



## Annex A - Facility Questionnaire

A product of a rendering plant can only be imported into Canada under a permit issued under section 160 of the *Health of Animals Regulations* (See definition of Rendered in Import Directive # TAHD-DSAT-IE-2002-10-6).

Requests for approval for importation of rendered products from countries of controlled risk for BSE<sup>1</sup> which are also free of other important terrestrial animal diseases and whose rendering inspection system has been assessed as equivalent to Canada's by the CFIA) require that the Canadian importer fill out an [Import Permit application form](#) and complete the questionnaire found below.

Currently, for terrestrial animal (mammal and avian) meals, only the United States (U.S.) has met the above requirements.

For fish meals (all aquatic non-mammalian animals, including invertebrates), the following countries have been approved for imports to Canada: Denmark, Mauritania, Mexico, Peru, and the U.S.

Countries classified as negligible risk for BSE are automatically approved for import of fish meals to Canada.

Once completed, the questionnaire below must be endorsed and certified, or signed, as the case may be, by all of the following authorities:

1. The management of the facility listed in question 1 below;
2. The applicant for the Import Permit must be a Canadian resident to acknowledge having read and being aware of the contents of the questionnaire; and
3. A full-time, salaried veterinarian of the federal government agency who is responsible for animal health in the country of origin (i.e. for the U.S., either from the United States Department of Agriculture [USDA] or from the United States Food and Drug Administration [US FDA] or by a full-time, salaried veterinarian of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration [NOAA]).

Completed and endorsed questionnaires are valid for one year past the date of endorsement by the central competent veterinary authority (CCA). An importer may renew the validity period of the questionnaire for each subsequent year, provided there have been no changes within the establishment. This no-change status to the information within the original questionnaire is to be confirmed by having a dated, signed, stamped CCA letterhead letter tied to the original questionnaire, indicating that there have been no changes at the exporting establishment, and that this has been confirmed by the CCA.

1. Complete the name and the address of the facility where your product is processed, produced, packaged, stored, or otherwise handled. (Note: a questionnaire must be completed for each facility.)

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<sup>1</sup> OIE assessment of country classification for BSE risk.



2. In the following area list (please number) all animal origin materials received, stored, processed, or otherwise handled in this facility; list the type of ingredients, species of origin, and country of origin. (If more space is needed, include an attachment.)

Type (e.g. meals, offals, meat, tallows, egg, milk, blood, gelatin)	Species of Origin	Country of Origin

These are provided as examples only, and your facility may have other animal origin materials. **Please list all animal origin materials in your facility(ies).**

3. List all products that will be exported to Canada and the individual ingredient list by product. (Attach list or label if necessary.)

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Comments:

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4. For dry rendered meals only

Is the moisture content of the rendered meals manufactured, stored, processed, or otherwise handled in this facility less than 12%?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

If no, indicate moisture content \_\_\_\_\_

5. Liquid products (e.g., poultry digest or fish protein hydrolysate)

Is the product for further processing in Canada?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

a. If no, please indicate the processing time and temperature, or pH or other processing that the product has undergone.

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6. Fats and oils of animal origin (including yellow grease or used fats or oils from commercial enterprises)

a. Is the oil/fat a single species origin product?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ If Yes, which species?

No \_\_\_\_\_ Describe: \_\_\_\_\_



b. For bovine origin oil/fat (sole source or mixed product - see section II - Rendered Fats and Oils within the Import Directive above).

Does the product contain less than 0.15% insoluble impurities?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ Attach a certificate of analysis<sup>2</sup> from an independent third party

No \_\_\_\_\_

7. What is the name of the competent federal regulatory agency (e.g., for U.S. origin product USDA/APHIS/FSIS or FDA or NOAA), which oversees (inspects and approves) the production of your product and which has the authority to provide government certification for materials being exported to Canada?

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Signature of Canadian importer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title of Canadian importer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date (yyyy/mm/dd)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of facility official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title of facility official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date (yyyy/mm/dd)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Veterinary Inspector

OFFICIAL SEAL

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title of Veterinary Inspector

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Veterinary Inspector

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Date (yyyy/mm/dd)

<sup>2</sup> using the American Oil Chemists' Society (AOCS) method Ca 3a-46, AOCS



For FISH (AQUATIC ANIMAL) MEALS only.

The section below should only be completed for fish meal facilities if they were inspected by a non-veterinary inspector (e.g. U.S. NOAA). The questionnaire must be endorsed or counter-endorsed by an official full-time, salaried federal government veterinarian.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Inspector

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Title of Veterinary Inspector

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Veterinary Inspector

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date (yyyy/mm/dd)

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Signature of Official Government Veterinarian

OFFICIAL SEAL

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Title of Official Government Veterinarian

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Date (yyyy/mm/dd)