

**Veterinary health requirements  
applying to the import of fodder and fodder additives  
of animal origin, including bird and fish origin, into the Russian Federation  
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Fodder and fodder additives intended for consumption by livestock and produced by businesses which are in possession of an export licence for those products issued by the central state veterinary service of the exporting country and which are subject to continuous supervision by them, shall be admitted into the Russian Federation. Fodder and fodder additives must be obtained from fresh raw material of animal and bird origin, and must originate from holdings and administrative territories which are free of infectious animal and bird diseases, including:

- bovine spongiform encephalopathy and ovine scrapie;
- on the national territory, in accordance with the requirements of the International Veterinary Code of the OIE;
- African swine fever, African horse fever, camel disease and rinderpest: during the last three years in the country;
- classical swine fever, foot-and-mouth disease, sheep and goat pox, and contagious bovine pleuropneumonia: during the last 12 months in an administrative territory;
- Siberian plague (anthrax), brucellosis, leptospirosis, Aujeszky's disease, anaerobic infections: during the last three months on the holding.

Beef, mutton, viscera, by-products, meat and bone meal or other raw materials obtained from countries which do not meet the requirements of the International Veterinary Code of the OIE regarding bovine spongiform encephalopathy or ovine scrapie shall not be used in the production of fodder.

Raw materials used in the production of fodder must be obtained from livestock not obtained from genetically modified sources.

Raw materials used in the production of fodder must only be of post-slaughter origin and subject to a post-mortem veterinary health report prepared by the state veterinary service of the exporting country.

Raw materials shall be processed at a temperature of no less than + 133°C (271.4°F), for no less than 20 minutes at a pressure of 3 bar (42.824 pounds/cm<sup>2</sup>), or processed in accordance with an alternative thermal-processing system, confirmed by the central state veterinary service of the exporting country, which shall provide appropriate assurances with respect to microbiological standards.

Fodder and fodder additives must not contain salmonella, botulinus toxin or enteropathogenic or anaerobic microflora. Total bacterial contamination must not exceed 500 000 colony-forming units per gram, which must be corroborated by laboratory tests forming the basis for the corresponding entry in the veterinary certificate.

Packaging and packaging material must be of the disposable type and satisfy hygiene requirements.

Means of transport must be processed and conditioned in accordance with the rules in force in the exporting country.

Fulfilment of the conditions set out in these requirements must be fully corroborated by:

1. a veterinary certificate signed by a State Veterinary Officer in the exporting country confirming that the administrative territory (country, state, province, etc.) meets the requirements regarding the above-mentioned infectious diseases;
2. a certificate of quality issued by the authorised control body of the exporting country (inspectorate, laboratory, etc.), confirming that the content of heavy metals, mycotoxins and pesticides and total beta activity do not exceed the values stated above.

Certificates must be drawn up in the language of the exporting country and in Russian.

Batches of goods shall be supplied after tests have been performed on samples of the product at the All-Russian Scientific Research Institute for Control, Standardisation and Certification of Veterinary Preparations and after certification has been obtained.

Fodder and fodder additives may not be shipped until the importer has obtained authorisation from the Veterinary Department of the Ministry of Agriculture of Russia.

The Veterinary Department of the Ministry of Agriculture of Russia reserves the right to have its veterinary specialists prepare assessments of businesses with a view to the possibility of importing a product into the Russian Federation from them.

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