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#### **Report Highlights:**

This report highlights certification requirements for food and agricultural products exported to Canada and supplements the FAIRS Country Report CA2023-0025.

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### **Executive Summary**

This report highlights export certificates issued by U.S. government authorities to comply with Canadian import standards and regulations. It is an update to the 2022 Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards (FAIRS) Export Certificate Report. This is not intended as a compendium of Canadian import requirements, but rather as a supplement to the most recent FAIRS Country Report 2023-0025. While every possible care was taken in the preparation of this report, this information is provided only as guidance, because requirements may have

changed since this report's preparation, or because clear and consistent information about these requirements was not available.

FAS/Canada strongly recommends U.S. exporters verify the full set of import requirements through the Canadian Food Inspection Agency's <u>Automated Import Reference System (AIRS)</u> that serves as a reference guide on Canadian importing requirements for several commodities. It is a good business practice for U.S. companies to consult with their Canadian customers to ensure products meet the latest Canadian import requirements. U.S. exporters need to acknowledge final import approval of any product is subject to the importing country's rules and regulations as interpreted by border officials at the time of product entry.

**Update**: <u>E-Authentication</u> requirements. The USDA inspection office is urging U.S. exporters to obtain authentication credentials. Document submissions are uploaded into a USDA customized portal and digital signatures are accepted. To sign up please go to USDA's <u>eAuthentication webpage (usda.gov)</u> then scroll to the bottom of the page to <u>create an</u> <u>account</u>. The eAuthentication help desk is available at <u>authdesk@usda.gov</u> or 1-800-457-3642. After creating an account, an in-person meeting may be required to verify identification and those meetings take place in USDA Local Registration Authority offices in the United States. These offices are listed <u>here</u>. Alternatively, if in Canada, an authorized USDA Foreign Service Officer can authorize credentials at the U.S. Embassy in Ottawa.

Additionally, FAS Canada, encourages all U.S. exporters to work closely with their current federal and state inspectors. A number of <u>State Department of Agriculture's</u> maintain their own inspection programs and maintain agreements with USDA with the end goal of increasing U.S. exports.

## Section I. Export Certificate Table

Product(s)	Title of Certificate	Purpose/	Issuing Authority	Authority
		Attestation		Requiring Certificat
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Α.	All U.S Origin Products Eligible for Preferential Treatment Under USMCA	<u>United States Mexico Canada</u> <u>Certification of Origin</u>	for USMCA tariff	Importer, exporter, or producer can make the certification	Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA)
B. (i)	Meat and Poultry	United States Meat and Poultry Certificate for Wholesomeness: Canada   Food Safety and Inspection Service (usda.gov) FORM 9060-5EP and Instructions	products are	Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS)	Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA)
B.(ii)	Certain Products of Meat Origin (Broth, Flavor, or Extract)	U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA) Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (CFSAN) Certificate to a Foreign Government <u>CFSAN eCATS</u>	Attestation concerning product safety. Ensures product meets U.S. Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act Requirements	FDA	CFIA
B.(iii)	Meat and Poultry Labelling Certification	FSIS Labelling Certification Reference: <u>CFIA Labelling Tool</u>	Ensure that product labels meet the requirements listed on the <u>CFIA</u> <u>Industry Labelling</u> <u>Tool website</u>	FSIS	CFIA
B.(iv)	Egg Products	Egg Products Export Certificate of Wholesomeness and Listing of Approved Establishments Form 9060-5EP Form 2630-9, Declaration of Veterinarian	Wholesomeness	FSIS	CFIA
	Product(s)	Title of Certificate	Purpose/ Attestation	Issuing Authority	Authority Requiring Certificate

	Egg Products	Letterhead Certificate for Unpasteurized Eggs Letterhead Certificate	Veterinary Health Attestation	FSIS	CFIA
	Processed Egg and Egg Products	for Pasteurized Eggs Processed Egg and Egg Products Export Verification Certificate LPS-234	Processed egg products and hard-cooked eggs are wholesome for export	Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS)	CFIA
Bv.	Ready-to-eat Products	Microbiological Testing of Ready-To-Eat (RTE) Products Destined for Canada	Meet microbiological testing criteria to ensure food safety	AMS FSIS	CFIA
C.	Bison (Buffalo)	USDA Beef Export Verification (EV) Program Product Conformity Attestation on Shipping Documentation	To attest to eligibility to export bison to Canada	AMS	CFIA
D. (i & ii)	Pet Food	Thermally Processed Pet Food/Pet Treats/Compound Chews Veterinary Export Certificate	U.S. origin and veterinary health attestations	Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS)	CFIA
Ε.	Fresh Fruits and Vegetables	Specialty Crops Program (SC) Export Verification Forms <u>SC-205</u> and <u>SC-</u> <u>205-1</u>	Grading and Quality	AMS	CFIA
	Product(s)	Title of Certificate	Purpose/ Attestation	Issuing Authority	Authority Requiring Certificate

F.	Live Animals, Honey bees, Aquatic animals	Veterinary Export Health Certificate	Animal Health	APHIS	CFIA
G.	Plant and Plant Products	Plant Export Certificates and Forms	Plant health, plants are free from pests and diseases	APHIS	CFIA
H.	Fish and Seafood	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Seafood Inspection Program NOAA Listing of Requirements	Sanitation, Grading, Food Safety, Wholesomenes s, Animal Health, Eligibility of Species	NOAA, APHIS, FWS	CFIA, CBSA, Environme nt and Climate Change Canada (ECCC)
Ι.	Selected Products, broth, extracts, flavors derived from beef, pork, and poultry.	<u>CFSAN</u>	Meet food safety, production standards that includes required heat treatment	FDA	CFIA
J.	Organic Equivalency	<u>U.S. National Organic</u> <u>Program</u> (NOP)	Products meet standards, practices, and al requirements set by NOP	AMS	CFIA

## Section II. Regulations and Types of Export Certificates

#### All Products are required to confirm USMCA status

<u>The United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA</u>) is a trilateral agreement among Canada, Mexico, and the United States under which most products enter Canada duty free. Shipments exceeding over CAD \$3,300 require completion of the USMCA form. There is no prescribed USMCA form and may be completed by the importer, exporter, or producer. Several shipping and courier services offer their own <u>USMCA forms</u> and can be completed on-line, as well as a <u>commercial</u> <u>invoice</u>. The USMCA form requires the Harmonized Tariff Schedule Code Number (HTS) of the product on the form as well as on the commercial invoice. The code is a 10-digit number and can be identified by going on to the <u>Scheduled B Search Engine</u> published by the United States Census Bureau.

For multiple shipments of identical goods, shippers may include a previously signed certification of origin for a "<u>blanket period</u>" which is good for up to 12 months. Additional guidance and information is available on the U.S. Customs and Border Protection <u>website</u>. USMCA-related questions and concerns can be addressed to Customs and Border Protection at <u>USMCA@CBP.DHS.gov</u>

Assistance is available through local <u>State Departments of Agriculture</u> or through USDA's State Regional Trade Groups (SRTGs) represented <u>here.</u>

#### A. Meat, Poultry and Processed Egg Products

The USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is responsible for certification of all fresh, frozen, and packaged meat, poultry, and processed egg products. More information on export requirements for Canada are available <u>here.</u>

#### i. Meat and Poultry

Only U.S. meat and poultry establishments <u>registered</u> with the USDA FSIS are eligible to export to Canada. As noted in Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards Country Report (FAIRS, CA2023-0025), the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) maintains their own list of those establishments. Exporters are to ensure their establishments are listed on the <u>CFIA's Foreign Establishment Library</u> as well, prior to exporting. Once confirmed, export requirements are to be reviewed on the FSIS Export Library under <u>Canada</u>. Detailed information is provided on regulations concerning product eligibility for certification, as well as slaughter, processing, labelling, marking, and all other documentation requirements.

On June 13, 2022, FSIS and CFIA agreed to use the agency's <u>Public Health Information</u> <u>System (PHIS</u>) to generate meat and poultry certifications. The new meat export certificate is now recognized as a **Meat and Poultry Certificate of Wholesomeness, FSIS Form 9060-5** (additional or continuation sheets are forms 9060-5A and form 9060-5B), they replace the old FSIS Forms 9135-3 and 9135-3A.

Prior to generating the above mentioned certificates, exporters will need to enroll with <u>USDA</u> by setting up an on-line account with FSIS. For further questions on PHIS client enrollment, exporters may call 1-800-473-9135 or email <u>PHISTechnicalQA@usda.gov</u>.

**Tip:** Exporters are asked to ensure the six-digit export certificate typed into the stickers adhered to cases coincide with numbers on the paperwork. Any type of inconsistencies will delay the shipment if remedied or sent back to the shipper, or even destroyed.

#### ii. Certain Products of Meat Origin

Shipments to Canada of several meat and poultry-containing products regulated by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), such as meat and poultry broths, extracts, bouillons, flavors, and certain soups and noodles containing meat and poultry, must be accompanied by an FDA-issued "Certificate to a Foreign Government." For more information please refer to FDA's Food Export Library, as well as CFIA's website dedicated to broth, flavor and extract of meat origin.

#### iii. Meat and Poultry Label Verification

Exporters of meat and poultry products should review the <u>Labeling Requirements</u> section of the Export Library closely. Certain labels applied to U.S. meat and poultry exports must be approved by FSIS. Labels that deviate from U.S. domestic requirements must be submitted, along with supporting documentation verifying Canadian government acceptance of the deviation, to the FSIS Labeling and Program Delivery Staff (LPDS). LPDS recommends U.S. exporters obtain an e-authentication account and process label approval requests through the online <u>Label Submission and Approval System (LSAS)</u>.

The first point of contact is <u>LSAS@usda.gov</u> or calls are received at 301-504-0837. Paper applications are still being accepted (<u>FSIS Form 7234-1</u>) can be mailed to:

#### USDA, FSIS, OPPD, LPDD

Labeling Distribution Unit Stop Code 3786, Patriots Plaza III, 8-168 1400 Independence Ave, SW Washington, DC 20250

#### iv. Table Eggs and Processed Egg Products

Eggs and egg products are import controlled products and subject to a tariff rate quota (TRQs) system in Canada. U.S. exporters must work with a Canadian importer that has available 'quota' to legally import eggs. Only U.S. egg processing plants that have been certified and are on the FSIS's list of <u>approved establishments</u> may export to Canada. As mentioned above, U.S. exporters are advised to verify their establishments are also listed on the <u>CFIA's Foreign Establishment Library</u> to avoid any confusion. Please take note that requirements for U.S. egg product exports to Canada may vary from state to state, and those establishments restricted from exporting are listed at this FSIS page

under the tab <u>egg products.</u> U.S. exporters may review all <u>requirements on FSIS Export</u> <u>Library.</u>

The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) of the USDA and the FDA offer the <u>Processed</u> <u>Egg and Egg Products Export Verification (PEEPEV) Program.</u> This is a voluntary, user-fee service available to the egg processing industry. To apply for this Further Processed Egg Program, exporters may complete the <u>LP-109 form application</u> and send an email to QAD.businessOps@usda.gov. A list of companies approved to export these products to Canada can be viewed <u>here</u>.

For questions concerning shipments of FDA-regulated products containing eggs that were previously certified by FSIS, contact FSIS at 1-855-444-9904 or e-mail at: <u>importexport@fsis.usda.gov.</u>

#### v. Ready-to-Eat Products - EV Program

This program was initially established for closed-faced sandwiches exported to Canada. Canadian requirements dictate that closed-faced sandwiches be produced under a Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) and *Listeria monocytogenes* control plans. Only those <u>manufacturing establishments</u> participating in this EV program are eligible to export to Canada. For more information on the EV program, please refer to the <u>Microbiological Testing Program for RTE products</u>.

#### B. Bison - USDA Export Verification (EV) Program

Meat and meat products derived from bison are eligible for export to Canada. Canada applies the same bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) requirements for these products as those applied to beef and beef products. Meat and meat products derived from bison must be raised and produced under an approved <u>AMS Export Verification (EV) program</u>. Only those suppliers meeting the requirements of the EV program are eligible to export specified products to Canada. Additional information about the <u>EV program</u> and a <u>list of EV approved establishments</u> can be found on the AMS website.

#### C. Pet Foods

#### i. Thermally Processed Pet Food/Pet Treats/Compound Chews

As of April 13, 2021, heat processed, shelf stable pet food, pet treats, and compound chews are referred to as Thermally Processed Pet Food/Pet Treats/Compound Chews. Certification forms for these products can be found here on the <u>APHIS' iRegs website</u>. The CFIA has requested that the APHIS Veterinary Services (VS) <u>use specific language</u> on the forms. Please confirm the appropriate language is used before export.

#### ii. Unprocessed (Raw) or Minimally Heat-Treated Pet Food and Treats.

CFIA defines biologically appropriate raw food (BARF) diets as "biologically appropriate raw food or bones and raw food diets." A typical BARF diet is made up of 60-80 percent raw meaty bones, that is bones with about 50 percent meat (e.g., chicken necks, backs, and wings) and 20-40 percent fruits and vegetables, offal, meat, eggs, or dairy. CFIA requires all facilities involved in the production of raw, unprocessed BARF pet foods or diets to be inspected and approved by APHIS VS prior to issuance of the APHIS certificate and export to Canada. For more information on how to obtain facility approval, U.S. companies should contact their <u>local VS Service Center.</u> Certification forms for these products can be found here on the <u>APHIS' iRegs website</u>.

#### D. Fresh Fruit and Vegetable - Inspection Certificate

All fruits and vegetables imported into Canada must meet CFIA's <u>Safe Food for Canadian</u> <u>Regulations</u> (Division 6) in the regulations. Specifically, apples, onions and potatoes require an inspection certificate verifying minimum Canadian import requirements for quality, labelling, and packaging are met. The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) of the USDA issues these certificates. U.S. exporters are urged to contact their nearest <u>AMS Inspection Division field</u> <u>office</u> for more information. Additionally, there could be phytosanitary/plant health certificate requirements, depending on the commodity, state of origin, and provincial destination. More information on the requirements for importing fruits and vegetables is available on this <u>CFIA</u> <u>website</u> and the <u>AMS Specialty Crop Export Verification and Certification</u>.

The importation of leafy green vegetables from California and Arizona are limited to those growers and suppliers that have met the Leafy Green Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) food safety guidelines and are a signatory to the <u>California Leafy Greens Marketing Agreement</u> and the <u>Arizona Leafy Greens Marketing Agreement</u>. Guidelines on import requirements for leafy greens from Arizona and California are found on the <u>CFIA webpage</u>.

#### E. Live Animals and Live Reproductive Organisms - Animal Health Export Certificate

APHIS VS issues health certificates certifying the herd and animal health status for live animals and live reproductive organisms exported from the United States. In addition, export health certificates are needed for aquatic animals to Canada. Depending on the type of animal, additional tests and vaccinations may be required.

Visit the <u>APHIS IRegs website</u> with a complete summary of requirements for embryos, horses, cattle, goats, and other live animal exports to Canada.

#### Travelling with and Shipment of Pets to Canada

Although the scope of this report is largely focused on commercial shipments, FAS/Canada periodically receives calls from U.S. visitors traveling with or shipping their pets to Canada. While certification is not required for cats or dogs, CBSA may request vaccination records. In addition, inspection fees and quarantine may be required for certain pets. Visitors are encouraged to work closely with their veterinarian to ensure necessary documents are prepared before traveling. The latest information related to pets entering Canada is on <u>the CFIA webpage</u>.

#### F. Plant and Plant Products Phytosanitary Certificate

APHIS Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ) is responsible for issuing the phytosanitary certificate attesting that plants or plant products are free from pests and diseases and conform to the current <u>phytosanitary regulations of Canada</u>. This may include plant and fruit seeds to grains and lumber. APHIS offers an <u>Export Manual Guide</u> on- line. For more information, please visit the <u>Plant Health Export Information</u>.

## Section III. Specific Attestations Required on Export Certificates

See matrix above for required Attestations.

## Section IV. Government Certificates Legal Entry Requirements

#### A. All Products: USMCA Certification of Origin

The USMCA Certification of Origin is required to be submitted to CBSA at the time of import notification (at least 1 hour (highway carriers), 2 hours (rail carriers), 4 hours (air carriers), or 24 hours (marine carriers) in advance). The USMCA certification of origin can be applied to multiple shipments of identical products for a period of up to 12 months. The certification of origin can be supplied by an importer, exporter, or producer. Shipments with an estimated duty value of CAD\$3,300 or less do not require a USMCA certification.

#### B. Meat, Poultry and Processed Egg Products

The original certification should accompany the product at the time of entry for all governmentissued certificates for each shipment. See section A above.

#### C. Bison – USDA Export Verification (EV) Program

Shipping documentation (bills of lading, shipping manifests, or letters of guarantee) must contain the following information:

- Clearly identified product type and quantity
- One of the following applicable statements:
  - 1. "Product Meets EV Program Requirements for Canada" for finished products eligible for export;
  - 2. "Product Meets EV Program Requirements for Canada excluding final fabrication requirements" for products that must be further fabricated to meet all requirements prior to being eligible to export.

#### D. Pet Foods

i. Veterinary Export Certificate for Heat-Processed, Shelf-Stable Pet Foods, Treats, and Compound Chews

As the APHIS Veterinary Certificate for Heat-Processed, Shelf-Stable Pet Foods, Treats, and Compound Chews can cover multiple shipments within a 30-day window, original copies of the export certificate are not required upon entry. Every shipment should be accompanied by a copy of the endorsed export certificate. Each shipment imported into Canada with a USA Multiple Shipment Export Certificates must be accompanied by an Importer's Statement of Compliance, containing the shipment specific information. Import conditions and the information required on the Importer's Statement of Compliance can be found in the CFIA's Import Policy for Pet food and Treats Containing Animal Products and By- Products.

## ii. Veterinary Sanitary Certificate for Export of Unprocessed (Raw) Pet Foods from a Bovine Approved Facility to Canada

For APHIS Veterinary Services to certify U.S.-origin pet foods using the Veterinary Sanitary Certificatefor Export of Unprocessed (Raw) Pet Foods from a Bovine Approved Facility to Canada:

- The exporter must present a valid, current <u>import permit</u> issued by CFIA ( see Section V, business registrations) allowing entry of the products to be exported;
- If the exporter is not the approved manufacturing facility, the exporter must provide documentation to show that the pet foods for export were manufactured in facilities approved by APHIS/VS; and
- The VS Area Office must verify that the manufacturing facility (ies) has/have been approved byVS and are listed in the APHIS internal database as being approved to export the pertinent product to Canada with a last validated inspection date in the previous 365 days.

#### E. Fresh Fruit and Vegetable - Inspection Certificate

Specific requirements for importation of U.S. potatoes, apples and onions are explained on <u>this</u> <u>CFIA</u> website. Generally, these products must be accompanied by an AMS-issued serially numbered certificate including the language "Meets Canadian Import Requirements for Grades, Packaging, Labelling and Standard Container Size." Shipments must be accompanied at the Canadian port of entry by an original serially numbered certificate or evidence in the form of a facsimile or a copy of an email message issued by AMS establishing that Canadian requirements for grades, packaging, and labelling are met.

#### F. Live Animals and Live Reproductive Organisms - Animal Health Export Certificate

For all commodities other than Aquaculture / Aquatic Animals to Canada, USDA Accredited Veterinarians may issue health certificates electronically through the online Veterinary Export Health Certification System (VEHCS). APHIS-endorsed, printed paper copies of appropriate export certificates and required additional forms must accompany the shipment at port of entry. Certain animals may only pass through certain ports of entry. For animal-specific requirements, exporters are encouraged to consult the <u>APHIS IRegs website</u>.

#### G. Plant and Plant Products Phytosanitary Certificate

Authorized certifying officials at the county, state or federal level may sign required phytosanitary certificates to accompany shipments of U.S. plants and plant materials to Canada. Exporters should consult the APHIS <u>Phytosanitary Export Database (PExD)</u> and CFIA <u>AIRS system</u> to confirm the latest requirements for products to be exported.

## Section V. Other Certification/Accreditation Requirements and Business Registrations

#### A. Fish and Seafood

<u>The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)</u> maintains an inspection program and issues a health certificate required by CFIA. Under the program the agency certifies the aquatic health as mentioned in NOAA list of <u>export requirements by country</u>. In addition, product quality evaluation, grading, and <u>certification services</u> on a product lot basis are provided. CFIA requires a questionnaire for animal and animal by-products to be completed by the U.S. processor. The questionnaire can be found <u>here</u>. FAS Canada recommends reviewing all requirements with <u>CFIA</u>.

#### B. Products Regulated by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

Firms exporting products from the United States are often asked by foreign customers or foreign governments to supply a written export certification for products regulated by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). FDA may provide this certification in a form the agency determines appropriate. For food products, FDA provides written certification for exports in the form of certificates and lists of eligible exporters for specific products or destinations.

For more information on FDA-Issued Export Certificates go to FDA's website for <u>Food Export</u> <u>Certificates</u>. Export Certificates include Certificate to a Foreign Government, Certificate of Exportability, Certificate of Free Sale, Certificate for Cosmetics, and health certificates for collagen and gelatin for products intended for export to the European Union.

For certain exported food products, some foreign food safety authorities require certification in the form of publicly available lists of establishments eligible for export. For more information on FDA Food Export Lists go to FDA's website for <u>Food Export Lists</u>.

For more information, contact <u>export certification offices</u> within CFSAN and visit the <u>FDA Food</u> <u>Export Certificates webpage</u>.

#### C. Organic

The United States and Canada maintains an <u>organic equivalence arrangement</u>. The equivalence arrangement allows products to bear either the USDA Organic seal and/or the Canadian organic logo on the food product and will be recognized and accepted in both countries. Those organic product shipments are to be accompanied by the organic certificate issued by a U.S. accredited certifying agent recognized by the <u>Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS)</u>. The certificate will need the following attestation statement: "Certified in compliance with the terms of the US-Canada Organic Equivalency Arrangement."

U.S. firms are reminded that the import and sale of organic food products in Canada are governed by the same rules and regulations that apply to non-organic food products. No distinction is made between organic and non-organic food regarding import requirements. Currently, all Canadian packaging and labeling, grade, and inspection regulations apply equally to organic and non-organic foods.





#### Business Registrations and Food Licenses on Imported Food into Canada

Those U.S. Firms shipping directly into Canada will need to register for a <u>Safe Food For Canadian</u> <u>import license</u> (SFC) under the <u>Safe Food for Canadians Regulations</u>. Those exporters shipping to a distribution center in the U.S. are not required to obtain a license as the shipment will come in under the buyer, distributor, or wholesaler's SFC license. However, for those exporters who anticipate shipping directly into Canada it is recommended to apply for a SFC import license. U.S. companies with no facilities or warehouses in Canada are deemed as <u>Non-Resident Importers (NRI</u>). The license permits CFIA to identify both Canadian and non-Canadian NRI's place of business should there be complaints or a recall. Before applying for the import license, exporters are directed to Revenue Canada to obtain a 9-digit <u>Business Number (BN)</u>. This will take between two to six weeks. With the Canadian business number, exporters can then apply on-line for the <u>import license through CFIA</u>.

# Appendix I. Electronic Copy of Selected Export Certificates

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## Example, USMCA Certification of Origin

USMCA CERTIFICATE V3

## Example: FSIS Form 9060-5EP, Certificate for Wholesomeness for Meat and Poultry

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE FIELD OPERATIONS EGG PRODUCTS EXPORT CERTIFICATE OF WHOLESOMENESS		result in a fin than five year Penalties exis	false entry or alteration of any entry e of not more than \$10,000 or imp rs or both (18 USC 1001). Addition at under the Egg Product Inspection 6), 21 USC 1041] for an unauthoriz certificate.	prisonment for not m nal Prohibited Acts a n Act [21 USC 1037	
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### **Example:** Pet Food ,Thermally Processed Pet Food/Treats/Compound Chews (1 of 3)

#### VETERINARY EXPORT CERTIFICATE FOR THERMALLY PROCESSED<sup>1</sup> PET FOOD/PET TREATS/COMPOUND CHEWS CONTAINING ANIMAL PRODUCTS AND BY-PRODUCTS EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO CANADA

Consignee (Name and Address):
Description of product(s):
<ul> <li>Pet foods and/or pet treats with no bovine-origin ingredients except exempt ingredients (e.g., milk or milk products, hide-derived gelatin or collagen, and tallow with a maximum level of insoluble impurities of 0.15% by weight).</li> <li>Pet foods and/or pet treats with non-exempt bovine-origin ingredients.</li> </ul>
RESALE
Any Canadian Port of entry
Date of Certificate Expiration <sup>3</sup> : mm/dd/yyyy
Truck İ Rail

# Example: Pet Food and Treats Certificate (2 of 3) Health Certificate Number:

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I, the undersigned Official Veterinarian of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), certify that this office has on file a valid APHIS approval(s) of the manufacturing facility(ies) to verify the accuracy of the statements below:

- 1. The certified pet food and/or pet treats were processed in a facility or facilities located in the USA or Canada and authorized by the official competent veterinary authority in the country of origin to manufacture pet food containing animal products and by-products.2
- 2. The certified pet foods and/or pet treats in the shipment may include the following [check all that apply]:

Pet foods and/or pet treats with no bovine-origin ingredients except exempt ingredients (e.g., milk or milk products, hide-derived gelatin or collagen, and tallow with a maximum level of insoluble impurities of 0.15% by weight). Pet foods and/or pet treats with non-exempt bovine-origin ingredients.

- 3. In the case of pet foods or pet treats containing tallow, the tallow used is protein-free with a maximum level of insoluble impurities of 0.15% by weight.
- 4. In the case of pet foods or pet treats containing bovine meat, offal, or any bovine ingredients other than exempt ingredients, they meet the following requirements:
  - a. Bovine-origin raw materials [meat/offals]:
    - i. were harvested in the United States from U.S.-origin bovine or legally imported bovine that:
      - · were presented live for slaughter AND
      - · were not subjected to a stunning process prior to slaughter, with a device injecting compressed air or gas into the cranial cavity, or to a pithing process, and were humanely rendered unconscious prior to being bled

AND/OR [check all that apply]:

- ii. Were legally imported from a country or countries recognized by the CFIA to be of :
  - Negligible BSE Risk Status<sup>4</sup> OR

Controlled BSE Risk Status [Insert name of country or countries]:

- and that:
- do not contain AND have not been contaminated with bovine specified risk materials (SRMs)5.
- b. All bovine-origin rendered protein materials6 originate only from countries of Negligible BSE Risk Status.
- 5. The certified pet foods and/or pet treats were sufficiently heat processed to ensure the destruction of pathogens that represent a risk to public or animal health.

Precautions were taken to prevent cross-contamination of the finished products with any animal origin product or by-6. product derived from animals of a lesser zoosanitary status.

#### **Example: Pet Food and Treats Certificate** (3 of 3)

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	Signature of Official Veterinarian
	Name of Signatory (in capital letters)
	Title of Signatory (in capital letters)

Notes:

1: "Processed" includes only heat treated and shelf-stable products.

2: In the case of multiple pet food manufacturing facilities, please attach addendum with complete list of names and either addresses OR USDA-APHIS approval numbers (if applicable).

3: This certificate will be valid for 30 days after veterinary endorsement. Shipments of thermally processed pet food/chews/treats certified under this protocol must arrive at the Canadian port prior to the expiration date.

4: The CFIA follows the OIE categorization of countries for BSE Risk Status

5: The term SRM refers to Specified Risk Materials of bovine animals originating from countries other than Negligible BSE Risk Status. SRMs include: the skull, brain, trigeminal ganglia, eyes, spinal cord and vertebral column (excluding the vertebrae of the tail, the transverse processes of the thoracic and lumbar vertebrae and the wings of the sacrum), the palatine tonsils from bovine animals aged 30 months and older and the distal ileum from bovine animals of all ages.

6: Bovine-origin animal proteins /processed proteins include those bovineorigin products produced in rendering facilities, including animal origin meals such as rendered meals, protein digests, hydrolysates, etc.

### Example: SC-205 – USDA AMS Specialty Crops Program Export Form Certificate



United States Department of Agriculture CMB No. 0681-0143 Exp. 08/06/2019

#### SPECIALTY CROPS PROGRAM EXPORT FORM CERTIFICATE

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Example: PPQ Form 572 - Application for Inspection and Certification of Domestic Plants and Plant Products for Export

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#### **Glossary of Acronyms**

AMS – Agricultural Marketing Service of USDA AIRS – Automated Import Reference System APHIS – Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service of USDA BN – Business Number (Canada) CBP - Bureau of Customs and Border Protection CBSA – Canada Border Service Agency CFIA – Canadian Food Inspection Agency CFSAN – Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition CFSAN eCATS – CFSAN Export Certification Application and Tracking System **COPR** – Canada Organic Products Regulations **EV**-Export Verification FDA – Food and Drug Administration FSIS – Food Safety and Inspection Service FWS - Fish and Wildlife Service Export Program HACCP - Hazard Analysis and Critical Control NOAA - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration NOP – National Organic Program NRI-Non-Resident Importer PEEPEV – Processed Egg and Egg Products Export Verification PPQ – Plant Protection and Quarantine RTE – Ready-To-Eat SFCA – Safe Food for Canadians Act SFCR - Safe Food for Canadians Regulations SRTG - State Regional Trade Groups USCOEA - United States-Canada Organic Equivalence Arrangement USMCA - United States-Mexico-Canada Free Trade Agreement

**Attachments:** 

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