

## **Bovine Meals (Meat, Bone, and Blood) for Export to Mexico**

This export protocol is for rendered bovine meals (meat, bone, and blood meals) which will be exported to Mexico or used in products for export to Mexico. Mixed meals containing bovine meals are not eligible for export at this time.

A facility wishing to export bovine meals to Mexico must be approved before it can export. To be eligible for approval, the facility must be inspected by the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) and approval by Servicio Nacional de Sanidad, Inocuidad y Calidad Agroalimentaria (SENASICA). APHIS Veterinary Services has a process for inspecting and recommending approval if the facility meets the requirements of the inspection questionnaire and the certificate to be eligible to export to Mexico. Exporters should contact APHIS Veterinary Services to determine if the facility is approved by Mexico or if it can be approved. Spray dried facilities and digest manufacturers are exempt from these requirements.

Under Mexico's current regulations pertaining to meals for use as feedstuffs, any rendering facility must be inspected and approved if it wishes to export directly to Mexico or wishes to be a supplier for other U.S. manufacturers such as meal blending facilities exporting these products to Mexico.

Please note that Mexico's SENASICA requires certain traceability information for each product lot of rendered meals for animal feeding or industrial use, and the lot number is to be listed on the official animal health certificate. For each lot, the production date, the packing or shipment date, and the expiry date should be presented in a supplemental declaration from the exporting company. This exporter's declaration must be cross referenced to the certificate and show lot numbers as well as the name of the official, their position within the company (acceptable examples: owner, president, quality control manager) and signature. The original and a copy of the supplemental declaration are required at the time of presentation of the product.

The following certification statements are required on the 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. Statements 1) and 2) appear above the affidavit line and the remaining statements below the affidavit line.

1. *The United States is classified by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) as a country with negligible risk for bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE). / Estados Unidos está clasificado por la Organización Mundial de Sanidad Animal (OIE) como un país con un riesgo insignificante de encefalopatía espongiforme bovina (EEB).*

2. *The United States has in place a ban on the feeding of ruminants with ruminant origin meat-and-bone meals and greaves, and this ban has been effectively enforced. / Estados Unidos ha establecido una prohibición de la alimentación de rumiantes con harina de carne y hueso y chicharrones de origen de rumiantes, y esta prohibición se ha aplicado de manera efectiva.*

*This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [company name] verifying the accuracy of the statements below. / Esta oficina tiene en sus archivos una declaración juramentada de [nombre de la compañía] certificando la veracidad de las afirmaciones enunciadas a continuación:*

3. *That the product and raw material correspond to the country indicated in this document as country of origin. / Que el producto y la materia prima corresponden al país indicado en este documento como de origen.*
4. *The product is derived from animals which were born and raised in the United States, or from product and/or animals legally imported upon meeting the rules and regulations of the United States of America. / El producto se deriva de animales que nacieron y se criaron en los Estados Unidos, o de productos y/o animales importados legalmente cumpliendo con las normas y los reglamentos de los Estados Unidos de América.*
5. *The product is derived from raw materials from slaughterhouses under official control. / El producto se deriva de materias primas de mataderos bajo control oficial.*
6. *The product is derived from animals which were not stunned at slaughter with a device that injects compressed air or gas into the cranial cavity, and were not subject to a pithing process (by laceration of the central nervous tissue, by inserting a sharp instrument into the cranial cavity). / El producto es derivado de animales que no fueron aturdidos durante el sacrificio mediante inyección de gas comprimido en la cavidad craneana ni mediante el corte de médula (por laceración del tejido nervioso central, mediante la introducción en cavidad craneana de un instrumento punzante cortante).*
7. *The product contains meals of animal origin that were derived from rendering plants (and blending plants if appropriate) that are approved and classified by the National Service of Animal Health, Food Safety and Agricultural Quality (SENASICA), in accordance with the NOM-060-ZOO-1999, indicating the reference number of the rendering plant \_\_\_\_\_ and the blending plant (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ listed in the Authorized Plants Consultation Information System (SICPA). / Que el producto contiene harinas de origen animal que se derivaron de plantas de rendimiento (y plantas mezcladoras si corresponde) que se encuentran aprobadas y clasificadas por el Servicio Nacional de Sanidad, Inocuidad y Calidad Agroalimentaria (SENASICA), en apego a la NOM-060-ZOO-1999, indicando el número de la clave de la planta de rendimiento \_\_\_\_\_ y la \_\_\_\_\_*

*planta mezcladora \_\_\_\_\_ del Sistema de Informacion de Consulta de Plantas Autorizadas (SICPA).*

8. *The product is produced at a rendering plant that has in place procedures to prevent the use of cattle material prohibited in animal feed (CMPAF) in the production of meals intended for animal feeding, in accordance with the Federal rules and regulations of the United States, and the plant has been approved for export to Mexico by the animal health competent authority of the United States. / El producto se produce en una planta de rendimiento que tiene implementados procedimientos para evitar el uso de material de ganado prohibido en la produccion de alimentos para animales, de acuerdo con las normas y regulaciones federales de los Estados Unidos, y la planta ha sido aprobada para la exportación a México por el Autoridad de sanidad animal de los Estados Unidos.*
9. *The rendering plant has in place procedures to ensure that the bovine meals are not commingled with ovine, caprine, and non-ruminant meals. / La planta de procesamiento tiene procedimientos establecidos para asegurar que las harinas bovinas no se mezclen con las harinas ovinas, caprinas y no rumiantes.*
10. *The rendering plant heat treated the product to a minimum temperatura of 80°C for 30 minutes (NOM-060-ZOO-1999). / Que la planta de rendimiento procesa los tejidos a una temperatura mínima de 80°C durante 30 minutos (NOM- 060-ZOO-1999).*
11. *The maximum moisture content of the final product did not exceed 10% at the end of the processing (NOM-060-ZOO-1999). / Que la humedad máxima permitida en el producto final no excede de 10%, a la salida del cocedor (NOM-060- ZOO-1999).*
12. *The plant maintains heat processing (time-temperature) graphical records for each lot of product manufactured (NOM-060-ZOO-1999). / Que la planta cuenta con los registros gráficos de temperatura-tiempo de cada uno de los lotes procesados (NOM- 060-ZOO-1999).*
13. *The plant mantains records that document the final exit moisture for each processed lot (NOM-060-ZOO-1999). / Que la planta cuenta con los registros de la humedad final de cada uno de los lotes producidos (NOM-060-ZOO-1999).*
14. *The plant mantains detailed sales records of meals produced (NOM-060-ZOO-999). / Que la planta cuenta con registros detallados de las ventas de las harinas (NOM-060-ZOO-1999).*

15. After heat treatment, the necessary precautions were taken to avoid contact with raw products. / Que se tomaron las precauciones necesarias después del tratamiento térmico para evitar el contacto con productos crudos.
16. The meals are packaged and shipped utilizing appropriate measures to prevent commingling with other animal origin ingredients during transport, including appropriate cleaning of the shipping container when necessary. / Las harinas son empacadas y transportadas utilizando las medidas adecuadas para prevenir el mezclado con otros ingredientes de origen animal durante el transporte, incluyendo la limpieza apropiada de los contenedores de transportadores cuando sea necesario.
17. For blending plants: the raw materials used at the plant proceed from rendering plants with a valid authorization from SADER/ Para el caso de plantas mezcladoras: la materia prima usada en la planta proviene de plantas de rendimiento con autorización vigente del SADER.