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Thailand

Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards - Certification

FAIRS Export Certificate Report

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Report Highlights:

TH2142: This report lists certificates required by Thai Government agencies for U.S. products exported to Thailand including 56 processed and unprocessed food items, other prepackaged processed food, fruit and vegetables, live animals, boneless beef, canned or preserved meat and poultry products, other processed meat products, processed or frozen seafood, and hides and skins.

Updates to this report include a requirement for a GMP certificate for other prepackaged processed food and the elimination of Starlink-free certificates for the import of U.S. corn and corn products.

Section I. List of All Export Certificates Required By Government (Matrix) :

Product(s)	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required on Certificate	Purpose	Requesting Ministry
A) 56 items of unprocessed and processed food as stipulated in the Notification of Ministry of Public Health No. 193. 1. Infant food and uniform food for infant and children 2. Supplementary food for infant and children 3. Modified milk for infant and uniform modified milk for infant and children 4. Ice 5. Beverage in sealed containers 6. Food in sealed containers 7. Cow's milk 8. Cultured milk 9. Ice cream 10. Flavored milk 11. Milk products 12. Food additives 13. Sodium cyclamate and food containing sodium cyclamate 14. Food for weight control	1. Certificate of Free Sale	There is no specific attestation statement. Any statements that indicate the wholesomeness of the product and manufacturing process that meets Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) or equivalent.	To ensure that the imported foods are produced from the company whose production processes, production equipments, and foods storages comply with Good Manufacturing Practice criteria on food hygiene.	Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Ministry of Public Health (MOPH)
	1.1 Meat and Poultry Export Certificate of wholesomeness (FSIS Form 9060-5) (for meat products and some meat products*)	Specific statements : <i>“The products were manufactured in accordance with the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) regulatory requirement.”</i> (Please refer to FSIS Export Library: Meat, Poultry, and Eggs Export Requirements for Thailand)	To ensure that the imported foods are produced from the company whose production processes, production equipments, and foods storages comply with Good Manufacturing Practice criteria on food hygiene.	Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Ministry of Public Health (MOPH)
			There is no specific attestation	To authenticate the country of

<p>15. Tea 16. Coffee 17. Fish sauce 18. Natural mineral water 19. Vinegar 20. Edible oil and fat derived from animal or vegetable 21. Peanut oil 22. Cream 23. Butter oil 24. Butter 25. Cheese 26. Ghee 27. Margarine 28. Semi-processed food 29. Some particular sauces 30. Palm oil 31. Coconut oil 32. Mineral drink 33. Soybean milk in sealed containers 34. Chocolate 35. Jam, jelly, marmalade in sealed containers 36. Food for special purpose 37. Alkaline-preserved Eggs 48. Royal jelly and Royal jelly products 39. Products from the Hydrolysis or Fermentation of Soybean Protein. 40. Honey (Except manufacturers which are not</p>	<p>2. Certificate of Origin</p>	<p>statement. Any statement indicating products are manufactured in the US.</p>	<p>origin of the products being imported to Thailand.</p>	<p>Thai Customs Department</p>
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<p>recognized as factory conforming to Factory Laws.)</p> <p>41. Fortified Rice with Vitamins</p> <p>42. Brown rice flour</p> <p>43. Brine for Cooking</p> <p>44. Sauce in sealed containers</p> <p>45. Bread</p> <p>46. Chewing gum and candy</p> <p>47. Processed gelatin and jelly desserts</p> <p>48. Food supplement</p> <p>49. Meat Products*</p> <p>50. Flavoring agent</p> <p>51. Prepared and/or processed frozen foods</p> <p>52. Herbal tea</p> <p>53. Ready to cook food of which ingredients have been clearly separated into unit packing in the container</p> <p>54. Bakery products</p> <p>55. Food of animal origin other than meat products prescribed in MOPH notification No. 243/2544 (2001)</p> <p>Re: Some Meat</p>				
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Products* 56. Rice based noodles B) Other Prepackaged Processed Foods as stipulated in the Notification of Ministry of Public Health No. 342.				
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Product(s)	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required on Certificate	Purpose	Requesting Ministry
Boneless Beef, Processed Beef Product/ Cooked Poultry meat	Meat and Poultry Export Certificate of wholesomeness Certificate (FSIS Form 9060-5)	Any statements that indicate the wholesomeness of the product and manufacturing process. (Please refer to FSIS Export Library: Meat, Poultry, and Eggs Export Requirements for Thailand)	Proof of wholesomeness inspection	Department of Livestock Development (DLD) Note: The DLD handles only uncooked meat products (fresh, chilled, and frozen)
	Meat and Poultry Export Certificate of wholesomeness Certificate (FSIS Form 9060-5)	Specific statements : <i>“The products were manufactured in accordance with the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) regulatory requirement.”</i> (Please refer to FSIS Export Library: Meat, Poultry, and Eggs Export Requirements for	To ensure that the imported foods are produced from the company whose production processes, production equipments, and foods storages comply with Good Manufacturing Practice criteria on food hygiene.	Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Ministry of Public Health (MOPH)

		(Thailand)		
	Letterhead Certificate	All listed statements must be compliance with 14 import requirements imposed by DLD.	Assure compliance on all importing conditions	Department of Livestock Development (DLD) for uncooked products. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Ministry of Public Health (MOPH) for processed boneless beef products.
	Export Verification (only required for boneless beef and processed boneless beef products)	Any statements that indicate the specified plant has been approved on USDA Quality System Assessment (QSA) program.	Proof of approved plant by Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS)	Department of Livestock Development (DLD) for uncooked products. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Ministry of Public Health (MOPH) for processed boneless beef products.
	Certificate of Origin	There is no specific attestation statement. Any statement indicating products are manufactured in the US.	To authenticate the country of origin of the products being imported to Thailand.	Thai Customs Department

Product(s)	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required on Certificate	Purpose	Requesting Ministry
Canned or preserved meat and	Meat and Poultry Export Certificate of	Specific statements : <i>"The canned or preserved meat and</i>	Assure heat treatment on production process	Food and Drug Administration (FDA),

poultry products (low acid canned food, which pH above 4.6 and Water activity above 0.85)	wholesomeness Certificate (FSIS Form 9060-5)	<i>poultry products are heat treated and achieve commercial sterility (shelf stability) in accordance with FSIS canning regulations cited in 9 CFR 318.300 and 381.300.</i> (Please refer to FSIS Export Library: Meat, Poultry, and Eggs Export Requirements for Thailand)		Ministry of Public Health (MOPH)
	2. Certificate of Origin	Specific statements : <i>“The products were manufactured in accordance with the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) regulatory requirement.”</i> (Please refer to FSIS Export Library: Meat, Poultry, and Eggs Export Requirements for Thailand) There is no specific attestation statement. Any statement indicating products are manufactured in the US.	To ensure that the imported foods are produced from the company whose production processes, production equipments, and foods storages comply with Good Manufacturing Practice criteria on food hygiene. To authenticate the country of origin of the merchandise being shipped.	Thai Customs Department

Product(s)	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required on Certificate	Purpose	Requesting Ministry
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Distillers Dried Grains	Certificate of Origin	There is no specific attestation statement. Any statement indicating products are manufactured in the US.	To authenticate the country of origin of the merchandise being shipped.	Thai Customs Department
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Product(s)	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required on Certificate	Purpose	Requesting Ministry
Fruit and vegetable	1. Phytosanitary Certificate	Statements vary for different varieties of products	Plant health protection	Department of Agriculture (DOA), Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives (MOAC)
	2. Certificate of Origin	There is no specific attestation statement. Any statement indicating products are grown in the US.	To authenticate the country of origin of the products being imported to Thailand.	Thai Customs Department

Product(s)	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required on Certificate	Purpose	Requesting Ministry
Hides and Skins	1. Health Certificate	Specific statements according to Article 2.2.1.5 in OIE terrestrial animal health code	Assure compliance on all importing conditions	
	2. Certificate of Origin	There is no specific attestation statement. Any statement indicating products are grown in the US.	To authenticate the country of origin of the products being imported to Thailand.	Thai Customs Department

Product(s)	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required on Certificate	Purpose	Requesting Ministry
Live Animals	1. Animal Health Certificate	Statements vary for different varieties of products	Animal health protection	Department of Livestock Development (DLD), Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives (MOAC)

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Product(s)	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required on Certificate	Purpose	Requesting Ministry
Other Processed Meat Products	1. Meat and Poultry Export Certificate of wholesomeness Certificate (FSIS Form 9060-5)	Specific statements : <i>“The products were manufactured in accordance with the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) regulatory requirement.”</i> (Please refer to FSIS Export Library: Meat, Poultry, and Eggs Export Requirements for Thailand)	To ensure that the imported foods are produced from the company whose production processes, production equipments, and foods storages comply with Good Manufacturing Practice criteria on food hygiene.	Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Ministry of Public Health (MOPH)
	2. Certificate of Origin	There is no specific attestation statement. Any statement indicating products are manufactured in the US.	To authenticate the country of origin of the products being imported to Thailand.	Thai Customs Department

Product(s)	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required on Certificate	Purpose	Requesting Ministry
Seafood products (Chilled, Frozen, and Processed)	1. Either one of the following certificates to be provided: Export Health	There is no specific attestation statement. Any statements that indicate the wholesomeness of the	To ensure that the imported foods are produced from the company whose production	Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Ministry of Public Health

	Certificate issued by the U.S. Department of Commerce or Certificate of Sanitation & Free Sale	product and manufacturing process that meets Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) or equivalent	processes, production equipments, and foods storages comply with good manufacturing practice criteria on food hygiene.	(MOPH)
	2. Certificate of Origin	There is no specific attestation statement. Any statement indicating products are grown in the US.	To authenticate the country of origin of the products being imported to Thailand.	Thai Customs Department

Section II. Purpose of Specific Export Certificate(s)

Please refer to the Matrix under Section I.

Section III. Specific Attestations Required on Export Certificate(s)

Please refer to the Matrix under Section I.

Section IV. Government Certificate's Legal Entry Requirements

Fifty-Six Items of Unprocessed and Processed Food and Other Prepackaged Processed Food

Certificate of Free Sale/Certificate of Health and Sanitation/Export Certificate

- The original certificate needs to accompany the product at the time of entry.
- The certificate is valid as indicated on that certificate, otherwise valid for one year and can also be applied to multiply shipments of the identical product.
- Thailand accepts a U.S. State issued export certificate when officially certified of authenticity by the authorized officer in the embassy of the exporting country in Thailand.
- Thailand does not accept a Suppliers or Manufacturers Export Declaration as proof of compliance.

Certificate of Origin

- The original certificate needs to accompany the product at the time of entry.

Boneless Beef and Poultry Meat and Products

Meat and Poultry Export Certificate of wholesomeness Certificate (FSIS Form 9060-5)

- The original certificate needs to accompany the product at the time of entry.
- The certificate is valid only for the particular shipment.
- The plant number specified must be correlated with Letterhead Certificate and USDA Export Verification.
- Thailand accepts a U.S. State issued export certificate when officially certified of authenticity by the authorized officer in the embassy of the exporting country in Thailand.
- For attestation, please refer to FSIS Export Library: Meat, Poultry, and Eggs Export Requirements for Thailand at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/regulations_&_policies/Thailand_Requirements/index.asp

Letterhead Certificate

- The original certificate needs to accompany the product at the time of entry.
- The certificate is valid only for the particular shipment.
- The plant number specified must be correlated with FSIS Export Certificate and USDA Export Verification.
- Thailand accepts a U.S. State issued export certificate when officially certified of authenticity by the authorized officer in the embassy of the exporting country in Thailand.
- For attestation, please refer to FSIS Export Library: Meat, Poultry, and Eggs Export Requirements for Thailand at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/regulations_&_policies/Thailand_Requirements/index.asp

Certificate of Origin

- The original certificate needs to accompany the product at the time of entry.

Export Verification (required only for boneless beef importation)

- The original certificate needs to accompany the product at the time of entry.
- The certificate is valid only for the particular shipment.
- The plant number and FSIS Export Certificate number specified must be correlated with FSIS Export Certificate and Letterhead Certificate.
- Thailand accepts a U.S. State issued export certificate when officially certified of authenticity by the authorized officer in the embassy of the exporting country in Thailand.

Canned or preserved meat and poultry products

Meat and Poultry Export Certificate of wholesomeness Certificate (FSIS Form 9060-5)

- The original certificate needs to accompany the product at the time of entry.
- The certificate is valid only for the particular shipment.
- The plant number specified must be correlated with Letterhead Certificate and USDA Export Verification.
- Thailand accepts a U.S. State issued export certificate when officially certified of authenticity by the authorized officer in the embassy of the exporting country in Thailand.

Certificate of Origin

- The original certificate needs to accompany the product at the time of entry.

Distillers Dried Grain

Certificate of Origin

- The original certificate needs to accompany the product at the time of entry.

Fruit and Vegetable

Phytosanitary Certificate

- The original certificate needs to accompany the product at the time of entry.
- The certificate is valid as indicated on that certificate, otherwise valid for the indicated shipment.
- The certificate must be endorsed by Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). Thailand does not accept a Suppliers or Manufacturers Export Declaration as proof of compliance.

- Thailand does not accept a U.S. State issued export certificate.

Certificate of Origin

- The original certificate needs to accompany the product at the time of entry.

Hides and skins

Health Certificate

- The original certificate needs to accompany the product at the time of entry.
- The certificate is valid as indicated on that certificate.
- Thailand accepts a U.S. State issued export certificate when officially certified of authenticity by the authorized officer in the embassy of the exporting country in Thailand.
- Thailand does not accept a Suppliers or Manufacturers Export Declaration as proof of compliance.

Certificate of Origin

- The original certificate needs to accompany the product at the time of entry.

Live Animals

Animal Health Certificate

- The original certificate needs to accompany the product at the time of entry.
- The certificate is valid as indicated on that certificate, otherwise valid for the indicated shipment.
- The certificate must be endorsed by Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). Thailand does not accept a Suppliers or Manufacturers Export Declaration as proof of compliance.
- Thailand does not accept a U.S. State issued export certificate.

Other Processed Meat Products

Meat and Poultry Export Certificate of wholesomeness Certificate (FSIS Form 9060-5)

- The original certificate needs to accompany the product at the time of entry.
- The certificate is valid only for the particular shipment.
- Thailand accepts a U.S. State issued export certificate when officially certified of authenticity by the authorized officer in the embassy of the exporting country in Thailand.
- For attestation, please refer to FSIS Export Library: Meat, Poultry, and Eggs Export Requirements for Thailand at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/regulations_&_policies/Thailand_Requirements/index.asp

Certificate of Origin

- The original certificate needs to accompany the product at the time of entry.

Seafood products (Chilled, Frozen, and Processed)

Export Health Certificate issued by the U.S. Department of Commerce or Certificate of Sanitation & Free Sale

- The original certificate needs to accompany the product at the time of entry.
- The certificate is valid as indicated on that certificate, otherwise valid for one year and can also be

applied to multiple shipments of the identical product.

- Thailand accepts a U.S. State issued export certificate when officially certified of authenticity by the authorized officer in the embassy of the exporting country in Thailand.
- Thailand does not accept a Suppliers or Manufacturers Export Declaration as proof of compliance.

Certificate of Origin

- The original certificate needs to accompany the product at the time of entry.

Section V. Other Certification/Accreditation Requirements

Additional details on food import requirements and procedures including import permit, product registration, and food labeling is available in [Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards report](#).

In addition, both the DOA and the DLD require import permits. The procedure of import permit issuance has been, at times, non-transparent for certain pork and poultry products. The DLD agreed in principle (without official writing) to accept a “system audit” instead of its earlier requirement of “individual plan audit”. However, the DLD added the requirement that exporting countries of animal and animal products must complete the DLD’s questionnaires for approval before the DLD send its team to conduct on-site inspection in each exporting country.

Appendix I. Electronic Copy or Outline of Each Export Certificate

Certificate of Free Sale (A)

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FREE SALE CERTIFICATE - FOOD

Registration No: 0095

Application No : 18328

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) regulates the production, manufacture, and sale of foods, drugs, medical devices, and cosmetics in California pursuant to the Sherman Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Law (California Health and Safety Code (HSC), Division 104, Subchapter 1, [Section 09875 et seq.]). The above referenced firm manufactures and distributes FOOD products that were manufactured in the State of California by firms registered or licensed with the Department. Registered food processors are inspected by CDPH for compliance with the applicable provisions of the federal Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) regulations for foods which are adopted as California regulations.

The Department does not object to the sale of the following product in this state for shipment to any other state or country:

This shipment consists of: See Attached List

This document was prepared for the quantity of: 1000000

This certificate is not to be construed as either an express or implied warranty of any of the named products, nor shall it be used for advertising or other similar purposes.

This certificate expires 180 days after issuance.

Dated at Sacramento, California, Thursday, September 20, 2007.



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Jeff Farrar
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State Of California
County Of Sacramento

On Thursday, September 20, 2007, before me (Christine L. Johnson, Notary Public, personally appeared Glen Lawrence, personally known to me (he proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the statement the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal

Christine L. Johnson
SIGNATURE OF THE NOTARY PUBLIC

CHRISTINE L. JOHNSON
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