

Animal-Origin Pet Foods for Export to the Russian Federation

Effective March 2, 2021, the Russian Federation prohibits the import from the United States of all materials intended for consumption by animals (even pets). The Russian Federation indicated this prohibition was imposed based upon GMO-related requirements. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is working together with the USDA Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) to address the situation.

Prior to this prohibition, the Russian Federation had been believed to require the “Veterinary certificate for dog and cat feeds exported from U.S.A. to the Russia Federation” (from June 2010) for the importation of animal-origin dog and cat food from the United States, but even before March 2, 2021, had discontinued the listing of “new” facilities for the manufacture of dog and cat food to be exported to the Russian Federation.

APHIS Veterinary Services **cannot** endorse **any** certificates for these materials for export to the Russian Federation at this time.