

Determining Which Certification Requirements Apply

Exporters should always have their importers confirm prior to shipment that the consignment will be allowed entry with only the documentation that will accompany the consignment. Generally Switzerland follows the import requirements of the [European Union](#). If there is any doubt regarding the requirements for a consignment, or when requirements are not listed, the U.S. exporter should have the Swiss importer email the Swiss government at info@blv.admin.ch with a description of the proposed import including the animal-origin contents, and the intended use of the material in Switzerland. The Swiss government will respond to the importer in writing. The U.S. exporter should then obtain that response from the importer, and provide it and a translation of it (including the original email question) to their local [Veterinary Services service center](#).