

Dairy Products Intended for purposes other than Human or Animal Consumption

Effective November 1, 2017, Japan requires the “**Veterinary Certificate for raw milk and milk products from cloven-hoofed animals to be exported to Japan from the United States for purposes other than human or animal consumption**” for consignments of dairy products intended for purposes other than human consumption.

When preparing the certification for submission to the pertinent VS Service Center, the applicable information should be inserted into the fillable certificate, but special care should be given to the following aspects:

Option 1.A: Select this option if the source milk (and derivatives) was collected (and only handled or stored) in the United States, and/or any of the other listed countries. In this case, no processing parameters are required to be certified. Option 1.B (and the processing methods under option 1.B) would not be selected in this scenario.

Option 1.B: This option is only used when the source milk (or derivatives) was collected (or handled or stored) in a country other than those listed in option 1.A. If option 1.B is selected, at least one of the options 1.B(i) through 1.B(v) must also be selected.

The exporter should also ensure the VS Service Center has the required notarized affidavit from the product manufacturer on file with the pertinent options and other declarations verified. The VS Service Center can provide more details regarding the requirements for the notarized affidavit.

Prior to endorsement, the VS Service Center will add the pertinent information for finalization, and print the certificate duplexed on VS Security Paper prior to endorsement and sealing of the certificate.