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Report Highlights:

The Directorate General of Livestock and Animal Health Services (DGLAHS) issued new questionnaires for foreign meat and pork establishments seeking approval to export to Indonesia. The new requirements are stipulated in Ministry of Agriculture Number 15 Year 2021 entitled, "The Business and Product Standards for Risk-Based Business Licensing Administration of the Agriculture Sector."

Background:

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The Government of Indonesia issued Regulation of the Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) Number 15 Year 2021; “Business and Product Standards for Risk-Based Business Licensing Administration of the Agriculture Sector” on April 1, 2021. MOA Regulation 15/2021 establishes business activities and products standards for agricultural sectors including the “Import Recommendation Standard for Carcass, Meat, Offal, and/or Their Products Thereof for Food Purposes.”

The MOA’s Directorate General of Livestock and Animal Health Services (DGLAHS) recently notified FAS Jakarta about the new questionnaires that foreign meat and pork establishments must complete to obtain approval to export to Indonesia. These new questionnaires replace the previous single questionnaire for foreign meat establishments. The questionnaires are included in the Guidelines to Apply for Approval of Pork and Ruminant Meat Establishment attached to this report and can also be found [here](#).

All applications submitted to DGLAHS prior to April 2021 are not required to use the new questionnaires.

All U.S. meat and pork establishments seeking to export to Indonesia must be approved by the Ministry of Agriculture. The list of approved foreign meat establishments can be found [here](#).

Note: All U.S. meat and pork establishments seeking approval to export to Indonesia must submit their applications through the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS), Office of Agricultural Affairs, U.S. Embassy, Jakarta. FAS encourages all applicants to contact the FAS office in advance of completing a questionnaire for updated guidance and information on the document review process, fees, and timeline. Please send all enquiries to: agjakarta@usda.gov

Regulation of the Ministry of Agriculture Number 15 Year 2021

Regulation 15/2021 includes provisions on meat and meat-product imports to the territory of the Republic of Indonesia and are listed in two annexes.

1. The first annex covers the standard of import recommendation for meat and products, which replaces the provisions in MOA Regulation Number 42 Year 2019 regarding the Import of Carcass, Meat, Offal, and/or Their Processed Products for Food Purposes into the Territory of the Republic of Indonesia.
2. The second annex covers the standard of import recommendation for boneless meat under certain conditions, which replaces the MOA Regulation Number 17 Year 2016 regarding the Importation of Boneless Meat Under Certain Condition from Country or Zone Within a Country of Origin. The provisions of this annex apply only to appointed state-owned importers. This annex is not covered by this report.

Summary of the Import Recommendation Standard for Carcass, Meat, Offal, and/or Their Products Thereof for Food Purposes

1. The annex requires animals to be slaughtered in a *halal* manner, and covers carcass, meat, edible offal, and processed meat products.
2. Importers of meat and meat products that include private and state-owned companies, cooperatives, social institutions, foreign country representatives, and international organization must obtain an

import recommendation from the Ministry of Agriculture prior to obtaining an import permit from the Ministry of Trade.

3. Requirements to obtain an import recommendation include a Halal certificate, which is issued by a halal certifying body recognized by the Indonesian halal authority;
4. The import recommendation:
 - a. shall be valid for six months. The importer is required to apply for an import permit from the Ministry of Trade within the three months after the issuance of a MOA recommendation, otherwise the recommendation will be invalid;
 - b. can be amended, except for its validity period and number;
 - c. recommendation numbers must be included in the veterinary health certificate (FSIS Form 9060-5) accompanying each shipment.
5. Importer must
 - a. own or control chiller or cold storage and refrigerated transport vehicle, with the exception for the import of ready-for-distribution processed meat that does not need cold storage;
 - b. employ a public health veterinarian.
6. Import of meat and meat products samples for exhibition purposes is allowed up to 200 kilograms.
7. Meat and meat product establishments of the country of origin:
 - a. must not process animals and/or ingredients from countries infected by contagious animal diseases;
 - b. must implement food safety assurance system in accordance with the international provisions, proven by food safety assurance system certificate(s) issued by internationally recognized competent authority(-ies);
 - c. must be approved by the Ministry of Agriculture through animal health and veterinary public health risk analysis.
8. The list of meat and meat products eligible for export to Indonesia is included in MOA Regulation Number 15 Year 2021 and its annex attached to this report.

The New Meat and Pork Establishment Questionnaires

1. The previous questionnaire covers all meat types, while the new questionnaires cover pork and other meat types separately.
2. The previous questionnaire had four parts and an attestation section, while the new questionnaires have five parts and an attestation section. The meat (non-pork) establishment questionnaire also includes a section of inquiries for countries not free from Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD), which is not applicable for U.S. meat establishments.
3. The DGLAHS requires the submission of both hard and soft copies of the questionnaire. FAS Jakarta will submit both hard and soft copies on behalf of the applicant.
4. FAS Jakarta prepared Guidelines to Apply for Approval of Meat and Pork Establishment to assist

applicant in preparing their applications. These guidelines are attached to this report.

Review of the New Meat and Pork Establishment Questionnaire

The new questionnaire focuses on technical concerns pertaining to the WTO's Sanitary and Phytosanitary Agreement, particularly food safety and animal health. The new questionnaire also has additional inquiries regarding halal assurances, animal welfare, and geographical indication topics. The previous questionnaire included a second section dedicated to halal assurance inquiries, which is replaced by only one question in this questionnaire.

The Meat (Non-Pork) Establishment Questionnaire has an additional section with questions for countries not free of FMD and a question regarding halal assurance.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION.

- a. The types of meat and/or products the establishment produces and intends to export to Indonesia;
- b. Source of animals and/or raw ingredients, which can be originated domestically or imported. It is important to note that Indonesia requires raw ingredients used for meat processing must come from establishments that are already approved by the Ministry of Agriculture;
- c. Production volume of the last 3 years;
- d. List of importing countries and date the country approved the establishment to export, types of products exported, the first year of export and related volume, and dates and countries of the last six months exported to; and
- e. Layout of the establishment.

2. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF THE ESTABLISHMENT. Similar to previous questionnaire, all related to the staff of the establishment.

3. LOCATION AND FACILITIES OF THE ESTABLISHMENT. This section seeks information on the location and facilities of the establishment:

- a. Location, access, and aerial picture of the establishment;
- b. Sources of water and electricity;
- c. Availability of animal quarantine pen on the premises;
- d. Information on all available storage facilities, that include the temperature, relative humidity, and capacity of the storage;
- e. Waste treatment/disposal;
- f. Pest control traps and bait location; and
- g. Facility for staff.

4. PRODUCTION PROCESSES seeks information on the production process flowchart with indication of critical points.

5. FOOD SAFETY AND QUALITY ASSURANCE. This section inquiries about the food safety, quality assurance, animal welfare, geographical indication, and halal assurance topics:

- a. The food safety assurance system implemented. Unlike the previous questionnaire, options provided include HACCP, GMP/GHP, ISO 22000:2018 Food Safety Management System, Food Safety System Certification (FSSC) 22000, and other food safety assurance certification;
 - b. Availability of food safety team at the establishment;
 - c. Ante and postmortem inspection;
 - d. Criteria of rejected animals/ingredients and how will they be treated/disposed;
 - e. Product recall and traceability;
 - f. Pest control program;
 - g. Biosecurity;
 - h. Tools calibration and laboratory tests;
 - i. How animal welfare measures implemented, including the operators and their certification;
 - j. if any specific meat product is Protected Designation of Origin (PDO), Protected Geographical Indication (PGI), or Traditional Specialty Guaranteed (TSG) certified; and
 - k. Halal assurance.
6. The new questionnaire has an additional section with questions for countries not free of FMD, which is not applicable for the U.S. meat establishment. According to the [Resolution No. 13](#) (88th General Session, May 2021) of the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), the United States of America, including the American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and U.S. Virgin Islands, is free from the Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD).

Attachments:

[Guideline to Apply for Approval of Pork Establishment.pdf](#)

[MOA Reg 15-2021 Business and Product Standards for Risk-based Bus Ag Sector Lic Adm w Meat Annex.pdf](#)

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