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Report Highlights:

Taiwan Food and Drug Administration (TFDA) will implement new certification requirements for imported meat products, effective October 1, 2022. The current U.S. certificates for meat products will continue to be used, with the extra information required to be inserted in specific sections. Detailed instruction can be found in the Export Library for Taiwan from U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS). There will be no change on the customs clearance process for the meat products from the United States.

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General Information:

TFDA will implement new certification requirements for the imported meat products, the requirements are stipulated in "<u>Imported Livestock and Poultry Meat Products Shall Be Accompanied by Official</u> <u>Certificates Issued by the Competent Authority of the Export Country</u>." For the livestock and poultry meat products in fresh, chilled, frozen, prepared, or preserved forms, and falling under HS codes 02, 0504, 1601 and 1602, the new requirements take effect on October 1, 2022 (based on the issue date of the certificates). For the canned products containing livestock and poultry meat, and falling under HS code 1602, the new requirements take effect on July 1, 2023 (based on the issue date of the certificates). The product description associated with each HS code is listed below.

HS code 02	meat and edible meat offal
HS code 0504	Casings of swine
HS code 1601	Sausages and similar products, of meat, meat offal or blood; food preparations based on these products
HS code 1602	Other prepared or preserved meat, meat offal or blood

The current U.S. certificates for meat products will continue to be used, including FSIS Form 9060-5, Meat and Poultry Export Certificate of Wholesomeness; FSIS Form 9285-1, Certificate for Export to Taiwan; and FSIS Form 2630-9, Letterhead Certificate for Beef and Beef Products (or Poultry Meat and Meat Products) for Human Consumption Intended for Export to Taiwan. Effective October 1, 2022, two new pieces of extra information will be required, storage condition (ambient, chilled, or frozen) should be added in the 9060-5, and the type of facility (warehouse, slaughterhouse, and/or processing plant) should be added in the 9285-1. Detailed instruction can be found in the Documentation Requirements Section of FSIS's Export Library for Taiwan. The 2630-9 will have no change.

For shipments arriving after October 1, 2022, TFDA will continue to accept the old 9060-5 and 9285-1 (without the additional information) when the certificates are issued before October 1, 2022. There will be no change on the customs clearance process for the meat products exported from the United States, including the handling of the original certificates and their paper copies. As such, in the case that the original certificate issued by FSIS is already submitted to Taiwan's Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine, TFDA accepts the paper copy of the original certificate attested by the importers/traders/rotary agencies.

Attachments:

No Attachments.