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EXPORT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE NETHERLANDS

PRODUCTS HARMONIZED BY THE EUROPEAN UNION

Fresh/frozen red meat, poultry, meat and poultry products game meat and certain other products intended for export to countries which are members of the European Union must follow the "European Union Requirements" found elsewhere in the FSIS Export Library. The following countries are members of the European Union: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Ireland, Luxembourg, **The Netherlands**, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, and the United Kingdom.

PRODUCTS NOT HARMONIZED BY THE EUROPEAN UNION

ELIGIBLE PRODUCTS

A. The following information pertains to product not yet harmonized by the EU and therefore are subject to the requirements of the Netherlands:

1. Edible/inedible product for pharmaceutical use

2. Concentrated or dried beef and pork stock for use as a soup base.

3. Dried beef blood plasma.

4. Rendered Animal Fat - The following antioxidants may be added to rendered animal fats or to combinations of rendered animal fats and vegetable fats, not to exceed 0.01 percent either singly or in combination:

a. Dodecyl gallate.

b. Propyl gallate.

c. Octyl gallate.

d. BHA.

e. BHT.

(NOTE: Dodecyl gallate and octyl gallate are not listed in the regulations (318. 7), but may be used for export only (318. 8)).

6. Inedible/Edible Product for Animal Food

Note: Contact the FSIS Technical Service Center at (402) 221-7400 if there are questions regarding the eligibility of products or to determine if they are harmonized by EU.

DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

A. Austria, as an European Union member state, requires the following "Specific Risk Material"(SRM) statement to be typed in the "remarks section of FSIS Form 9060-5 or provided as a USDA letterhead certificate:

"The product of animal origin does not contain , and is not derived from specified risk material as defined in Annex XI, section A, to Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 laying down rules for the prevention , control and eradication of certain transmissible spongiform encephalopathies, produced after 31 March 2001, or mechanically recovered meat obtained from bones of bovine, ovine or caprine animals, produced after 31 March 2001. After 31 March 2001 the animals have not been slaughtered after stunning by means of gas injected into the cranial cavity or killed by the same method or slaughtered by laceration after stunning of central nervous tissue by means of an elongated rod-shaped instrument introduced into the cranial cavity."

Note: The following tissues are designated as specified risk material according to Annex XI 1. (a) of EC No. 999/2000

- the skull including the brain and eyes, the tonsils, the vertebral column excluding the vertebrae of the tail and the transverse processes of the lumbar vertebrae, but including dorsal root ganglia and spinal cord of bovine animals aged over 12 months, and the intestines from the duodenum to the rectum of bovine animals of all ages;
- the skull including the brain and eyes, the tonsils and the spinal cord of ovine and caprine animals aged over12 months or which have a permanent incisor erupted through the gum, and the spleen of ovine and caprine animals of all ages.

Although the injection of air during stunning is not permitted, captive bolt stunning alone is permitted.

B. Pharmaceutical Requirements (Product for Scientific Use)

1. Products bearing the mark of inspection

a. Obtain FSIS Form 9060-5 (FSIS Form 9060-10 for equine products), FSIS Form 9180-5 (Animal Health Certificate for Raw Material Intended for Consignment to Denmark, France and the Netherlands for Pharmaceutical Processing), and FSIS Form 9355-4 (Public Health Certificate for the Importation into the Netherlands of Organs or Parts of Slaughtered Animals Destined for the Use Other Than Human Consumption.)

Note: Animals originating in Canada meet the requirements of FSIS Form 9180-5 for 3-month residency in the United States.*

b. Marking of outside containers. Outside containers must be marked with the following:

(1) The inspection legend.

(2) Name and establishment number of the slaughter plant.

(3) The statement:

"DESTINED FOR THE MANUFACTURING OF ORGAN PREPARATIONS IN A SCIENTIFIC WAY - NOT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION - FOR EXPORT TO THE NETHERLANDS."

2. Products not bearing the mark of inspection

a. Obtain FSIS Form 9060-9 (MP Forms 415-3), FSIS Form 9180-5, and FSIS Form 9355-4 (6/1/2000).

Note: Animals originating in Canada meet the requirements of FSIS Form 9180-5 for 3-month residency in the United States.

b. Marking of outside containers. Outside containers must be marked with the following:

(1) Name and establishment number of the slaughter plants.

(2) The statement:

"DESTINED FOR THE MANUFACTURING OF ORGAN PREPARATIONS IN A SCIENTIFIC WAY - NOT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION - FOR EXPORT TO THE NETHERLANDS."

C. Dried Beef Blood Plasma and beef and pork stock

1. The product must originate from establishments that comply with the pertinent parts of the European Union requirements. However, the raw materials can originate from any Federally inspected establishment.

a. Obtain FSIS Form 9180-11, Public Health Certificate for Other Products of Animal Origin Intended for Human Consumption.

b. Obtain FSIS Form 9355-8 (8/97), Animal Health Certificate for Other Products of Animal Origin Intended for Human Consumption.

c. Obtain FSIS Form 9180-14 Public Health certificate for Meat Products

D. Rendered Fats.

1. The product must originate from establishments that comply with the pertinent parts of the European Union requirements. However, the raw materials can originate from any Federally inspected establishment.

a. Obtain FSIS Form 9060-5 (FSIS Form 9060-10 for equine products).

b. USDA/FSIS letterhead certificate with the corresponding export certificate number, signed by a veterinary officer, in the following form:

"The undersigned, (name and title of the authorized veterinary officer in the country of origin), at _____, certifies: that the edible rendered fats packed in (description of packing), gross weight ____, net weight _____ and marked as

follows -- (name of product), forwarded from (place of dispatch) by (name and address of shipper) and destined for (name and address of consignee), forwarded by (manner of forwarding, name of ship when shipped), were derived from slaughtering animals of the type as defined in the (Dutch) Meat Inspection Act, which were subject to ante-mortem and post-mortem inspection and were found to be entirely sound and fit for human consumption; that, insofar as they contain common salt, they only contain it in very small quantities; that no preservatives have been used other than propyl gallate and/or octyl gallate and/or dodecyl gallate and/or BHT and/or BHA and that the total contents of these antioxidants do not amount to more than 0.01 percent; that they are free from all other substances foreign to animal fats and oils; that the composition is in conformity with the view of the mark stated: that the composition in no respect is in contravention of the purport of this certificate."

Given at _____, on _____

(signature)

Type Name, Vet'y Degree, Region/Area/Circuit Code

(NOTE: Animals defined in the Netherlands Meat Inspection Act are cattle, swine, sheep, goats, and horses.)

E. Inedible/Edible Product for Animal Food

1. Obtain FSIS Form 9060-5 (for edible products) or FSIS Form 9060-9 (for inedible products) and FSIS Form 9355-4.

2. Cartons must be labeled with the following information:

a. Product description,

b. name and address of the slaughter plant where the meat originates,

c. marked *"NOT DESTINED FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION"*, and

d. name and address of consignee.

3. Inedible meat and poultry products intended for pet food in naked block are eligible for export to the Netherlands.

F. Ship Stores Requirements

1. Obtain FSIS Form 9060-5 (FSIS Form 9060-10 (MP Form 414-3) for equine products) with the following statement in the "Remarks" section of FSIS Form 9060-5 or on the face of FSIS Form 9060-10: *"Product consigned to ship stores."*

2. For meat and poultry destined for ship stores only, export certificates may be signed by any FSIS inspector.

Notes:

Establishment address on certificates must show street address, not P.O. box.

Where "Storage and Transport Temperature" is requested on forms, "Ambient" is acceptable. Do not enter "N/A" or "Not Applicable."

All documents except FSIS Form 9060-5 must be latest edition bearing blue seal.

All certificates must be signed by an FSIS veterinarian.

PLANT ELIGIBLE TO EXPORT

A. All Federally inspected establishments are eligible to export products for pharmaceutical use and animal food use to the Netherlands. Establishments intending to export ratite meat, dried plasma or beef or pork stock must comply with the EU requirements.

B. Ship stores--Meat and poultry product intended for ship stores may originate from any USDA inspected plant.

C. Product intended as samples for exhibition purposes must comply with either the EU, the Netherlands or special requirements. Contract the FSIS Technical Service Center for further information at (402) 221-7400.

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