

## Extruded and Pelletized Pet Foods for Dogs, Cats, Reptiles and Ferrets (Mustelidae) to Brazil from the United States

The export of extruded and pelletized pet foods to Brazil requires that an importer representing and authorized by the exporting company be registered with MAPA, Brazil's Animal Health authority; this registration may be valid for up to 5 years. Product registrations are also typically required and are valid for 10 years. Product registrations can generally be renewed yearly through payment of a fee. Product registration requires evidence that the product and the manufacturing company are authorized to produce the product in the United States.

For pet food registrations, APHIS VS may be able to facilitate the process by issuing a certificate "for registration purposes," following inspection of the facility to assure that it meets the conditions of the certificate below. An additional statement pertaining to GMP (good manufacturing practices) is likely to be needed. APHIS VS Area offices can include an additional statement supported by an affidavit or certificate from a State agency that regulates pet food and has competency to regulate GMPs. This statement attests that the pet food product identified on the certificate and made in the subject facility is produced under good manufacturing practices.

Small quantities of animal feeds carried by a traveler and intended for personal use may be certified upon presentation of an import permit issue by MAPA. Additional declaration will be defined by MAPA at the import permit.

The product description (product box on VS Form 16-4) should indicate the species of origin for all animal origin ingredients, as well as the nature of the product.

The following certification statements should be provided on a VS Form 16-4 and certification statements must be provided in English and in Portuguese. The affidavit line should precede the certification statements placed on any continuation page. All pages of the certificate should be appropriately numbered (e.g., page 1 of 2, page 2 of 2).

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [company name] verifying the accuracy of the statements below. / *Este gabinete tem em um arquivo de declaração autenticada de [nome da empresa], verificando a exatidão das declarações abaixo:*

1. Ruminant origin ingredients, except dairy and protein-free tallow with a maximum level of insoluble impurities of 0.15% in weight, derive from animals that were born and raised until slaughter in [a country][countries] classified by the OIE as a negligible risk for bovine spongiforme encephalopathy (BSE). / *Para ingredientes de origem de ruminantes, exceto lácteos e sebo livre desproteinado que contenha impurezas insolúveis correspondendo, no máximo, a 0,15% do peso, são derivados de animais nascidos e que permaneceram de forma ininterrupta até o abate em país(es) classificado(s) pela Organização Mundial de Saúde Animal (OIE) como de risco insignificante para encefalopatia espongiforme bovina (EEB).*

2. The pet food was produced in a manufacturing facility on a production line that does not handle ruminant meat and meal products except those from Australia, New Zealand or other country classified as negligible risk for BSE. Precautions have been taken during processing and storage of the certified products to prevent any commingling or cross-contamination with prohibited ruminant-origin materials. / *A ração para animais de estimação foi produzida em uma linha de produção de um estabelecimento que não processa carne e farinha de ruminantes, exceto aqueles originados da Austrália, Nova Zelândia ou outro país classificado como risco insignificante para EEB. Precauções foram tomadas durante o processamento e armazenagem do produto certificado para prevenir a mistura ou contaminação cruzada com materiais de ruminantes de origem proibida.*
  
3. The product was subjected to an extrusion method of processing and all ingredients were heated according to the following minimal parameters: time: \_\_\_\_, temperature: \_\_\_\_, and pressure: \_\_\_\_. / *O produto foi submetido a processamento por extrusão e todos os ingredientes foram aquecidos de acordo com os parâmetros mínimos de tempo: \_\_\_\_, temperatura \_\_\_\_, e pressão: \_\_\_\_\_.*
  
4. The product was packed at the production facility identified herein and precautions have been taken to avoid contamination with other products that do not comply with these requirements and shipped directly to the shipping facility and packed in a container sealed under the supervision of the authorized representative. / *O produto foi embalado na planta de fabricação, de maneira a evitar contaminação cruzada com produtos que não cumpram as exigências estabelecidas nestes requisitos, transportadas diretamente até o local de embarque e acondicionadas em container lacrado sob supervisão do representante autorizado.*