

Export of Dairy Products for Human Consumption to Trinidad and Tobago

The Animal Health Subdivision of Trinidad and Tobago's Ministry of Food Production has confirmed that dairy products for human consumption produced in the United States should be certified by the USDA Agricultural Marketing Service, Dairy Programs.

Information is available from <http://www.ams.usda.gov/services/imports-exports/dairy-exports> and <https://www.ams.usda.gov/services/imports-exports/dairy-exports/dairy-sanitary-certificates>, or email Dairyexportsquestions@ams.usda.gov.

Imported products for reexport to Trinidad and Tobago

Dairy products such as ice cream, milk, yogurt, cheese, and milk powder that have been legally imported from countries approved by the Ministry of Food Production*, that are free for sale in the United States, and that have not been processed in the United States may be certified for export to Trinidad and Tobago. APHIS Veterinary Services may issue a certificate with the statements detailed under option one or option two for such dairy products.

Option one: The exporter provides a government-issued veterinary certificate from the originating country giving appropriate statements about the origin of imported materials or how materials were processed in the originating country.

1. The products were legally imported into the United States from _____ (name of country) under export certificate _____ (reference the export certificate of the country of origin).
2. The product was not processed in the United States.

Option two: The exporter provides a copy of the corresponding "entry summary" document issued by the pertinent U.S. customs agency. In addition, a notarized affidavit to support the statements on the VS Form 16-4 issued by APHIS Veterinary Services must be provided.

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [insert importer or import broker, manufacturer company name] verifying the accuracy of the statements below:

1. The products were legally imported into the United States.
2. The product was not processed in the United States.

*Prior to shipment, importers should verify the eligibility of dairy products from third countries with the Ministry of Food Production.