

Export to Thailand: Non-Ruminant Rendered Meals and Blood

This information pertains to U.S. origin non-ruminant rendered meals (e.g., porcine meat-and-bone meal (MBM), poultry byproduct meal, feather meal) and non-ruminant rendered blood (e.g., spray-dried porcine plasma) manufactured in U.S. rendering facilities.

The animal health authorities of Thailand (Department of Livestock Development or DLD) have agreed to accept U.S.-origin non-ruminant rendered meals and bloods described herein. Except as noted in this information, no changes can be made to these bilaterally negotiated certification statements (including addition or deletion of information) without permission from the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Veterinary Services (VS) National Import Export Services (NIES) Animal Products Trade Negotiations staff.

Please review the information below regarding facility approval. Other requirements for entry of non-ruminant rendered meals and blood into Thailand are not known. U.S. exporters are encouraged to work closely with their Thai importers to determine if an import permit is needed; if the product must be registered with Thai authorities; or if other entry requirements must be met.

FACILITY APPROVAL

Only facilities that have been inspected and approved by Thailand's DLD or otherwise approved by Thailand are eligible to export. While NIES maintains a list of non-ruminant rendered meal and blood facilities approved by Thailand within the APHIS internal database, APHIS inspection and approval is not needed. After verification of facility approval, APHIS VS certification of these commodities for export will be done on the basis of a notarized affidavit.

CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Non-ruminant rendered meals and blood sourced from approved facilities must be certified for export to Thailand using the VS Form 16-4 "Export Certificate for Animal Products." A fillable version of this form can be accessed via a link on the home page of the [IREGS](#).

Exporters should work with the pertinent VS Service Center to ensure the export documents are properly and thoroughly completed. Exporters will need to provide a supporting notarized affidavit to the endorsing VS Service Center.

The following statements must be provided in the "ADDITIONAL DECLARATIONS" section of the VS Form 16-4:

This office has on a file a notarized affidavit from *[exporter/manufacture]* verifying the accuracy of the statements below.

1. The product was manufactured with raw materials derived from poultry and/or other non-ruminant species.
2. The product is U.S. origin, was manufactured in accordance with U.S. laws and regulations, and meets the requirements of the United States for domestic sale and use in animal feed.
3. The material used in the manufacture of the certified product was subjected to heat processing adequate to destroy microbiological pathogens of concern and result in a product fit for animal consumption.
4. The product was manufactured and handled in a sanitary manner, including precautions to prevent contamination with microbiological pathogens following processing.

In the "PRODUCT" section of the VS Form 16-4, the type of product and animal species of origin should be identified (e.g., poultry byproduct meal or spray-dried porcine plasma).