

GUIDELINES FOR IMPORTING PET FOOD CONTAINING MEAT OR MEAT PRODUCTS INTO SINGAPORE FROM SCHEDULED COUNTRIES

All import of pet food including rawhides/dog chews containing meat or meat products (beef, lamb, chicken, meat/bone meal, etc) requires approval from AVS before they can be imported into Singapore.

COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

Australia, Canada, New Zealand, United Kingdom* & United States of America.

IMPORT REQUIREMENTS

The consignment must be accompanied by a **Health Certificate** from the veterinary administration of the exporting country certifying:

- a. Importer name and address, and telephone contact (if any)
- b. Manufacturer name and address
- c. Manufacturing plant approved by veterinary administration of the exporting country
- d. Manufacturing plant number (if any) and full address of manufacturing plant
- e. Manufacturing process e.g. heat treatment at minimum 70°C for 30 minutes
- f. Brand name
- g. Batch information of the products (must include manufacturing date/s)
- h. Clear description of product details, including species information (dog or cat), type of food (wet or dry), packaging information (pouch, can, bag)
- i. Certification that the beef and beef products used were derived from cattle originating from countries/regions/zones in the World Organisation for Animal Health's (WOAH) list of members with negligible Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE) risk
- j. For pet food containing meat or meat products, either:
 - a. Certification of country freedom from Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) and Rinderpest for the last six months prior to date of export; or
 - b. Certification of the manufacturing process, and declaration that the treatment process is sufficient to inactivate all pathogens of concern, namely FMD virus and Rinderpest virus
- k. The end product was packed in the plant in new and sterilised packaging and precautions were taken to prevent contamination

*United Kingdom is currently not in WOA's list of members with negligible BSE risk.

The packing of the pet food shall be clearly labelled, in English, with the following information:

- a. name and address of the manufacturer
- b. name and address of the importer.
- c. date of manufacture and expiry
- d. directions for use for the intended animal species
- e. the list of ingredients used in the pet food.

f. its guaranteed analysis in a complete and balanced diet (must meet the internationally recommended nutritional standards e.g from the National Research Council and Association of American Feed Control Officials).

AFTER APPROVAL HAS BEEN GIVEN

The pet food importer is required to open a GIRO account with AVS for the payment of permit fee. Permit fee for Import or Transshipment of pet food is \$22 per consignment. Should you require further information, please contact animal_feedback@nparks.gov.sg.

TRADENET DECLARATION

When making a TradeNet Declaration, importers are required to submit the copy of veterinary health certificate, invoices, packing list, manufacturer's declaration, bill of lading/AWB and other documents before TradeNet approval will be granted. Original health certificate must be kept on file by the importer for AVS audit and verification.

Importers are to ensure that the correct HS Code and Product Codes are used when making a TradeNet declaration.