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Export Animal Products to Korea

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Animal Product Export Requirements

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Export certificates to Korea MUST BE endorsed prior to shipping date. Korea will not recognize certificates dated post shipping.

The following information must be included on all export certificates for products to Korea:

- Name of product (including species of origin)
- Number of packages
- Weight
- Shipping container number and seal number
- Name of vessel or aircraft and date of shipment

If some of this information (other than the name of product and species of origin) is not available at the time the prepared certificate is provided to the endorsing Area Office, the exporter should leave this area of the certificate blank, and request the Area Office to hold the unsigned certificate until the information is available. Once this information is available, the exporter should contact the Area Office, and request that it be added to the certificate, prior to endorsement. Final endorsement must still be provided prior to the shipping date noted on the certificate.

Korea determines the shipping date by looking at the bill of lading. If this date is different than the shipping date noted on the export certificate, the Korean importer will need to explain the discrepancy to the Korean authorities, and products may

encounter difficulties entering the country. If this date is prior to certificate endorsement, Korea will not accept the product. **Products shipped to Korea prior to obtaining an export certificate will be denied entry into Korea.** APHIS will not be able to gain release of the product.

Korea will not accept product that transships countries such as China unless Korea will accept the import of the products directly from those countries. This applies even if the shipments do not clear customs in the third countries. Exporters should use extreme caution when not shipping products directly from the United States to Korea, and APHIS should not endorse certificates for shipments transshipping countries affected by foot-and-mouth disease or highly pathogenic avian influenza to Korea. Note - vessels may stop at ports in these countries for re-fueling, but the container may not leave the ship during these stops.

Commodity Specific Information

[Alligator Skins](#) (132.27 KB) - March 2026

[Blood: Fetal bovine serum](#) (149.62 KB) - June 2014

[Blood: Porcine Spray Dried Blood](#) (180.04 KB) - April 2023

[Certificate of Non-Use of BSE Vector Material from Designated Countries](#) (108.75 KB) - August 2013

[Collagen/Gelatin: Hide/Skin-derived collagen or gelatin](#) (149.31 KB) - March 2021

[Cosmetic Materials](#) (18.45 KB) for Pharmaceutical Production, and Related Products Containing NO Ruminant-Origin Ingredients Other than Dairy - February 2005

Dairy Products

- [For Human Consumption](#) (113.85 KB) - June 2021
- [Also Containing Other Animal-Origin Ingredients for Human Consumption](#) (216.88 KB) - November 2021
- [For Animal Consumption \(including pet food containing only dairy\)](#) (132.23 KB) - June 2021
- [Also Containing Egg Ingredients for Animal Consumption](#) (155.47 KB) - November 2021

[Egg Products: Egg Shells \(for Human Consumption\)](#) (137.85 KB) - January 2015

[Egg Products: Eggs Shells Intended for Ornamental Purposes Only](#) (100.22 KB) - June 2006

[Egg Products: Inedible Egg Products Other than Shells](#) (107.85 KB) - January 2015

[Hides and Skins from Cloven-Hoofed Animals](#) (123.36 KB) - February 2008

[Hydrolyzed Porcine Protein](#) (185.77 KB) - derived from swine intestines or intestinal mucosa - April 2023

[Hydrolyzed Poultry Protein](#) (196.18 KB) - derived from poultry hearts and/or livers - April 2023

[Medical Devices and Pharmaceuticals Containing Bovine Ingredients](#) (125.38 KB) - July 2010

[Non-Human Primate \(NHP\) Materials for Laboratory Use](#) (29.74 KB) - January 2017

[Pet Food and Other Animal Feed Containing Plant Origin Ingredients Only or Both Plant and Animal Origin Ingredients](#) (93.48 KB) - April 2009

[Pet Food and Treats \(Freeze-Dried\)](#) (11.64 KB) - July 2006 (pdf 10kb)

Pet Foods (including Fish Food, Nutritional Supplements and Digests) Containing Animal-Origin Ingredients

- [Instructions](#) (83.21 KB) - July 2024
- [NON-Sterilized Pet Food Certificate](#) (109.83 KB) - May 2018
- [Sterilized Pet Food Certificate](#) (152.5 KB) - June 2022

**Product certified after June 10, 2022 must utilize this updated certificate.*

*Products using the older version of the Sterilized Pet Food Certificate will be rejected by Korean officials.**

[Processed Protein Products \(Including Blood\): for Laboratory or Research Use](#) (209.4 KB) - April 2010

[Swine Products Intended for Pharmaceutical or Medical Device Use](#) (117.07 KB) - June 2019

[Tallow: Inedible Beef Tallow](#) (51.03 KB) - February 2004

Need Help Exporting Animal Products?

Certificate Endorsement

Contact APHIS Veterinary Services' Product Certificate Team for animal product export certificate endorsement or questions.

Product Certificate Team

Email: vspsok@usda.gov

Facility Inspections or Packages

Contact APHIS Veterinary Services' Facility Packages Team for animal product export facility inspection requests, packages, or questions.

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