

Certification Requirements for the Export of Bovine Salted Hides/Skins from the United States to Ecuador

This document is for the export to Ecuador of bovine salted hides/skins of U.S. origin to Ecuador. A processing facility must be inspected by APHIS Veterinary Services at least once annually to be eligible for export to Ecuador. If a facility has been inspected and approved for export to other regions and it meets the requirements for export to Ecuador, an additional inspection is not required.

Ecuador requires fumigation of shipping containers of bovine salted hides/skins prior to sealing the container for export. This requirement can be met by deploying a commercially available fumigation fogger with larvicidal effect in the container prior to export. Since this is done immediately prior to sealing the container, the fogger should remain in the container until opened by Ecuadorian authorities at the port of import in Ecuador. Verification that this requirement has been met will be done through visual inspection of the container of the Ecuadorian authorities to ensure a fumigation fogger canister is within the container when opened at the Port of entry.

The importer and exporter are responsible for determining what, if any, registration requirements must be met prior to export.

The bilingual certification statements below should be provided in the Additional Declarations section of the certificate Export Certificate for Animal Products (VS Form 16-4) and continuation page VS form 16-4A as needed. A notarized affidavit from the manufacturer is required to support these statements on the export certificate issued by APHIS Veterinary Services.

The United States meets the World Organization for Animal Health recommendations to be considered free of lumpy skin disease, foot-and-mouth disease, and rinderpest. / *Estados Unidos cumple con las recomendaciones de la Organización Mundial de la Sanidad Animal para considerarse libre de dermatosis nodular contagiosa, fiebre aftosa, y peste bovina.*

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [insert company name] verifying the accuracy of the statements below: / *Esta oficina mantiene archivada una declaración notariada de [nombre de la compañía] que verifica la certeza de las declaraciones de abajo:*

1. The product is not derived from animals slaughtered as a result of a bovine disease eradication program. / *El producto certificado no es derivado de animales sacrificados como resultado de un programa de erradicación de la enfermedad bovina.*
2. The product was produced at a facility inspected and authorized by the competent authority of the United States. / *El producto certificado fue producido en una instalación inspeccionada y autorizada por la autoridad competente de los Estados Unidos.*
3. The establishment of origin of the animal and the slaughterhouse was not, at the time of slaughter, under Federal quarantine or movement restrictions for animal diseases that affect the species. / *El producto certificado fue derivado de animales procedentes de explotaciones y*

mataderos que, en el momento del sacrificio, no se encontraban bajo la cuarentena federal o restricciones de movimiento de enfermedades animales que afecten a la especie.

4. The product was derived from animals slaughtered at an establishment under official control and were subject to official ante-mortem and post-mortem inspection. / *El producto certificado se obtuvo de animales sacrificados en un establecimiento bajo control oficial y sometido a una inspección oficial antemortem y post mortem.*

[Chose and include only the appropriate statement number 5.]

5. Prior to export the hides/skins were brined in a marine salt solution containing two percent (2%) sodium carbonate or equivalent for at least 16 hours at a temperature between 15° C and 21° C. / *Previo a su exportación las pieles de sometieron a un proceso de salado en una solución de sal marina que contenga un 2% de carbonato de sodio o equivalente por al menos 16 horas, a temperatura entre 15°C y 21°C.*

[Or]

5. Prior to export the hides/skins were dry salted with marine salt containing two percent (2%) sodium carbonate or equivalent for seven days. / *Previo a su exportación las pieles fueron sometidas a un proceso de salado en seco con sal marina que contenga un 2% de carbonato de sodio o equivalente, por 7 días.*

6. The necessary precautions have been taken to prevent cross contamination with other animal origin materials after processing. / *Se han tomado las precauciones necesarias para evitar la contaminación con otros materiales de origen animal después de su procesamiento.*