

Food Preparations Containing Animal Products and Less than 2 % Meat Ingredients for Human Consumption for Export to Mexico

This document describes the requirements of Mexico for food preparations intended for human consumption and which contain animal origin ingredients such as dairy and milk by-products, egg products, porcine and/or bovine-origin hydrolyzed protein (gelatin) as well as minor amounts of cooked meat and meat products not in excess of 2%. This IREG should not be used for food preparations and products containing cooked meat and meat products (bovine, caprine or ovine or poultry meat) in excess of 2 % or containing raw meat ingredients. For such preparations, the certifying agency is USDA Food Safety Inspection Service.

Mexico SENASICA requires certain traceability information for animal products offered for importation. For food preparations containing animal origin ingredients intended for human consumption covered by this document, the export certificate should present the product lot number in the identification block. In order for the documentation to comply with Article 89 of Mexico's Animal Health Law, the certificate should be accompanied by a manufacturer's supplemental declaration that is cross referenced by the lot numbers that are given on the certificate. For each lot, the manufacturer's declaration must provide production, packing or shipping and product expiry dates. The manufacturer's supplemental declaration must be signed by a legal representative of the company, giving their position within the company (acceptable examples: owner, president, quality control manager). The original and a copy of the supplemental declaration are required at the time of presentation of the product.

The following bilingual certification statements should be provided in the Additional Declarations section of the Export Certificate for Animal Products (VS Form 16-4) and continuation page VS form 16-4A as needed. A notarized affidavit from the manufacturer is required to support these statements on the export certificate issued by APHIS Veterinary Services.

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [name of company] verifying the accuracy of the statements below: / *Esta oficina tiene una declaración notariada de (nombre de la compañía) verificando la autenticidad de las siguientes declaraciones:*

1. Animal-origin ingredients originated in the United States or the product and/or raw ingredients were legally imported from _____ (indicate country/countries of origin). / *El producto es originario del país señalado en este documento como de origen, o bien, que el producto y/o materia prima fueron importados legalmente, señalando el país en este documento.*
2. The product contains less than 2 % cooked meat ingredients. / *El producto contiene menos del 2% de contenido cárnico cocido.*
3. The product was processed in an establishment under official control. / *El producto se procesó en un establecimiento bajo control sanitario oficial.*

4. The product is intended for human consumption. / *El producto está destinado al consumo humano.*
5. The products contain milk and milk products, eggs and egg products and/or bovine hydrolyzed protein (gelatin) whose use is permitted by the health authority of the United States as part of the formulation of the product. / *Los productos contienen leche, derivados lácteos, ovoproductos y/o proteína hidrolizada bovina (gelatina) cuyo uso está permitido por la autoridad sanitaria del país de origen para su inclusión en la formulación del producto.*
6. The product is a processed food product that contains a variety of animal origin ingredients, is regulated under the food safety authority of the competent food safety agencies, and is freely traded in the United States. / *El producto es un alimento procesado que contiene una variedad de productos de origen animal, bajo el ámbito de las agencias de inocuidad alimentarias competentes, y que se comercializa libremente en Estados Unidos.*