Malaysia

Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards - Certification

FAIRS Export Certificate Report 2017

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Report Highlights:
This report is to update readers on the new JAKIM halal requirements for processing plants of “Animal based further products, milk and egg products.” This is to include processed dairy products such as whey, ice cream and cheese.
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Executive Summary

This report was prepared by the Office of Agricultural Affairs of the USDA/Foreign Agricultural Service in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia for U.S. exporters of domestic food and agricultural products. While every possible care was taken in the preparation of this report, information provided may not be completely accurate either because policies have changed since its preparation, or because clear and consistent information about these policies was unavailable. It is highly recommended that U.S. exporters verify the full set of import requirements with their foreign customers, who are normally best equipped to research such matters with local authorities, before any goods are shipped.

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.

On December 14, 2011 Malaysia notified the WTO on a regulation related to halal certification and labeling. According to this regulation, all imported food from the U.S. “intended to be consumed by Muslims” must be certified halal by one of the JAKIM-approved Islamic centers in the United States (http://www.halal.gov.my/v4/index.php/en/badan-islam/badan-luar-negara-diiktiraf). The regulation became effective January 1, 2012. Malaysia’s food processing and food service sectors are demanding halal certified ingredients and food. The halal certificate must accompany the shipment, and the products must be labeled with an approved Islamic Center’s halal logo on the packaging.

All meat and livestock products (except pork) imported into Malaysia must be certified halal, and the products must originate from slaughterhouses which have been inspected and approved by the Department of Veterinary Services (DVS) and religious authorities (JAKIM – Department of Islamic Development Malaysia). An certifying body approved by JAKIM must supervise the slaughter and processing and issue the halal certificate for meat and poultry. It must be listed by the packing plant on the original JAKIM application form.

In July 2011, the Malaysian veterinary authority (DVS) imposed new requirements for pork abattoirs of exporting country. All raw pork products must originate from slaughterhouses which have been approved by DVS. Health certificates accompanying shipments must include an establishment number of a plant the DVS has approved. DVS approved five U.S. pork plants (http://www.dvs.gov.my/index.php/pages/view/299 under Amerika Syarikat) in September 2014. These plants were again physically audited in September/October 2017. They are under review by DVS for renewal of export certification.

Section I. List of All Export Certificates Required By Government (Matrix):
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<td>(1) Milk and Milk Products</td>
<td>Export Certificate for Animal Products (VS FORM 16-4 MAR 2010) OR Sanitary Certificate for Exports from USDA, Agricultural Marketing Service Halal Export Certificate Additional certificate for soft cheeses: Certificate of Analysis for Listeria monocytogenes by competent authority of the exporting country</td>
<td>Please refer to Section III</td>
<td>Health &amp; Veterinary</td>
<td>Ministry of Agriculture, Malaysia &amp; Ministry of Health, Malaysia Department of Islamic Development Malaysia (JAKIM)</td>
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<td>(3) Poultry or bird carcases, products or parts thereof (frozen, dried, dehydrated, salted, pickled, smoked or value added)</td>
<td>Halal Export Certificate</td>
<td>Please refer to FSIS Export Library: Meat Poultry Export Requirements for Malaysia (<a href="http://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/international-affairs/exporting-products/export-library-requirements-by-country/malaysia">http://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/international-affairs/exporting-products/export-library-requirements-by-country/malaysia</a>)</td>
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<td>Health, Malaysia Ministry of Agriculture, Malaysia &amp; Ministry of Health, Malaysia Halaal Certification</td>
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<td>Frozen pork, dried, salted, pickled or smoked pork; or pork products thereof</td>
<td>Veterinary Health Certificate</td>
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<td>Table eggs; frozen liquid eggs; salted, pickled or century eggs; egg powder or egg products thereof</td>
<td>Veterinary Health Certificate</td>
<td>Halal Export Certificate (for liquid eggs &amp; egg powder)</td>
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<td>Veterinary Health Certificate</td>
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<td>(13)</td>
<td>Fish and seafood products</td>
<td>Health Certificate</td>
<td>A declaration or statement by Federal or State Health Agency that the consignment is safe for human consumption. For shrimps and prawns; crab and crab products; whether in shell or not, live, fresh, chilled, frozen, dried, salted or in brine, cooked by steaming or by boiling in water: Additional declaration or statement that the consignment is free from Chloramphenicol</td>
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<td>Plant</td>
<td>Phytosanitary Certificate (APHIS - PPQ Form 577)</td>
<td>To certify that the plant products are free from quarantine pests, and conform with</td>
<td>Ministry of Agriculture, Malaysia</td>
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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)

1. Milk and Milk Products

A. Veterinary Health Certificate
   - the country of origin or part of country or state of origin has been free from foot-and-mouth disease and rinderpest for the past twelve (12) months prior to and till the date of export;

   - the milk or milk products were derived from herds/flocks that have been kept in the country in the preceding twelve (12) months prior to export;

      - the farm of origin have been certified free from tuberculosis and brucellosis by the Government Veterinary Authority of the exporting country;

   - the animals were found to be healthy and free from any clinical signs of infectious or contagious diseases (including ectoparasites) at the time of milking;

   - the milk or milk products were processed and packed in a plant that has been approved for export by the competent authority of the exporting country (the name, address and establishment number of the plant as well as batch/lot number and date of production must be clearly stated in the certificate);

   - the milk or milk products were processed, packed and stored under sanitary conditions and do not contain any preservatives, coloring matter, residue or any foreign substance or harmful material injurious to health and that every precaution had been taken to prevent contamination during the processing, packing, storing and handling prior to export;

   - The milk or milk products shall undergo the following process:

      - In case of milk or cream for human consumption, the milk used has been treated by ultra high
temperature (UHT) at a minimum of 132 degrees C for at least 1 second or by simple high temperature short time pasteurization (HTST) at 72 degrees C for at least 15 seconds for milk with pH less than 7.0 or double HTST for milk with pH 7 or over;

- Milk for animal consumption has been subjected to either double HTST or in case of simple HTST or UHT, this was combined with either physical treatment to maintain pH 6 for at least 1 hour or additional heating to at least 72 degrees C combined with desiccation;

- in the case of milk or milk products intended for human consumption; that the milk or milk products destined for export to Malaysia are wholesome and fit for human consumption;

- in the case of milk or milk products intended for purposes other than for human consumption; should be clearly identified and labeled (in RED) as "unfit for human consumption" or "not for human consumption" or "for animal use only" or "animal feeds" or "stock feeds."

B. Sanitary Certificate for Export

- The United States of America is free from Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Rinderpest;

- The product was manufactured in facilities inspected and approved by the competent authority and subjected to regular audits or inspections aimed at ensuring that the processing is properly and hygienically carried out, to produce a product that is fit for human consumption;

- The product was manufactured from milk that received a pasteurization treatment or adequate safeguards have been taken with the aim of avoiding public health hazards arising from pathogenic organisms associated with milk;

- To the best of our knowledge, the product contains no harmful levels of contaminants;

2. Day-old chicks

A. Veterinary Health Certificate

- the country or part of country or state of origin has been continuously free from Newcastle disease and fowl plague for the past twelve (12) months prior to and till the date of export;

- the chicks were hatched from eggs derived from a registered farm which is accredited to be free from Salmonella pullorum, Salmonella enteritidis, Salmonella gallinarum and Salmonella typhimurium; and no case of fowl cholera, infectious bronchitis, infectious laryngotracheitis, infectious bursal disease, margek's disease, egg drop syndrome, swollen head syndrome, avian encephalomyelitis, salmonellosis and mycoplasmosis had been diagnosed or occurred on the farm in the preceding six (6) months prior to export;

- the chicks were hatched in a hatchery approved by the veterinary authority of the country of export and that no eggs from any other farm have been hatched in the same incubator at the same time;
- the eggs and incubators used in the hatchery have been fumigated and disinfected prior to incubation;

- the chicks were packed direct from the incubator in the hatchery into satisfactory clean and new disposable boxes for export, and had no contact with any bird other than day-old chicks originating from the same hatchery;

- the day-old chicks destined for export to Malaysia have not been vaccinated against any disease except Marek's disease, using vaccine that is approved by the veterinary authority of the exporting country;

- the day-old chicks destined for export to Malaysia have been examined by the registered veterinarian and found to be healthy and free from any clinical sign of infectious or contagious disease at the time of export.

3. Horses

A. Veterinary Health Certificate

- the country or part of country or area/farm of origin has been free from African horse sickness, Western, Eastern, and Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis for the past two (2) years immediately preceding the date of export, and no vaccination is permitted in the country against African horse sickness;

- the country or part of country or area/farm of origin has been free from glanders for the past twelve (12) months immediately preceding the date of export;

  OR

  the animals have been tested with mallein with negative result(s) within 10 days immediately preceding export;

- the country or part of country or area/farm of origin has been free from trypanosomes for the past twelve (12) months immediately preceding the date of export;

  OR

  - the animals have been tested for trypanosomes by inoculation of whole blood into mice/rats and examined by Giemsa stained blood smears every alternate day for a period of twenty-eight (28) days with negative results;

- the country or part of country or area/farm of origin has been free from contagious equine metritis for the past twelve (12) months immediately preceding the date of export;

  OR

The animals have never been mated and is gelded;

  OR
the animals have been tested for the casual agent of contagious equine metritis by bacterial culture with negative results;

- the animals have been kept in an area or farm where no cases of diseases stated below occurred for the past twelve (12) months:
  
  a) equine encephalomyelitis  
  b) vesicular stomatitis  
  c) equine viral arteritis  

- the animals have been examined within forty-eight (48) hours of export and found to be healthy and free from clinical signs of any infectious or contagious disease including glanders, epizootic lymphangitis, ulcerative lymphangitis, dourine, horse-pox, sarcoptic mange, influenza, ringworm, strangles, infectious equine anaemia, equine encephalomyelitis, vesicular stomatis and equine viral arteritis;

- The country or part of country or area/farm of origin has been free from equine infectious anemia and equine viral arteritis for the past twelve (12) month prior to date of export
  OR  
  the animals have been tested in the laboratory approved by the government authority for the following diseases;

  a) Equine infectious anemia by immunodifusion (coggins)test with negative results within 30 days preceding export.
  
  b) Equine viral arteritis by serum neutralization test with negative results at dilution of 1 in 4 within 10 days preceding export.

- to the best of veterinary surgeon's knowledge and belief that, during the 3 months immediately preceding export, the animals have not suffered from any of the diseases listed below, have been in any premise farm on which these diseases have not occurred, nor had the horses otherwise been exposed to the risk of infection with these diseases: equine infectious anemia, equine viral encephalomyelitis, rabies, scabies, anthrax, glanders, dourine, strangles, epizootic lymphangitis, ulcerative lymphangitis, equine rhinopneumonitis, equine viral arteritis, babesiosis (piroplasmosis), Getah virus infection or any other diseases of equines notifiable in the country;

- the animals have not been vaccinated with any vaccine within one (1) month of the date of shipment.

Section IV. Government Certificate’s Legal Entry Requirements

1. Each consignment of milk or milk products shall be accompanied by a veterinary health certificate dated within thirty (30) days of import and signed or endorsed by a competent veterinary officer of the Government Veterinary Authority of the country of export.

Additional requirement for soft cheeses:
Certificate of Analysis (COA)

- All cheese made from unpasteurized milk imported into Malaysia must be accompanied by a Health Certificate and Certificate of Analysis (Listeria monocytogenes)

- All soft/semi soft cheeses made from pasteurized milk imported into Malaysia must be accompanied by a Health Certificate and Certificate of Analysis (Listeria monocytogenes)

2. Each consignment of day-old chicks shall be accompanied by a veterinary health certificate dated within thirty (30) days of import and signed or endorsed by a competent veterinary officer of the Government Veterinary Authority of the country of export.

3. The consignment of animals (horses) shall be accompanied by a veterinary health certificate issued by a competent Veterinary Officer of the government veterinary authority of the country of export.

4. Each consignment of fish and seafood products shall be accompanied by a health certificate issued by Federal or State Health Agency.

5. Each consignment of tree nuts shall be accompanied by a Phytosanitary Certificate issued by agencies in-charge of quarantine in the exporting country/state.

Section V. Other Certification/Accreditation Requirements


2. Horses:
   A. Identity
   The animals should have an identity certificate or passport by a registered veterinary surgeon in the country of origin and further endorsed by a Government Veterinary Authority describing the age, breed, sex, color, markings or other points of identification of the horses.

   B. Description of Animal
   The consignment of animal shall be accompanied by a certificate containing a full description or identification of the animals.

   C. Declaration by Master/Captain of the Ship/Aircraft
   The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by a certificate from the master/captain of the ship or aircraft in which the animals were carried stating that:

       - the animals have been embarked at port or airport in U.S.A. and had not landed at any intermediate port or airport during the flight/voyage to Malaysia. Stopovers of aircraft in Honolulu and Japan may be permitted or any other port as approved by the Director General of Veterinary Services, Malaysia.
- no other animals were carried in the aircraft or ship during the time that the horses to which the certifications refer were on board the aircraft or ship.

- no fodder other than from the country of origin was carried in the aircraft or ship during the time that the animals were on board the aircraft or ship.

- the interior of the aircraft has been sprayed with an approved insecticide just prior to the departure from the airport.

Section VI. Other Relevant Reports

- Malaysia Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards (FAIRS) Annual Report 2016 (Report number: MY6008)

Appendix I. Electronic Copy or Outline of Each Export Certificate

APPENDIX I. HALAL EXPORT CERTIFICATE FOR MEAT PRODUCTS
APPENDIX II. MEAT & POULTRY EXPORT CERTIFICATE OF WHOLESOMENESS

(FSIS FORM 9060-5)
### Appendix III. Health Certificate for Dairy Products

(VS Form 16-4 Mar 2010)
APPENDIX IV. SANITARY CERTIFICATE FOR DAIRY PRODUCTS
APPENDIX V. CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS (LISTERIA MONOCYTOGENES) FOR SOFT CHEESE
APPENDIX VI. VETERINARY HEALTH CERTIFICATE FOR PORK PRODUCTS
Sample A
United States
Department of
Agriculture

Food Safety and Inspection Service

Washington, D.C.
20250

FSIS Letterhead Certificate for Pork Products for Export to Malaysia

Date Issued: Certificate Number:

The United States has been either free of the following diseases for twelve (12) months at the time of export or the pigs from which the pork meat or pork meat products were derived originated from State or zones which have been free of these diseases from twelve (12) months: foot and mouth disease (FMD), African swine fever, classical swine fever and swine vesicular disease.

Signature of FSIS Veterinarian:
Printed Name:
Title/Professional Degree:
APPENDIX VII. HEALTH CERTIFICATE FOR FISH AND SEAFOOD PRODUCTS
### APPENDIX VIII. FSIS LETTER CERTIFICATE FOR BEEF PRODUCTS


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**STATEMENT OF LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION**

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The above named exporter hereby certifies through its undersigned authorized agent that this product was harvested from the following growing area(s) which was/were open for commercial harvest on the date(s) indicated and that the product has not been treated with chemical preservatives or other additives injurious to health.

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(Must be signed by authorized agent on or after date of harvest)

The facility/Exporter named herewith has been inspected by the Washington Department of Health and found to be in compliance with the laws of the State of Washington and with guidelines established by the US Food and Drug Administration to assure that shellfish products are handled in a sanitary and hygienic manner. Goods processed by this facility/Exporter are freely sold in the State of Washington for human consumption.

**OFFICE OF SHELLFISH PROTECTION**

All such certificates must be kept on file in the importer’s records for three years. Any certificate(s) not used must be marked “Void - did not ship” and kept on file in the importer’s records for three years.
APPENDIX VIII.  APHIS PHYTOSANITARY CERTIFICATE

END OF REPORT.