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Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards Report

FAIRS Export Certificate Report

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Report Highlights:

The report lists major certificates and permits required to export food and agricultural products from the United States to Angola. It is recommended that this report be read with the FAIRS – Narrative Report for a comprehensive understanding of the Angola regulations, standards and import requirements.

**ANGOLA: FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL IMPORT REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS
(FAIRS) CERTIFICATION**

This report was prepared by the USDA - Foreign Agricultural Services in Luanda, Angola 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 customers, who are normally best equipped to research such matters with local authorities, before any products 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: INTRODUCTION

Angolan import permits are country and commodity-specific. It is recommended that exporters contact the listed Angolan certifying authority on the contact details provided in **Table 6** to obtain the United States and commodity-specific conditions for each permit.

Animals and Animal Products

In Angola the Ministry of Agriculture and Forest, through the Veterinary Services Institute (ISV) is responsible to issue the import permit and veterinary health certificate for importing animal and animal products to Angola.

The law on Animal Health n 4/04 of August 13, 2004, establishes the general norms that govern the production, sanity, traffic, import and export of animals, their products and by-products and veterinary public health throughout the national territory.

The decree n 70/08 of August 11, 2008, regulates the Animal Health Law. The decree establishes the detailed aspects that the Animal Health Law does not specify. It defines the ISV as the body directly responsible for the application of sanitary measures under the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry. The ISV is responsible for the issuance of several certificates, namely: Hygiene and Sanitary Certificate, Livestock Exploitation License, Sanitary license to import products and by-products of animal origin, Zoosanitary License to import pets.

Plant and Plant Products

The National Directorate of Agriculture (DNA) from Ministry of Agriculture and Forest is responsible for issuing import permits. To request the import permit it is necessary to send a letter to the DNA National Director; photocopy of the commercial invoice and the commercial license and phytosanitary certificate of origin. DNA accepts a health certificate with FAO standards.

Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs)

Angola currently does not allow the use of agricultural biotechnology in production, and imports containing genetically engineered components are limited to food aid. In December 2014, the Council of Ministers approved Decree No. 92/04 as a provisional measure pending the establishment of a comprehensive National Biosafety System capable of properly controlling the importation, entry, use, and eventual production of Genetically Engineered (GE) organisms in the country.

SECTION II: LIST, SPECIFIC ATTESTATION AND PURPOSE OF ALL THE REQUIRED EXPORT CERTIFICATES

Table 1: List of Required Export Certificates for Animals and Animal Products

Product	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required on Certificate	Purpose	Requesting Ministry
Other Animals and animal products	Veterinary Health Certificate	<p>Country of origin of consignment.</p> <p>Country/Zone is free from prescribed or notifiable diseases e.g. BSE, Foot and Mouth, Anthrax etc.</p> <p>The prescribed inspections, isolations, treatments and tests that have been carried out as prescribed.</p> <p>Prescribed bedding, fodder, feedstuffs, transportation and supervision by official veterinary authority.</p>	<p>The certificate confirms that the prescribed regulations and conditions have been met.</p> <p>Prevent the introduction of animal diseases into Angola territory, as well as to protect human health.</p>	ISV accepts a health certificate issued by APHIS.
Animals and animal products	Import Permit	<p>Official permit granting authority to import the specified animal or animal products subject to the prescribed conditions and a valid Health Certificate.</p> <p>Quantity to be imported.</p> <p>Port of Entry likely to be utilized.</p>	The permit serves as the official authorization and confirmation to import.	ISV

Source: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.

Table 2: List of Required Export Certificates for Plant and Plant Products.

Product	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required on Certificate	Purpose	Requesting Ministry
Plant and Plant Products	Phytosanitary Permit	<p>Inspected according to appropriate procedures.</p> <p>To be free from quarantine pests and practically free from other harmful organisms.</p> <p>To be in compliance with the current Angolan phytosanitary regulations.</p>	<p>To prevent the introduction or spread of quarantine pests or to limit the economic impact of regulated non-quarantine pests.</p> <p>Quality control.</p>	DNA accepts a health certificate with FAO standards.
Plant and Plant Products	Import Permit	Official document authorizing importation of a commodity in accordance with specified phytosanitary measures and other import requirements.	The permit serves as the official authorization and confirmation to import.	DNA

Source: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.

SECTION III: GOVERNMENT EXPORT CERTIFICATE'S LEGAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Table 3: Animals and Animal Products: Import Permit

Question	Answer	Comment
Does the original certificate need to accompany the product at the time of entry?	Yes	Document copy could be accepted
How long is the certificate valid?		60 days
Can certificate be applied to multiple shipments?	No	
Will the country accept a Suppliers or Manufacturers Export Declaration as proof of compliance?	No	
Will the foreign country accept a U.S. State issued export certificate?	No	Only issued by ISV
Will the country derogate export certificates?	Yes	All import permits can only be issued by the Angola government. Contact details for applications are included in Table 6 .

Table 4: Plant and Plant Products: Import Permit

Question	Answer	Comment
Does the original certificate need to accompany the product at the time of entry?	Yes	Document copy could be accepted
How long is the certificate valid?		3 months
Can certificate be applied to multiple shipments?	No	
Will the country accept a Suppliers or Manufacturers Export Declaration as proof of compliance?	No	
Will the foreign country accept a U.S. State issued export certificate?	No	Only issued by DNA
Will the country derogate export certificates?	Yes	All import permits can only be issued by the Angola government. Contact details for applications are included in Table 6 .

SECTION IV: OTHER CERTIFICATION/ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS

Boarding Certificate

The Boarding Certificate is the document that allows the shipment of the goods from the origin. According to the regulation on the modalities for the management of sea freight distribution in and to Angola, ship-owners or maritime operators, registered with the National Shippers Council (CNC) whenever they hold cargoes to or from Angola, must oblige exporters to obtain shipment certificates at the origin.

Pre-Shipment Inspection

The Pre-Shipment Inspection for medicines and for the products on the table 5 is obligatory.

Table 5: Agricultural products under the new Import Regulation (presidential decree n. 23/19 of 14 January, 2019)

Pineapple	Beer	Cabbage
Bulk sugar	Wheat flour	Salt
Table water	Beans	Sardinella aurita (Iambula)
Lettuce	Casava flour	Sardinella madeirensis (reed)
Garlic	Corn meal	Juices and soft drinks
Rice	Corn flour	Tilapia (cacusso)
Banana	Milk	Tomato
Potato	Manioc	Peanut oil
Sweet potato	Mango	Palm oil
Horse mackerel	Spaghetti pasta	Eggs
Goat meat	Honey	Beef
Chicken meat	Sunflower food oil	Onion
Pork	Soybean oil	Carrot

SECTION V: CONTACT DETAILS OF THE RELEVANT CERTIFYING AUTHORITIES

Table 6: Contact Details of the Certifying Authorities

Product	Title of Certificate	Requesting Ministry
Animals and animal products	Import Permit	Veterinary Services Institute: Email: isvetangola@gmail.com
Plant and Plant Products	Import permit	DNA: Tel: (+244) 222 321 429 Email: dnafminader@yahoo.com

Source: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.

APPENDIX I: ELECTRONIC COPY OR OUTLINE OF EACH EXPORT CERTIFICATE

Import Permits from DNA and ISV are issued electronically by these entities, FAS Luanda does not have an example.