

Dry Pet Food for Export to Vietnam

These requirements are for finished dry pet food only. Even though certification statement 3 relates to canned products, canned pet food is not eligible for export on this protocol at this time. Please reach out to the Service Center and your importer to determine the requirements for other pet food products, including canned and semi-moist pet food, and pet treats or chews.

Certification statements 1-5 should be included, as is, on all export certificates. For certification statement 6, include only the option that applies. If the second option is selected, indicating the product contains ruminant origin ingredients, mark (by typing an “X” on the line) which category or categories a. through g. are included in the pet food and provide details as indicated with brackets.

The following statements should be placed in the additional declarations section of the VS Form 16-4 and continuation page VS Form 16-4A as needed.

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 [*company name*] verifying the accuracy of the statements below:

1. The products may be freely sold in the United States as pet food.
2. Dry products were sufficiently heat processed to assure destruction of pathogens of concern.
3. Canned (hermetically sealed products) were treated to an F₀ of 3.0 or more.
4. Precautions were taken after processing to avoid contamination of the products.
5. All products have been packed using new containers and packaging materials.
6. The products contain no ruminant origin ingredients [OR]
The products contain no ruminant origin ingredients except as noted below (applicable categories checked):
 - a. ___ milk or dairy ingredients
 - b. ___ protein free tallow (maximum level of insoluble impurities of 0.15% in weight)
 - c. ___ gelatin or collagen derived exclusively from hides
 - d. ___ hides or hide-derived products other than as noted in c. above
 - e. ___ cervid, bison, or ovine ingredients to include [list ingredients]
 - f. ___ ruminant ingredients legally imported into the United States to include [list ingredients and country of origin]
 - g. ___ U.S. origin bovine ingredients that were not derived from and do not contain the following specified risk materials: for cattle 30 month of age or older, the brain, skull, eyes, trigeminal ganglia, spinal cord, vertebral column (excluding the vertebrae of the tail, the transverse processes of the thoracic and lumbar vertebrae, and the wings of the sacrum), and the dorsal root ganglia; and for any cattle, regardless of age, the tonsils and distal ileum of the small intestine.