

## Fishing Baits

Germany prohibits the import of all fishing baits that have been processed with formaldehyde.

Exporters of animal-origin fishing baits that have **not** been processed with formaldehyde should ask their potential importer to contact the pertinent German authorities and apply for an import permit. The importer will need to provide the German authorities with details on the production process (processing parameters). If German authorities do issue an import permit, the exporter should provide the permit, and an English translation, to their local APHIS office for review. Commonly the permits require certifications that cannot be endorsed by APHIS. However, once the permit has been issued, APHIS may be able to negotiate alternative certification on a case by case basis with German authorities.