



MARKET ACCESS ADVICE

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Manual of Importing Country Requirements (MICoR) – Recent Updates

Attention	Industries	Export Establishments Industry bodies
	Department of Agriculture	Central and Regional offices ATMs and FOMs OPVs and Meat inspection staff State Regulatory Authorities
Affected Markets		Various
Further Information		Please contact exports@agriculture.gov.au if you have any queries.

This Market Access Advice is to advise of recent content changes in the Manual of Importing Country Requirements (MICoR) database.

If you do not have access to MICoR, visit the website <http://www.daff.gov.au/micor>

After clicking on the appropriate commodities group, click on the ‘apply for access’ link. Please note that the information on MICoR may not reflect recent changes to importing country requirements. The Department of Agriculture encourages all exporters to contact officials of the importing country, either through the importer or directly, to confirm that their product meets the current requirements of the importing country.

Information for the following products has been updated in MICoR:

MEAT & ANIMAL BY-PRODUCTS

Country	Commodity	Section	Explanation
Taiwan	Raw pet meat and processed pet food	8.3	Update to endorsements on pet certification to reflect revised Taiwanese requirements.
All	All	Meat homepage	A link to a list of recently issued market access advices is now available on the meat homepage.
Mexico and USA	Casings derived from cattle, sheep, swine or goats	1.3, 7.3	Update to reflect access for casings exported directly to Mexico, or to Mexico via USA
EU	All finished foodstuffs	6.1	New EU regulation on provision of food information (labelling) to consumers
Vietnam	Meat	6.1, 6.2	Update to clarify labelling requirements
New Caledonia	Pet food Rendered products	1.2, 8.3, 8.5	New listing requirements and certification arrangements for inedible products.
USA	Petfood	8.3	Certification for Processed petfood is

			currently unavailable pending official negotiations.
Myanmar	Poultry meat and poultry meat products	1.3, 1.6	Myanmar's recent import regulations mean that poultry meat and poultry meat products cannot be exported.
Kuwait	Meat and meat products	6.2	All calculations of expiry dates should include the day of slaughter as Day 1.

SEAFOOD AND SEAFOOD PRODUCTS

Country	Commodity	Section	Explanation
China	All seafood	1.1, 1.2, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3	MICoR has been updated to reflect pre-existing requirements.
Brazil	All seafood	7	Seafood exports to Brazil are currently suspended pending certification negotiations.

MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS

Country	Commodity	Section	Explanation
Hong Kong	Ready-to-eat milk products	2.3	Update to reflect Hong Kong's recently published microbiological guidelines for ready-to-eat foods.
Philippines	Milk and milk products	1.1, 6.1	Update to include reflect new requirement for exporters to enter import permit details into Request for Permits (RFPs) for consignments of dairy products to the Philippines using eCert.
Indonesia	Milk and milk products	5.1	Clarification that labels must be attached in and/or on the packaging at the time of entering Indonesia and be written or printed using Bahasa.
EU and all countries adopting EU requirements	Finished milk products	6.1	New EU regulation on provision of food information (labelling) to consumers.
Mexico	Manufacturing grade milk and milk products, milk-based stockfeed, technical products and pharmaceutical materials	7.1, 7.2, 7.3	Exports of manufacturing grade milk and milk products, milk-based stockfeed, technical products and pharmaceutical materials currently suspended as there is no agreed bilingual certificates for these products.
United States (US)	Milk and milk products	1.2	Update to reflect requirement to renew registration with the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA).
Russian Federation	Milk and milk products	1.3, 2.3	Information about the Presidential Decree and the list of dairy products included in the ban implemented for a year from August 2014. Removal of note about Australia's tetracycline program.

Market Access Advice Notices (MAA's) issued in October 2014

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MAA1467 Dairy2014-17 Fish2014-15	07/10/2014	USA	FDA registration
MAA1468	10/10/2014	Brazil	Market access for hides and skins re-established
MAA1469	10/10/2014	Mexico/USA	Market access for casings exported directly to Mexico or to Mexico via the United States of America
MAA1470 Dairy2014-18 Fish2014-16	13/10/2014	EU	Mandatory labelling requirements
Fish 2014-17	17/10/2014	Brazil	Suspension of seafood exports
MAA1471	16/10/2014	Switzerland	Accuracy in labelling of beef exports
MAA1472 Fish2014-18 Dairy2014-19	27/10/2014	MEXICO	Bilingual certification
MAA1473	27/10/2014	USA	USA – Suspension of trade in pet food
MAA1474	31/10/2014	Kuwait	Calculation and labelling of expiry dates
MAA1475	31/10/2014	Qatar	Unofficial notification of approved Islamic Organisations

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