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Exempts US Exporters

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Report Highlights:

Colombia's Institute for the Surveillance of Drugs and Foods (INVIMA) released a draft regulation on June 30, 2026, establishing new procedures for recognizing and registering foreign facilities that manufacture and export food products classified as "high-risk" including dairy products, meat and meat products, egg products, and seafood. The new procedures would require foreign facilities that manufacture these high-risk products to follow additional registration requirements and undergo possible on-site audits. The draft regulation specifically excludes the United States and other countries that maintain free trade agreements with Colombia, granting U.S. facilities a competitive advantage. For U.S. exporters, the process to register new facilities remains unchanged under current procedures.

Report Overview

On June 30, 2026, Colombia's Institute for the Surveillance of Drugs and Foods (INVIMA) published a draft regulation that would update the requirements for recognizing and registering foreign facilities that manufacture and export "high-risk" food products, as defined under Resolution 719 of 2015. The targeted food products include dairy, seafood, egg products, and meat and meat products. INVIMA is accepting comments on the proposal through its domestic consultative process until July 15, 2026. The draft regulation is scheduled to enter into force on December 30, 2026.

The regulation exempts Colombia's trading partners that have free trade agreements in force, such as the United States. For countries without free trade agreements, exporters of the aforementioned products must provide a positive zoosanitary concept issued by the Colombian Agricultural Institute (ICA), certification from the exporting country's food-safety authority confirming that the facility operates under HACCP standards and remains under that authority's ongoing surveillance, and payment of a registration fee to INVIMA, which may also conduct on-site audits as part of this process. All submitted documents must be notarized, and facility registrations are valid for five years, after which they must be renewed. Non-free-trade-agreement partners are granted a one-year transition period to comply with the new requirements.

For the United States and countries with a free trade agreement into force with Colombia, the process to register new facilities remains unchanged under the current model, which includes the following procedures:

- Maintain an electronic registration through INVIMA's digital platform, InvimAgil (See [USDA GAIN CO2025-0016](#)).¹
- Retaining a sanitary registry, sanitary notification or sanitary permit, if applicable (See [USDA GAIN CO2025-0025](#)).
- Requesting a new import license or maintaining a previous one, if applicable.
- Maintaining a valid sanitary inspection certificate (CIS), once the shipment arrives to the Colombian ports. The CIS is issued by INVIMA once the goods are inspected.

In 2025, the United States exported approximately \$711 million in products covered by the regulation.

Attachments:

[Invima - Draft resolution Decree 2478 - Original Spanish Version.pdf](#)

[Invima - Draft resolution Decree 2478 Courtesy English Translation.pdf](#)

¹ InvimAgil is a fully digital electronic designed to modernize and streamline the process of obtaining sanitary registrations, permits, and notifications for commercializing regulated products, such as food, alcoholic beverages, and medical drugs.