

Ostrich Hides and Skins for Manufacturing Purposes for Export to Mexico

The certification statements below are required on a VS Form 16-4 for the export to Mexico of ostrich hides and skins for further processing (manufacturing purposes). A notarized affidavit from the manufacturer is required to support the statements on the VS Form 16-4 issued by APHIS Veterinary Services.

The government of Mexico may impose a quality requirement pertaining to fumigation or other treatment against fly larvae. In the event that a shipment is found to need treatment, exporters may arrange with their importers for this treatment, which will be done in Mexico.

Please note that in order to assure that there was no tampering of the product, Mexico SENASICA requires that vehicles or containers transporting the product must be sealed at the facility of origin and kept under seal up to their entry into Mexico.

Certification statements on a VS Form 16-4:

The United States, _____ (State of origin), is free of the velogenic form of Newcastle disease. / *Los Estados Unidos _____ (Estado de origen) is un estado libre de la enfermedad de Newcastle de presentación velogénica.*

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [company name] verifying the accuracy of the following statements: / *Esta oficina cuenta en su expediente con una declaración notariada de [nombre de la compañía] que verifica la exactitud de las siguientes declaraciones:*

1. The product originated in the United States. / *El producto es originario de los Estados Unidos.*
2. The product is derived from healthy animals that were slaughtered in an establishment under official controls and located in a zone not under movement restrictions due to notifiable avian influenza. The animals were subjected to ante-mortem and post-mortem inspection. / *El producto procede de animales sanos que fueron sacrificados en un establecimiento bajo control oficial y ubicado en una zona libre de influenza aviar de declaración obligatoria. Los animales fueron inspeccionados ante y post-mortem.*
3. The skins are derived from animals that were not slaughtered to eradicate animal disease epidemics. / *Las pieles proceden de animales que no han sido sacrificados para erradicar epidemias.*

(Chose and include only the appropriate statement number 4.)

4. 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.*
4. 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 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.*
5. After treatment, the skins were handled in a manner to avoid contamination with other products of animal origin. / *Las pieles se manejaron de forma tal para evitar la contaminación con otros productos de origen animal, después del tratamiento.*