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## **Trinidad and Tobago**

### **Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards - Certification**

## **FAIRS Export Certificate Report**

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U.S. Suppliers need to be mindful of certification requirements for agricultural products entering TT (TT) as port of entry scrutiny can be intense on new-to-market players as well as on new-to-market food products until a track record of compliance can be established. This report outlines TT's certification requirements and includes an Export Certificate Matrix as well as examples of select Export Certificates. To avoid costly customs clearance delays, it is recommended that U.S. suppliers have their TT buyer verify compliance with all certification requirements prior to shipping new-to-market products. A list of the relevant TT authorities is provided in this report.

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NOTE: This report was prepared by the Caribbean Basin Agricultural Trade Office (CBATO) of the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS)/U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) in Miami, Florida 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 not available. 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.

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

Product(s)	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required on Certificate	Purpose	Requesting Ministry
All Foods	Certificate of Free Sale	The products exported are produced and marketed in the United States in general conformity with US requirements.	Food Safety	Min. of Health: Chemistry/Food & Drugs Division (CFDD)
Animal Products/ Fish Products	Health Certificate / Sanitary Certificate	<p>The animal/marine products destined for food consumption are free from disease and conform to negotiated standards concerning animal/marine health.</p> <p>*See Section III for specific language required.</p>	Food Safety/Food Quality Animal Health Protection	<p>Min. of Health: CFDD</p> <p>Ministry of Food Production: Animal Health Sub-Division (Vet Services)</p>
Meat Products/ Poultry	Meat/Poultry Inspection Certificate (Certificate of Wholesomeness)	<p>The meat/poultry products have been inspected by a certified veterinarian, both ante-mortem &amp; postmortem, and are wholesome and fit for human consumption.</p> <p>Additional statements must be made for canned and packaged meat products.</p> <p>*See Section III for specific language required.</p>	Food Safety/Food Quality Animal Health Protection	<p>Min. of Health: CFDD</p> <p>Ministry of Food Production: Animal Health Sub-Division (Vet Services)</p>

Canned and Packaged Meats	Cooking/ Processing Certificate	<p>The canned meat/poultry products were manufactured in accordance with USDA meat/poultry processing regulations.</p> <p>Must specify the temp./minutes of the sterilizing process and the sterilizing value</p>	Food Safety	<p>Min. of Health: CFDD</p> <p>Ministry of Food Production: Animal Health Sub-Division (Vet Services)</p>
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Product(s)	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required on Certificate	Purpose	Requesting Ministry
<p>Unprocessed Plant Products</p> <p>(Fresh fruits and vegetables, rice, flour, peas, beans, plants &amp; lumber)</p>	Phytosanitary Certificate	<p>The plant products have been inspected and are free of harmful pests and plant diseases, and comply with TT's phytosanitary regulations. Must declare from which US State the plant products originated.</p> <p>*See Section III for sample language.</p>	<p>Food Safety</p> <p>Plant Protection</p>	<p>Min. of Health: CFDD</p> <p>Ministry of Food Production: Plant Quarantine Service</p>
All Foods	Certificate of Analysis	Must give a complete chemical analysis of the product. Must identify the preservatives, food additives, and color additives of the product.	Food Safety/ Food Quality/ Heavy Metals/ Inorganic, Organic Standards	Min. of Health: CFDD
Peanuts/Corn	Aflatoxin Certificate	An accredited laboratory has tested the peanuts/corn products and the products do not exceed prescribed aflatoxin regulations.	Food Safety	Min. of Health: CFDD
Fish	Mercury/Heavy Metals/	The fish product meets or exceeds all purity standards	Food Safety	Min. of Health: CFDD

	Contaminants /Toxins/ Residues Certificate (Certificate of Analysis)	specified by the TT government.		
Halal/Kosher Meat Products	Halal/Kosher Certificate	The meat product was slaughtered under religious ritual slaughter practices (Halal or Kosher).  *See Section III for sample language	Religious Beliefs	Min. of Health: CFDD
Dairy and Dairy Products	Certificate of Origin	Country of origin of raw materials	Food Safety	Min. of Health: CFDD
Other Products	Other Certificates: Organically Grown Foods, Genetically Modified Foods, Irradiated Foods	Specific language may vary depending on the nature of the certificate. U.S. exporters should consult with the Chemistry/Food & Drug Division (see Government Agency Regulatory Contacts at the end of this report).	Food Safety	Min. of Health: CFDD

## Section II. Purpose of Specific Export Certificate(s)

- Certificate of Free Sale: The Ministry of Health, for the purpose of food safety, requires this certificate for all food products exported to TT.

Note: While the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)/Department of Health and Human Services (DHSS) often issues Certificates of Free Sale, it is important to note that the 1997 FDA Export Reform and Enhancement Act does not require FDA to issue export certificates for food products. However, since many foreign governments require Certificates of Free Sale, FDA intends to continue to provide this certification service as resources permit.

- Health Certificate/Sanitary Certificate: The Ministry of Health requires this certificate for food safety, food quality, and food processing conditions. Additionally, the Ministry of Food Production, Animal Health Sub-Division (Veterinary Services) requires this certificate for animal health protection purposes.

Note: USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is the principal federal agency responsible for issuing health certificates for animal products (VS Form 16-4). No APHIS Veterinary Services health certificate should be necessary for processed foods and food ingredients containing animal products as well as shelf stable food preparations. Such products should be accompanied by a Free Sale Certificate issued by a food safety agency in the State of manufacture under the authority of the competent authority or by the United States Food and Drug Administration.

Dairy products for human consumption produced in the United States are to be certified by the USDA Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), Dairy Programs (Sanitary Certificate for Exports).

Beginning November 10, 2014 prepared or manufactured food products containing eggs or egg products that have historically not been considered by consumers as products of the egg food industry, will be certified exclusively by AMS (sample certificate provided in Appendix I). Under the new program, AMS will certify a wide range of foods, including cooked omelets, frozen egg patties, crepes, hard boiled eggs, mayonnaise, and foods containing egg extracts.

Processed egg products (including liquid, frozen, or dried eggs, with or without added ingredients) are to be certified by the USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) using Form PY-2000.

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is the primary federal agency responsible for issuing health certificates for harvested/produced seafood products.

- Meat/Poultry Inspection Certificate (Certificate of Wholesomeness): The Ministry of Health, as well as the Ministry of Food Production require that this certificate be issued by a U.S. Federal Agency for food quality purposes.

Note: USDA's FSIS issues Certificates of Wholesomeness guaranteeing that the meat/poultry products have been inspected by a FSIS Veterinarian; both ante mortem and postmortem, and are wholesome and fit for consumption. For fresh/frozen meat and meat products and poultry and poultry products an FSIS Form 9060-5, Meat and Poultry Certificate of Wholesomeness should be used. For casings from beef, pork and sheep slaughtered in the United States, FSIS Form 9060-7 (08/26/2011), Animal Casings Export Certificate for Countries Requiring Ante-Mortem, Post Mortem and Fit For Human Food Statements should be used. For beef, pork and sheep casings legally imported into the United States, FSIS Form 9060-18 (08/25/2011), Animal Casings Export Certificate for Countries Requiring Ante-Mortem, Post Mortem, and Sound and Clean Statements should be used.

- Cooking and Processing Certificate: The Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Food Production, Land and Marine Affairs, for the purpose of food safety, require this certificate for all canned and packaged meat products exported to TT.

- **Phytosanitary Certificate:** This certificate is required by the Ministry of Health for the purpose of food safety, as well by the Ministry of Food Production, Land & Marine Affairs/Plant Quarantine Unit for domestic plant protection purposes.

Note: USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is the principal federal agency responsible for conducting inspections and issuing Phytosanitary Certificates.

- **Certificate of Analysis:** The Ministry of Health requires this certificate for the purposes of food safety, food quality, heavy metals, toxins, contaminants, residues and inorganic/organic standards.

Note: USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) issues Certificates of Analysis (for nuts and a few other exported products only) on a user-fee basis.

- **Aflatoxin Certificate:** The Ministry of Health, for food safety reasons, requires this certificate.

Note: USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), or other USDA accredited labs, issue Aflatoxin Certificates on a user-fee basis.

- **Mercury/Heavy Metals/Toxins/Contaminants/Residues Certificate:** The Ministry of Health, for food safety reasons, requires this official certificate for all U.S. fish products exported to TT.
- **Halal/Kosher Certificate:** This certificate is required of products labeled as being either Halal or Kosher. The Ministry of Health requires this certificate for religious belief purposes.
- **Certificate of Origin:** The Ministry of Health requires this certificate for food safety reasons. The Ministry of Health has specific concerns regarding melamine in raw materials.

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

- **Certificate of Free Sale:** This certificate should attest that the particular products exported to TT are produced and marketed in the United States in general conformity with U.S. requirements.
- **Health Certificate/Sanitary Certificate:** This certificate should declare that the facilities are operated under sanitary conditions (under supervision/monitoring of the regulatory agency) and animal/marine/other products destined for food consumption are free from disease and conform to negotiated standards concerning animal/marine health. This certificate should include the following attestation for animal products:

This is to certify that rinderpest, foot-and-mouth disease, hog cholera, swine vesicular disease, African swine fever, bovine fever, and contagious bovine pleuropneumonia do not exist in the United States of America.

For the export of pet foods and pet treats to TT, the following certification statements should be provided in the Additional Declarations section of the Export Certificate for Animal Products (VS Form 16-4) and continuation page VS form 16-4A as needed. A notarized affidavit from the manufacturer is required to support these statements on the export certificate issued by APHIS Veterinary Services.

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [company name] verifying the accuracy of the statements below:

1. The products may be freely sold in the United States as pet food.
2. Dry, semi-moist, and dehydrated products were sufficiently heat processed to assure destruction of pathogens of concern.
3. Canned (hermetically sealed products) were treated to an F0 of 3.0 or more.
4. Precautions were taken after processing to avoid contamination of the products.
5. All products have been packed using new containers and packaging materials.

For the export of feathers intended for ornamental use to TT, the following certification statements should be provided in the Additional Declarations section of the Export Certificate for Animal Products (VS Form 16-4) and continuation page VS form 16-4A as needed. A notarized affidavit from the manufacturer is required to support these statements on the export certificate issued by APHIS Veterinary Services.

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [company name] verifying the accuracy of the statements below.

#### U.S. origin product

1. The United States or region of origin meets the conditions of the World Animal Health Organization (OIE) to be considered free of highly pathogenic avian influenza and Newcastle disease as defined by the OIE.
2. The product originates in the United States.
3. The product was heat processed. (Provide processing parameters.)



## Imported product

1. The product was imported legally in accord with the regulations of the United States pertaining to highly pathogenic avian influenza and Newcastle disease.
2. The product was not processed in the United States.

For the export of semen extended with poultry eggs and that is not otherwise certified by APHIS Veterinary Services, an Export Certificate for Animal Products (VS form 16-4) is required. An example is canine semen in an egg-based extender.

The following certification statement should be provided in the Additional Declarations section of the Export Certificate for Animal Products (VS Form 16-4) and continuation page VS form 16-4A as needed.

The United States or region of origin (State: \_\_\_\_ ) meets the criteria of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code of the World Organization for Animal Health to be considered free of highly pathogenic avian influenza and Newcastle disease.

- Meat/Poultry Inspection Certificate (Certificate of Wholesomeness): This certificate should attest that the meat/poultry products have been inspected by a certified veterinarian, both ante-mortem and postmortem, and are wholesome and fit for consumption. Specific certificate forms are to be used for different products. For fresh/frozen meat and meat products and poultry and poultry products, a FSIS Form 9060-5, Meat and Poultry Certificate of Wholesomeness is to be used. For casings from beef, pork and sheep slaughtered in the United States, a FSIS Form 9060-7 (08/26/2011), Animal Casings Export Certificate for Countries Requiring Ante-Mortem, Post Mortem and Fit For Human Food Statements is to be used. For beef, pork and sheep casings legally imported into the United States, a FSIS Form 9060-18 (08/25/2011), Animal Casings Export Certificate for Countries Requiring Ante-Mortem, Post Mortem, and Sound and Clean Statements is to be used.
- Cooking and Processing Certificate: This certificate should declare that the canned meat/poultry products were manufactured in accordance with USDA meat/poultry processing regulations. The certificate should specify the temperature/minutes of the sterilizing process and the sterilizing value.
- Phytosanitary Certificate: This certificate should certify that the shipment of plant products has been inspected and is free of harmful pests and plant diseases, and complies with TT's phytosanitary regulations. Furthermore, the Phytosanitary Certificate must declare from which U.S. State the plant products originated.

While the TT Government has not specified a specific declaration required on the Phytosanitary Certificate, the following sample attestation can be used as a guideline:

The products have been inspected and/or tested according to appropriate official procedures and are considered to be free from pests and diseases and conform to the current phytosanitary requirements of TT.

Note: The importation of soft, fleshy fruits and vegetables are prohibited from all areas where dangerous fruit flies (i.e. Mexican and Mediterranean) are known to occur unless approved treatments can be effectively performed. Additionally, the importation of planting material, namely plants and rooted cuttings, should be limited to soil-free plants and plant parts.

- **Certificate of Analysis:** This certificate should give a complete chemical analysis and microbiological analysis of the product. This certificate should also identify the preservatives, food additives, and color additives of the product.
- **Aflatoxin Certificate:** This certificate should attest that an accredited laboratory has tested the peanuts/corn products and the products do not exceed proscribed aflatoxin regulations.
- **Mercury/Heavy Metals/Contaminants/Toxins/Residues Certificate:** This certificate should declare that the fish product meets or exceeds all purity standards specified by the TT government.
- **Halal/Kosher Certificate:** This certificate should ensure that the meat product was slaughtered under religious ritual slaughter practices (Halal or Kosher). While the TT Government has not specified a specific declaration required on Halal/Kosher Certificates, the following sample attestation can be used as a guideline for poultry products:  
The poultry products covered by this certificate are derived from birds that received (Kosher/Halal) slaughter as based upon documentation provided by religious authorities or by (Kosher/Halal) label declaration.

The following sample attestation can be used as a guideline for beef products:

The beef products covered by this certificate are derived from cattle that received (Kosher/Halal) slaughter as based upon documentation provided by religious authorities or by (Kosher/Halal) label declaration.

- **Certificate of Origin:** The certificate must state the country of origin of the raw materials.

#### **Section IV. Government Export Certificate's Legal Entry Requirements**

- **Certificate of Free Sale:** The TT government requests that a Federal Health Authority issue this certificate. TT does not accept a Supplier's or Manufacturer's Export Declaration as proof of compliance. The Certificate of Free Sale is valid for one year and can be applied to multiple shipments of the same product. Exporters are required to update this certificate with the TT Chemistry/Food and Drug Division on an annual basis.
- **Health Certificate/Sanitary Certificate:** The TT Government requests that this certificate be issued by a U.S. Federal Agency. The TT Government does not accept U.S. State issued Health

Certificates. The Health Certificate is valid for the length of time indicated on the certificate, otherwise valid for the indicated shipment, and it must accompany the products at the time of entry.

- Meat/Poultry Inspection Certificate (Certificate of Wholesomeness): The TT Government requires that this certificate be issued by a U.S. Federal Agency. The Government will not accept U.S. State issued Meat/Poultry Inspection Certificates. Customs Officials will accept the Certificate of Meat/Poultry for the indicated shipment only, and an original certificate must accompany the products at the time of entry and be presented in order to obtain an import permit.
- Cooking and Processing Certificate: The TT Government requests that this certificate be issued by a U.S. Federal Agency. The Government does not accept a Manufacturer/Supplier's Export Declaration as proof of compliance. The certificate is only valid for the indicated shipment, and the original certificate must accompany the products at the time of entry.
- Phytosanitary Certificate: The TT Government requires that this certificate be issued by a U.S. Federal Agency. The TT Government will not accept a U.S. State issued Phytosanitary Certificate or a Manufacturer/Supplier's Export Declaration as proof of compliance. Customs Officials will accept the certificate for the indicated shipment only, and the original certificate must accompany the plant products at the time of entry.
- Certificate of Analysis: The TT Government accepts a Manufacturer/Supplier's Export Declaration as proof of compliance. The certificate is valid for the indicated shipment only, and the original certificate must accompany the products at the time of entry. It is important to note, however, that for products considered "high risk" (such as meat and dairy); shipments may be detained by CFDD for sampling and subsequent microbiological testing. This situation is reportedly temporary until the CFDD provides further guidance on their policy going forward.
- Aflatoxin Certificate: The TT Government accepts a Manufacturer/Supplier's Export Declaration as proof of compliance. Customs Officials will accept the Aflatoxin Certificate for the indicated shipment only, and an original certificate must accompany the peanut/corn products at the time of entry.
- Mercury/Heavy Metals/Contaminants/Toxins/Residues Certificate: The TT Government accepts a Manufacturer/Supplier's Export Declaration as proof of compliance. The certificate is valid for the indicated shipment only, and the original certificate must accompany the fish products at the time of entry.
- Halal/Kosher Certificate: This certificate may be issued by a private sector religious authority. An original certificate must accompany the product at the time of entry.

- **Certificate of Origin:** This certificate must be issued by an official body at the Federal or local level. The certificate is only valid for the indicated shipment, and the original certificate must accompany the products at the time of entry.

## **Section V. Other Certification/Accreditation Requirements to Ensure Market Entry**

The Food and Drug Act of 1960, the Pesticide & Toxic Chemical Act of 1979, the Animal Disease Importation Act of 1954, and the Plant Protection Act of 1975, are the comprehensive set of laws that govern the importation of food and agricultural products into TT. In general, TT follows internationally accepted food standards and guidelines (i.e. those developed by the Codex Alimentarius), and may refer to U.S., Canadian, and European standards as well.

Exporters are advised that importers will likely require paperwork in advance of the arrival of any animal product in order to request an import permit from the Animal Health Subdivision of the Ministry of Food Production. Import permits are issued on a shipment by shipment basis and only after the documents have been presented by the importer or importer's agent. If an import permit is issued, it will detail the conditions under which the product will be allowed to enter into TT (e.g. certification or any treatment that may be required). Therefore, U.S. exporters should work very closely with their TT importers to make sure that they fully comply with the specified conditions of entry. For more information on the subject, see the 2013 Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards Report for TT.

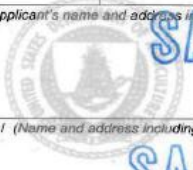

Finished leather and other finished animal products intended for commercial use may be exported to TT if shipped with documents that demonstrate processing to mitigate animal disease. A veterinary certificate is not required for finished leather products, such as leather bags, shoes and belts.

Commercial shipments of drums should be accompanied by documents demonstrating processing including the use of sufficient heat or chemical treatment to mitigate disease risk. In the event that the drums originate from countries other than the United States, the government of TT reserves the right to require evidence of legal importation into the United States and may also require evidence of mitigation sufficiently efficacious so as to mitigate risk from anthrax.

## Appendix I - Samples of FSIS Issued Export Certificates

### FSIS Form 9050-6 Meat and Poultry Export Certificate of Wholesomeness

7060-5 (5/15/2012)

<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE</b> <b>FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE</b> <b>FIELD OPERATIONS</b> <b>MEAT AND POULTRY EXPORT CERTIFICATE OF WHOLESONENESS</b>		<small>A knowingly false entry or false alteration of any entry on this certificate may result in a fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment for not more than five years or both (18 USC 1001). Additional penalties exist under the Federal Meat Inspection Act [21 USC 611 (a) (1), (2), and (5), 21 USC 676] and the Poultry Products Inspection Act [21 USC 458 (c) (1), (2), and (5), 21 USC 461] for an unauthorized or false alteration or misuse of this certificate.</small>		
DISTRICT OFFICE	COUNTRY OF DESTINATION	MPJ-		
EXPORTED BY (Applicant's name and address including ZIP Code)		PRODUCT EXPORTED FROM:		
		EST. / PLANT NUMBER (If applicable)		
		CITY		
CONSIGNED TO 1/ (Name and address including ZIP Code)		<input type="checkbox"/> @ SLAUGHTERING PLANT <input type="checkbox"/> @ PROCESSING PLANT <input type="checkbox"/> @ WAREHOUSE <input type="checkbox"/> @ DOCKSIDE		
TOTAL MARKED NET WEIGHT	TOTAL CONTAINERS			
PRODUCT AS LABELED	MARKED WEIGHT OF LOT 1/	NUMBER OF PACKAGES IN LOT 1/	SHIPPING MARKS 1/	EST / PLANT NUMBER ON PRODUCT
1 / As stated by applicant or contractor				
REMARKS				
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <span>SAMPLE</span> <span>SAMPLE</span> </div>				
<input type="checkbox"/> I CERTIFY that the meat or meat food product specified hereon is from animals that received both antemortem and postmortem inspection and were found sound and healthy and that it has been inspected and passed as provided by law and regulations of the Department and is sound and wholesome.				
<input type="checkbox"/> I CERTIFY that the poultry and poultry products specified above came from birds that were officially given antemortem and postmortem inspection and passed in accordance with applicable laws and regulations of the United States Department of Agriculture and are wholesome and fit for human consumption.				
NOT VALID UNLESS SIGNED BY AN INSPECTOR OF MEAT AND POULTRY INSPECTION PROGRAM				
		INSPECTOR AND DISTRICT	DATE SIGNED (MM/DD/YYYY)	
This certificate is receivable in all courts of the United States as prima facie evidence of the truth of the statements therein contained. This certificate does not excuse failure to comply with any of the regulatory laws enforced by the United States Department of Agriculture.				
FSIS FORM 9050-5 (5/15/2012)		REPLACES FSIS FORM 9050-5 (07/21/2010), WHICH MAY BE USED UNTIL EXHAUSTED		

# FSIS form 9060-7 Animal Casings Export Certificate "Sound and Clean Statements"

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE FIELD OPERATIONS <b>ANIMAL CASINGS EXPORT CERTIFICATE FOR COUNTRIES REQUIRING ANTE-MORTEM, POST-MORTEM AND FIT FOR HUMAN FOOD STATEMENTS</b>		SERIAL NUMBER MPA <b>SAMPLE</b>		
DISTRICT OFFICE	COUNTRY OF DESTINATION	DATE ISSUED		
EXPORTED BY:		CONSIGNEE TO:		
TOTAL MARKED NET WEIGHT (Specify unit, e.g. lbs. and/or kg.)		TOTAL CONTAINERS		
PRODUCT AS LABELED	MARKED WEIGHT OF LOT	NUMBER OF PACKAGES IN LOT	SHIPPING MARKS	EST. NUMBER ON PRODUCT
REMARKS				
I certify that the animal casings specified hereon were derived from animals which received USDA ante-mortem and post-mortem veterinary inspection at the time of slaughter, and that the casings are sound, healthful, wholesome, and otherwise fit for human food. While in establishments subject to USDA inspection, said casings have been handled only in a sanitary manner and were not subject to contagion prior to exportation.				
PRINTED NAME OF VETERINARY OFFICER IN CHARGE				
SIGNATURE OF VETERINARY OFFICER IN CHARGE <b>SAMPLE</b>				

FSIS FORM 9060-7 (08/13/2008)

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# FSIS Form 9060-18 Animal Casings Export Certificate "Fit for Human Consumption"

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE FIELD OPERATIONS <b>ANIMAL CASINGS EXPORT CERTIFICATE FOR COUNTRIES REQUIRING ANTE-MORTEM, POST-MORTEM AND SOUND AND CLEAN STATEMENTS</b>		SERIAL NO.  MPA <b>SAMPLE</b>	
DISTRICT OFFICE	COUNTRY OF DESTINATION	DATE ISSUED	
EXPORTED BY (Applicant's name and address including ZIP Code)		CONSIGNEE TO (Name and address including ZIP Code)	
TOTAL MARKED NET WEIGHT (Specify unit, e.g. lbs. and/or kg.)		TOTAL CONTAINERS	
PRODUCT AS LABELED	MARKED WEIGHT OF LOT	NUMBER OF PACKAGES IN LOT	EST / PLANT NUMBER ON PRODUCT
REMARKS			
I certify that the animal casings specified hereon were accompanied by documentation showing they were derived from healthy animals which received ante-mortem and post-mortem veterinary inspection at the time of slaughter, and are clean and sound. While in establishments subject to USDA inspection, said casings have been handled in a sanitary manner and were not subject to contagion prior to exportation.			
PRINTED NAME OF VETERINARY OFFICER IN CHARGE			
SIGNATURE OF VETERINARY OFFICER IN CHARGE <b>SAMPLE</b>			
FSIS FORM 9060-18 (08/13/2008)		PREVIOUS EDITIONS ARE OBSOLETE	
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## AMS Form – Sanitary Certificate for Exports



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

### SANITARY CERTIFICATE FOR EXPORTS



Country of Origin: USA

Certification Authority: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service

Reference Number of this Certificate: [ CertNo ]

I. Exporter (Name and Address)

[ ExportName ]

[ ExportAddr ]

[ ExportCitySt ]

II. Identification of the Dairy Products (Information Supplied by the Manufacturer or Exporter)

Product Description: [ Description ]

Condition or Kind of Treatment: [ Condition ]

Type of Packaging: [ PkgType ]

Number of Packages: [ NumPkgs ]

Total Net Weight: [ NetWt ]

Required Temperature, Storage and Transportation: [ ReqTemp ]

Validity Date (Shelf Life): [ ShelfLife ]

III. Origin of the Products: (Information Supplied by the Manufacturer or Exporter)

[ OriginName ]

[ OriginCity ]

Plant Number: [ OriginNo ]

IV. Product Destination: (Information Supplied by the Manufacturer or Exporter)

Origin: [ DestName ]

[ DestAddr ]

Destination: [ Destination ]

Method of Transport: [ Transport ]

V. Sanitary Certification

- (1) The United States of America is free from Foot & Mouth Disease and Rinderpest
- (2) 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.
- (3) The product was manufactured from milk or milk products 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.
- (4) To the best of our knowledge, the product contains no harmful levels of contaminants.

[ Date ]

[ Name ]

[ Title ]

USDA, Dairy Grading

Date Signed



## AMS Form – Sanitation Certificate (Egg products)



United States  
Department of  
Agriculture

Agricultural  
Marketing Service

Washington, DC  
20250

United States

1. Consignor/Exporter (name and address):		2. Certificate number:	
		3. Competent Authority:	
4. Consignee/Importer (name and address):			
5. State of Origin:			
6. Country of destination:			
7. Place of Loading:			
8. Means of Transport:		9. Declared point of entry:	
10. Conditions of transport/storage:			
11. Producer/Manufacturer:	12. Date of Packing:	13. Type of Packing:	
14. Name of Products	15. Number of Packages:	16. Net Weight:	
17. Attestations 1. Country Specific Attestations			
18. Certifying Officer: Name (typed): Date:			
Signature:			

- The official certificate should be read with the explanatory notes.

## FSIS Form PY-200 Egg Products Inspection and Grading Certificate

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## **Appendix II. Government Regulatory Agency Contacts**

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Fax: 1 (868) 623-2477  
E-mail: [mohcfdd@gmail.com](mailto:mohcfdd@gmail.com)

Veterinary Service  
Ministry of Food Production  
80 Abercromby Street  
Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago  
Tel: 1 (868) 625-5997 / 625-1473 / 741-3968  
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Plant Quarantine Service  
Ministry of Food Production, Land and Marine Affairs  
Central Experiment Station  
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Centeno, Trinidad and Tobago, W.I.  
Tel: 1 (868) 646-4335 / 646-4337 ext. 4017 or 4036  
Tel/Fax: 1 (868) 642-0718  
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Research & Policy Unit  
Customs & Excise Division  
Ministry of Finance  
Nicholas Court, Abercromby Street  
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