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Report Highlights:

U.S. food and agricultural product companies exporting goods to China are encouraged to verify their Chinese Import Food Enterprise Registration information inside the Chinese "Single Window" website. In addition, this report provides information on how to search for facility registration numbers issued by GACC. This report contains contact information for companies that need the recommendation from a U.S. competent authority in order to meet the requirements detailed in GACC Decree 248 along with links to prior GAIN reports on Decrees 248 and 249.

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Companies are encouraged to review the registration information for their facilities on the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China's (GACC) [Chinese Import Food Enterprise Registration](#) website which is part of the Single Window. The aforementioned link is to a searchable database of Chinese registration numbers. A brief review of the website suggests there are some potential data entry and/or typographical errors that should be reviewed and eventually addressed by U.S. enterprises registered with China per the requirements of Decree 248.

Any product exported to China covered by Decree 248 on or after January 1, 2022, must come from an enterprise registered in the GACC Single Window website. Separately, any product covered by Decree 248 that is produced or manufactured after January 1, 2022, must have either the Chinese registration number or a separate facility registration number from the exporting country on the inner and outer packaging of the product. The Chinese registration numbers used on paperwork during customs clearance and the registration numbers on the packaging need to match information in GACC's Single Window website.

Companies that self-registered facilities can correct most errors in the Single Window registration website where they initially registered (<https://cifer.singlewindow.cn>). The following data fields cannot be modified: the username, country, and the facility registration number issued by the competent authority of the exporting country. Changes to these fields require applying for a new Chinese registration number.

Instructions for U.S. food and agricultural enterprises that registered through competent authorities to meet the Decree 248 requirements are being developed. In its September 29, 2021, letter to the U.S. Embassy, GACC requested that the information in the Registration Management System for Overseas Food Manufacturers be complete by June 30, 2023.

U.S. companies that registered facilities through the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and have questions about their registrations can contact FDA at CFSANExportCertification@fda.hhs.gov. U.S. companies that registered facilities through the U.S. Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) and have questions about their registrations can contact FSIS at BeijingFSISCorrespondence@usda.gov; they may also refer to FSIS's Export Library at [China | Food Safety and Inspection Service \(usda.gov\)](#).

Inquires on Decree 248 can also be directed to Decree248inquiry@usda.gov.

FAS China has published the following reports on Decrees 248 and 249 to inform and educate U.S. food and agricultural stakeholders.

- [Decree 248 Single Window Searchable Database and Jan 1 Shipment Information - December 23, 2021](#)
- [Decree 248 Single Window Operation Manuals and Tutorial - December 19, 2021](#)
- [Decrees 248 and 249 - January 1 Implementation Date - December 8, 2021](#)
- [Decree 248 - FDA Constituent Update - December 4, 2021](#)

- [Decree 248 Single Window User Manual and Training - November 30, 2021](#)
- [Decree 248 HS Codes Published in GACC Single Window – November 30, 2021](#)
- [Informing Industry and Supporting Trade Facilitation as China Implements Decrees 248 and 249 – November 10, 2021](#)
- [Decree 248 Information Update – November 19, 2021](#)
- [GACC Issues Interpretation of Decree 248 - November 6, 2021](#)
- [Decree 248 Foreign Facilities Self-Registration Website Launched - November 3, 2021](#)
- [Decree 248 Unofficial Self-Registration Guide for Overseas Food Facilities - November 2, 2021](#)
- [Notes from Information Sessions on GACC Decrees 248 and 249 - October 22, 2021](#)
- [GACC Issues Explanatory Letter on Decree 248 - October 8, 2021](#)
- [Interpretative Guidance on Imported Food Labeling Requirements in Decree 249 - August 13, 2021](#)
- [Decrees 248 and 249 Status Update on Facilities Registration and Food Safety Measures - May 25, 2021](#)
- [Administrative Measures on Import and Export Food Safety - Decree 249 - May 7, 2021](#)
- [Overseas Facilities Registration Regulation - Decree 248 - April 20, 2021](#)
- [China Notified the Draft Administrative Measures on Import and Export Food Safety - December 11, 2020](#)
- [China Notifies Revised Overseas Facilities Registration Regulations as TBT 1522 - December 2, 2020](#)
- [China Released Draft Administrative Measures for Registration of Overseas Producers of Imported Foods - December 6, 2019](#)

Attachments:

No Attachments.