

Horse Feed or Supplements

- A. **Horse feed or supplements containing no animal origin ingredients:** No certification is required. Exception: Products containing non-animal origin dicalcium phosphate must be accompanied by the “**NON-ANIMAL ORIGIN ANIMAL FEED PRODUCTS EXPORTED TO JAPAN**” letterhead certificate located at: https://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/products/downloads/ja_non_am.pdf .
- B. **Horse feed or supplements containing no animal origin ingredients other than vitamin D3:** No animal health certification is required for horse feed or supplements (other than products in oil form) containing no animal-origin ingredients other than vitamin. APHIS does not endorse certificates for horse feed or supplements (other than products in oil form) containing no animal-origin ingredients other than vitamin D3.
- C. **Horse feed or supplements exported in oil form, containing no animal origin ingredient other than vitamin D3:** must be certified with a VS Form 16-4 with the following (and no other) additional declarations. [The “This is to certify that rinderpest, foot-and-mouth disease, classical swine fever, swine vesicular disease, African swine fever, and contagious bovine pleuropneumonia do not exist in the United States of America” sentence should only appear once on the VS Form 16-4 (it was pre-printed on versions preceding the JUL 2022 version). If the JUL 2022 version of the VS Form 16-4 is utilized, it should be the first sentence in the **ADDITIONAL DECLARATION** area.]:

This is to certify that rinderpest, foot-and-mouth disease, classical swine fever, swine vesicular disease, African swine fever, and contagious bovine pleuropneumonia do not exist in the United States of America.

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [insert name of company here] verifying the accuracy of the statements below. I, the endorsing official listed below, have read the notarized affidavit referenced above, and to the best of my knowledge and belief these statements are true.

The product described below contains no animal origin ingredients other than purified vitamin D3.

- D. **Horse feed or supplements containing the below animal-origin items** must be certified with the below referenced additional declarations (as applicable) [The “This is to certify that rinderpest, foot-and-mouth disease, classical swine fever, swine vesicular disease, African swine fever, and contagious bovine pleuropneumonia do not exist in the United States of America” sentence should only appear once on the VS Form 16-4 (it was pre-printed on versions preceding the JUL 2022 version). If the JUL 2022 version of the VS Form 16-4 is utilized, it should be the first sentence in the **ADDITIONAL DECLARATION** area.]:
- Porcine-origin gelatin (this includes gelatin coatings on vitamins);
 - Bovine-origin gelatin (this includes gelatin coatings on vitamins) meeting the requirements listed below;
 - Vitamin D3 (in addition to other animal-origin ingredients);
 - Dicalcium phosphate (with no trace of protein or fat);
 - Milk products (in addition to other animal-origin ingredients included on this list); and/or
 - Animal origin fat (Note: Bovine fat is not allowed).

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This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [insert name of company here] verifying the accuracy of the statements below. I, the endorsing official listed below, have read the notarized affidavit referenced above, and to the best of my knowledge and belief these statements are true.

The product described below contains no animal origin ingredients other than:

1. For horse feed or supplements products containing porcine-origin gelatin:

Gelatin derived exclusively from swine.

2. For horse feed or supplements containing gelatin derived from bovine-origin hides or skins:

Gelatin is prepared exclusively from hides and skins.

3. For horse feed or supplements containing gelatin derived from bovine-origin bones:

Gelatin is prepared in accordance with the following procedures: Skulls and vertebrae (excluding tail vertebrae) have been excluded. The bones have been subjected to a process which includes all the following steps: (a) pressure washing (degreasing), (b) acid demineralization, (c) prolonged alkaline treatment, (d) filtration, and (e) sterilization at 138°C for a minimum of 4 seconds.

4. For horse feed or supplements containing animal-origin Vitamin D3 in addition to other animal-origin ingredients:

Purified vitamin D3.

5. For horse feed or supplements containing animal-origin dicalcium phosphate:

Dicalcium phosphate with no trace of fat or protein.

6. For horse feed or supplements containing milk-based ingredients in addition to other animal-origin ingredients:

Milk-based ingredients.

In addition, the “Veterinary Certificate for raw milk and milk products from cloven-hoofed animals to be exported to Japan from the United States for animal consumption (not including extruded or retort processed pet foods) also containing animal-origin materials other than those derived from milk/milk products” should be attached to the VS Form 16-4 for products containing milk-based ingredients in addition to the other animal-origin ingredients included in this section. For information on these pages, please go back to the previous page and select the information under “Dairy products for animal consumption (not including retort processed or extruded pet food/treats) **containing** dairy plus other animal origin ingredients”.

7. For horse feed or supplements containing animal-origin fats (not including bovine-origin fats):

Animal fat manufactured in compliance with the following conditions:

- 1. Maximum level of insoluble impurities of fat is less than 0.15% in weight; aAND*
- 2. Fat is made from raw material which does not contain:*
 - a. Head, distal ileum, spinal cord and vertebral column of cattle; AND*
 - b. Cattle which did not pass FSIS slaughter examination; AND*
 - c. Cattle which have been found to be BSE-positive.*

E. Milk-based ingredients but no other animal-origin ingredients:

The “**Veterinary Certificate for raw milk and milk products from cloven-hoofed animals to be exported to Japan from the United States for animal consumption (not including extruded or retort processed pet foods) not containing any animal-origin materials other than those derived from milk/milk products**” is required for milk-based products (containing no other animal-origin ingredients) intended for animal consumption. For information on this certificate, please go back to the previous page and select information under “Dairy products for animal consumption (not including retort processed or extruded pet food/treats) containing no animal origin ingredients other than those of dairy-origin”.

F. The following horse feeds are not eligible for export to Japan at this time:

1. Horse feeds containing animal-origin ingredients other than:
 - Porcine-origin gelatin;
 - Bovine-origin gelatin meeting the requirements listed below;
 - Vitamin D3 (in addition to other animal-origin ingredients);
 - Dicalcium phosphate (with no trace of protein or fat);
 - Milk products; and/or
 - Animal fat (not including bovine-origin) with a maximum level of insoluble impurities of fat less than 0.15% in weight.
2. Horse feed containing animal-origin ingredients (including gelatin coatings in vitamins) where the above requirements cannot be verified.