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**Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service**

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In accordance with Commission Regulation (EC) No 1250/2008 of 12 December 2008, changes to the certification requirements for seafood exported to the European Union come into effect on 1 July 2009.

In line with these changes, which relate mainly to the format of the certificate, revised export certification will be issued by the Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service commencing 1 July 2009 and EXDOC will default to the new certification. .

The impact on trade resulting from these changes is expected to be minimal. However, please note the following restrictions:

- Rainbow trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*), Redfin perch (*Perca fluviatilis*) and the fish genera *Catla*, *Channa*, *Labeo*, *Mastacembelus*, *Mugil*, *Putius* and *Trichogaster* must be eviscerated prior to export.
- Bivalve molluscs can only be harvested from EU approved harvesting areas; and
- Live Pacific Oysters (*Crassostrea gigas*) can only be exported in retail sale packages or if destined for further processing.

If you require any further information, please contact your regional AQIS office.

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