Cervid Products

Japan prohibits the importation of any US cervid products because of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD). This includes products of deer, elk, moose, and caribou.

The only product known to be exempt from the ban is fully tanned leather.

For very limited research purposes, Japan may issue a special permit depending on the product and conditions. The importer or exporter should contact Animal Quarantine Station and submit all the detailed information. The special permit is issued very rarely by Japan for prohibited materials for only limited occasions.

APHIS cannot issue an export certificate for cervid products to Japan unless a valid Japanese import permit (and an English translation) are provided to the issuing office at the time of endorsement.