bovine aged 30 months or older; and the distal ileum of bovine of all ages (if product contains any tissues from bovine animals from controlled risk for BSE countries as recognized by Canada but no tissues from animals from undetermined risk for BSE (7) countries);
- (1) or II.10.2.2.2 The skull, brain, trigeminal ganglia, eyes, palatine tonsils, the spinal cord and the vertebral column, (excluding the vertebrae of the tail, the transverse processes of the thoracic and lumbar vertebrae, and the wings of the sacrum), from bovine animals aged 12 months or older and the distal ileum of all ages of bovine animals (if product contains any tissues from bovine animals from undetermined risk for BSE countries as recognized by (7) Canada).

Notes

Section I iv).

Health Canada Establishment License (EL) number is mandatory if end use is for pharmaceutical or cosmetic purposes as per Canadian Food and Drugs Act and Food and Drugs Regulation of the consignee. If no Health Canada EL is provided then the certificate must not be issued.

The EL must be verified on the Health Canada web site Drug Establishment Licences Listing. Searches may be done either by a) Licence number (Site optional), b) Company name, c) Activity and/or Province. <http://webprod5.hc-sc.gc.ca/el-le/start-debuter.do?lang=eng>

Indicate CFIA permit number if applicable (if for end use Technical or other)

Section I.v:

indicate the name and address of the slaughter establishment (if different than shipping establishment

Section I vi.

This is where the Approval number of establishments eligible (approved by CFIA Meat Programs) for export to Canada of edible meat products should be listed. Based on Annex A certification requirements



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as negotiated between CFIA and USDA. For more details visit: <http://www.inspection.gc.ca/food/meat-and-poultry-products/manual-of-procedures/chapter-10/annex-a/eng/1336318487908/1336319720090>
and <http://www.inspection.gc.ca/food/meat-and-poultry-products/manual-of-procedures/chapter-10/annex-a/usa/eng/1366037694685/1366037786595>

Section I. viii: must identify the end use. "Technical use" applies to commodities not intended for human or animal consumption, and "Other" is intended for purposes not listed elsewhere in this classification. Where "Technical use" or "Other" is chosen, a CFIA Import Permit is required. The Import Permit number must be clearly indicated in PART I.

Section II

(1) Check which of the two options is applicable and insert the appropriate drop down box. One of the options **must** be included in the certification unless the clause is a sub clause of a species specific clause (lagomorphs, porcine) and those species are not present in the shipment.

(2) Include the name of the State, region, county or free zone if USA has had an outbreak situation of the following diseases of concern (listed in notes by susceptible species) and the country as a whole has not regained free status as per OIE and where zoning has been recognized and published by Canada. For those diseases for which Canada has done evaluations for country or zone freedom, when a disease incursion occurs in a previously free area, and Canada has recognized and published the recognition of the control zones, full freedom is only regained when the control zone meets the requirements for freedom under the OIE guidelines.

Diseases of concern for Canada for animal products & by-products covered by this certificate are:

For avian species including poultry: Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza, low pathogenicity H5 and H7 avian influenza viruses and Newcastle disease

For ruminants: Contagious bovine pleuropneumonia; Foot-and-mouth disease (FMD); Lumpy skin disease; Peste des petits ruminants; Rift valley fever and Sheep pox and goat pox; Vesicular Stomatitis+

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Vesicular Stomatitis+ - USA zoning is recognized by Canada; Animals must be from a free zone as declared by the USA and that zone recognized and published by Canada and the animals from which the raw products are collected are not from an area or zone with an active outbreak of the disease, nor have been in direct contact with animals from either a declared outbreak, control or monitoring zone for vesicular stomatitis.

Note - If the shipment contains **none of the following listed tissues**, and all of the animals from which the products are derived have passed ante-mortem inspection carried out by the central competent



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veterinary authority, with no signs of VS, then restrictions for a zone affected with VS do not apply to this shipment and the certificate may be endorsed. Tissues of concern for VS are the **epithelial (cutaneous or skin) and mucosal tissues of the mouth, tongue, lips, nares, and teats and hooves (coronary band)**.

Rabbit viral haemorrhagic disease and myxomatosis ► No CFIA country freedom list has been established, so establishment (farm) freedom is acceptable provided that it meets the requirements listed for lagomorphs in II.7.2.

List of Countries which Canada has recognized as being free from the certain diseases:
Terrestrial Animal Health Status By Disease: (note after disease incursion for formerly free zones, full freedom recognition will be indicated by removal of the zoning notice here. Freedom is established as per OIE guidelines by disease)

<http://www.inspection.gc.ca/animals/terrestrial-animals/diseases/status-by-disease/eng/1306649804251/1306649991822>

Terrestrial Animal Health Status by Country: (note after disease incursion for formerly free zones, full freedom recognition will be indicated by removal of the zoning notice here. Freedom is established as per OIE guidelines by disease)

<http://www.inspection.gc.ca/animals/terrestrial-animals/diseases/status-by-country/eng/1306648587424/1306649135327>

+ List of Federally reportable diseases in Canada can be found here: <http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-91-2/page-2.html#docCont>

Verify the CFIA BSE Import Policy for list of countries officially recognized by CFIA as either negligible or controlled risk for BSE.

<http://www.inspection.gc.ca/animals/terrestrial-animals/imports/policies/live-animals/2005-9/eng/1321066760292/1321066949561>

(3) Time requirements for an animal to be considered part of a national herd or flock (imported and housed with animals of the importing country without restriction)

- For avian (poultry & ratite, or other): 21 days;
- For ruminants: 90 days;
- For swine: 90 days;
- For horses & other equids: 60 days;
- For lagomorphs (commercially reared): 60 days

(4) Note this section refers only to those diseases to which the species of animals from which the products/by-products are derived, is susceptible (as identified above),

(5) check if applicable and insert the appropriate drop down box. These options must be included in the certification when there are any tissues within the shipment which are derived from the species of origin listed in the section.



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- (6) The option for rapid decapitation without prior stunning is to be applied ONLY to poultry and not ratites (do not use if this is for anything other than poultry)
- (7) Canada publishes a list of BSE Categorization of countries on the Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy Import Policy for Bovine Animals and Their Products and By-Products TAHD-DSAT-IE-2005-9-5 <http://www.inspection.gc.ca/animals/terrestrial-animals/imports/policies/live-animals/2005-9/eng/1321066760292/1321066949561> The CFIA BSE import policy for bovine animals and animal products, animal by-products, germplasm, animal food, meat, meat by-products and veterinary biologics, of bovine origin, adheres closely to the recommendations of the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) and the list of negligible risk and controlled risk for BSE countries is updated regularly. The updates are initiated following the updating of lists of negligible and controlled risk for BSE countries by the OIE at the annual general council.
- (8) Confirmatory Negative Testing is defined as where a differential diagnosis includes a disease of concern (by susceptible species), but the possibility of it being a one of the disease of concern is very low, and where no regulatory movement control or oversight function has been imposed.
- (9) Suspect testing is defined as where the differential diagnosis includes a disease of concern (by susceptible species), and the possibility of it being a one of the disease of concern is present, and where regulatory movement control function has been or will be imposed.
- (10) Leak-proof container: A container whose sides and bottom prevent the escape of solids and liquids and with a tight-fitting, securely closing lid that prevents the escape of solids and the entry of animals or vermin.
- (11) The official veterinarian who signs this certificate must meet the Canadian definition of "official veterinarian"; which is defined under the *Health of Animals Regulations* as a veterinarian employed by the government of that country (*vétérinaire officiel*)

Official veterinarian ⁽¹¹⁾ of the _____ [insert name of competent veterinary authority] of _____ [insert country name]

Name (in capital letters):

Qualification and title:

Date:

Signature:



Stamp:



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DOCUMENTATION INSTRUCTIONS

EXPORT CERTIFICATE

Export Certificate of Origin must be issued by **a salaried veterinarian** of the exporting **country's central veterinary authority (CVA)**. Salaried veterinarian is defined by Canada as those who are employed for more than 22.5 hours (3 days) per week. Part time and Contract employees often work on an "as needed" basis. This intent of this requirement is to ensure that the certifying veterinarian is someone who is cognizant of the animal health status of their region and of any restrictions etc. that may affect the eligibility of an animal/herd for export. Part time or contract staff could easily not be aware of this information and may miss key directives from the CVA.

CONDITIONS OF IMPORT

Accompanying export documentation must be issued in either English or French.

The animal(s), germplasm or thing(s) described on the import permit must be shipped by the most direct and appropriate route from the point of export to the address of destination in Canada. Trans-shipment through another country requires written authorization from the Canadian Food Inspection Agency. Extra certification conditions will apply from the countries through which the product is trans-shipped.

Prior to export the container must be sealed and the seal and container numbers must appear on the official veterinary export certificate. If a container, while transiting in-bond, has been opened by Customs officials, the container must be resealed by an official Customs seal. In order to be allowed into Canada, an official document issued by Customs referring to the official export certificate must accompany the shipment and state that the original seal as indicated in the official veterinary export certificate was broken by Customs and replaced under customs supervision by a new seal # xxxxxx.