

Registration Process for Pet Food, Animal Feed, and Additives

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Ukrainian law requires that all feed and feed additives be inspected and registered by the State Scientific and Research Institute for the Supervision of Veterinary Substances and Feed Additives. The registration process is legislated in Chapter 2, Article 14 of the Law of Ukraine on Veterinary Medicine. A similar procedure is applied to all animal feed, veterinary medicinal substances, immunobiological substances, probiotics, and food additives imported into Ukraine.

Application procedure:

1. Applicant must write a letter to Dr. Piotr Verbitsky, Head of the State Department of Veterinary Medicine.
2. The letter is reviewed and a permit/approval is granted by either Dr. Verbitsky or one of his deputies.
3. The applicant applies to the Institute for an expert review. The applicant must collect a set of documents and provide the Institute with samples of the food item or other substance in question in order to begin the review process. (The Institute has indicated that this procedure should not take longer than 90 days, but it depends upon the completeness of documents and samples sent.) Some extra information may be requested of the applicant. Two contracts must be signed with Institute. One for the actual registration procedure and the other for the export review.
4. The expert will be assigned by the Institute.
5. The expert will provide the Expert Review Decision, which will be reviewed at the next State Veterinary Medicine Pharmacological Committee meeting.
6. If the product receives a positive decision by the Committee, the company will receive a 5-year Registration Certificate.
7. When the 5-year term expires, the company will be required to renew the certificate. In this case the Institute will not ask for a food sample, but for documents only, and the procedure will be somewhat less expensive.
8. The list of documents that the applicant must collect should be submitted in a timely manner.
9. The address of the Institute:

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Lviv, 79019, Ukraine

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Rough cost estimates:

The registration and review process takes two or more steps.

The first step, the Expert Review, costs 300-500 EUR and is required for all products, including pet food, animal feed, and additives.

The second step is the Analytical Conclusion (300-700 EUR) which is also done for all products.

The expert making the Analytical Conclusion may ask for 2 more tests: toxicological and clinical (field) research. The toxicological test costs 300-1000 EUR, the field test costs 500-1000 EUR. These two tests may be waived if a group of similar feed additives is examined or if similar feed additives from the same company were examined before.