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Republic of Korea: Listing process for new establishments seeking to export ‘non-designated livestock products’ for human consumption to the Republic of Korea

Attention	Industries	Industry bodies – Dairy Australia Export Dairy Establishments Licensed exporters
	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Central and Regional Offices
Affected Markets		Republic of Korea
Further Information		Please contact exports@agriculture.gov.au if you have any queries.

Further to Market Access Advice 2016-33, the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources provides the following information to clarify the Republic of Korea’s (Korea’s) registration process for **new establishments seeking to export non-designated livestock products for human consumption to Korea.**

A definition of livestock products (designated and non-designated) is included in **Attachment 1**, and a list of livestock products eligible to be exported to Korea is provided at **Attachment 2**.

Following the enforcement of Korea’s *Special Act on Imported Food Safety Management* (the Act) on 4 August 2016, all establishments exporting ‘livestock products’ for human consumption to Korea must be listed with Korea’s Ministry of Food and Drug Safety (MFDS). This includes establishments where livestock animals are slaughtered and/or where livestock products are manufactured, processed and/or stored (cold storage only) before being exported to Korea.

Products exported to Korea from establishments that are not registered with MFDS will **not** be permitted entry at the border. Exporters that send product without registration do so at commercial risk.

The department is working with Korea to facilitate registration for all establishments seeking new listing for export of livestock products to Korea.

Establishments with a history of trade in non-designated livestock products

Korea has advised that establishments with a history of trade prior to 4 February 2016 in non-designated products are permitted automatic registration. The department has been working with MFDS to ensure listing of these establishments; however, Korea has rejected several dairy establishments that the department has recommended for listing. Although the department continues to work with Korean authorities to resolve this issue, those establishments with a history of trade that have not been listed are encouraged to submit an application as a new establishment.

For establishments producing meat and meat products including chilled meats, registration and certification arrangements remains unchanged.

Process for new establishment registration with Korea

Establishments producing meat and meat products (except processed meats)

Registrations for new establishments producing meat and meat products remains unchanged and will continue to be managed by the department.

Establishments producing whole eggs

Registrations for new establishments producing whole eggs must follow the process for registration outlined below for non-designated livestock products.

Establishment producing non-designated livestock such as processed meat and eggs, and dairy products (Category 2)

MFDS has advised that new establishments seeking to export non-designated livestock products must submit a formal registration application through the department. Establishment registration applications must contain the following documents:

- application for registration of foreign establishment (**Attachment 3**)
Note: the application form requires all exporters to agree to permit MFDS to visit and inspect their establishment.
- documentation which verifies regular management and supervision of the establishment by the department (i.e. copy of audit report/s) OR an inspection checklist completed by the department according to inspection standards notified by the Minister of MFDS
- certificate of registration to export (includes the establishment number) issued by the department.
- copy of Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) document including the work process chart indicating critical control points.

Completed applications should be directed to the department's Dairy Egg and Fish Program for submission to Korea (contact dairyeggfish@agriculture.gov.au).

MFDS has advised that, as part of the approval process, establishments may be subject to an on-site audit by Korean authorities; however, any audits will be coordinated through the department.

Certification for certain non-designated livestock products

Egg and egg products

The department is currently in negotiation with MFDS to develop mutually agreed export certificates for whole eggs and processed egg products.

The department encourages prospective exporters of egg and egg products to Korea to submit registration applications to Korea, as current advice indicates that registration may be a lengthy process. Concurrently, the department will be working to achieve mutually agreed export certification and access for processed egg products.

Dairy and dairy products

Revised export certification for dairy and dairy products is currently being negotiated; however, exporters may use currently agreed export certificates until new certification is finalised (refer to the Manual of Importing Country Requirements (MICoR) for information on the current certification). The department will provide further information as it becomes available.

The information provided above is current at the time of writing and is intended for use as guidance only and should not be taken as definitive or exhaustive. The Commonwealth endeavours to keep information current and accurate, however, it may be subject to change without notice. Exporters are encouraged to

verify these details with their importers prior to undertaking production/exports. The Commonwealth will not accept liability for any loss resulting from reliance on information contained in this notice.

The Act provides the following definitions for livestock products (designated and non-designated livestock products):

1. Designated livestock products (Category 1)

The following products derived from livestock species (cattle, horses, donkeys, mules, sheep (including goats), swine, deer, chickens, ducks, turkeys, geese, dogs, rabbits, honeybees and other animals prescribed under presidential decree) are considered designated livestock products;

- a. animals and their carcasses;
- b. products taken from animals, such as bones, flesh, skin, eggs, hair, hooves and horns, and their containers and packaging.

2. Non-designated livestock products (Category 2)

These products are derived from livestock; however, are not required to be designated for quarantine. Examples of these products include processed meats (sausages, meat extracts, dried meat, etc.) packaged meat and hams, edible tallow, dairy products (milk, cheese, butter, cream etc.) and processed egg products.

Establishments where this advice does NOT apply

This advice does not apply to:

- establishments that are only involved in export of product NOT for human consumption

List of livestock products eligible to be exported to Korea**Designated livestock products**

Unofficial translation of designated livestock products allowed for export (list provided by MFDS)

Edible Meat
Products with historical trade to Korea
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • poultry meat • beef meat • pork meat • goat meat • sheep meat • deer meat
Eggs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • whole eggs* (not including any processed egg products)

* The department is seeking clarification from MFDS to confirm that Australian eggs sourced from any avian species are eligible for export.

Non-designated livestock products

Unofficial translation of non-designated livestock products allowed for export (list provided by MFDS)

Dairy Products	
Products allowed for export	Products not allowed for export
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • processed cheese ('processed cheese' includes hard processed cheese, semi-hard processed cheese, combined processed cheese, and soft processed cheese) • condensed/concentrated milk (including concentrated milk, sweetened condense milk, sweetened condensed skim milk, processed condensed milk) • fermented milk ('fermented milk' includes fermented milk, thickened fermented milk, creamy fermented milk, thickened creamy fermented milk, fermented butter milk and fermented milk powder) <i>Note: yoghurt is included in this category</i> • butter (including butter, processed butter and butter oil) • buttermilk (including butter milk and powdered buttermilk) • powdered milk/milk powder ('powdered milk' includes whole milk powder, skim milk powder, sweetened milk powder, and mixed-milk powder) • ice cream ('ice cream' includes ice cream, ice milk, sherbet, low-fat ice cream and non-milk fat ice cream) • ice cream powder ('ice cream powder' includes ice cream powder, ice milk powder, sherbet powder, non-milk fat ice cream powder) • milk ('milk' includes milk, fortified milk, restored milk, and lactic acid bacteria-added milk) • hydrolyzed milk protein products (including hydrolyzed milk protein, and hydrolyzed milk protein products) • lactose • whey ('whey' includes whey, concentrated whey, whey powder, and whey protein powder) • milk cream ('milk cream' includes milk cream, processed milk cream, and powdered milk cream) • natural cheese ('natural cheese' includes hard cheese semi-hard cheese, soft cheese and fresh cheese) • low fat milk ('low fat milk' includes low fat milk, fortified low fat milk, restored low fat milk, lactic acid bacteria-added low fat milk) • infant formula ('infant formula' includes powdered infant formula, liquid infant formula, powdered follow-up formula, liquid follow-up formula, other powdered formula, and other liquid formula) <p>(Natural cheese manufactured with unpasteurized raw milk and processed dairy products can be allowed for export to Korea, only when listed in 'Appendix 1' of the Processing Standards and Ingredient Specifications of Livestock Products.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • non-fat milk (including non-fat milk, restored non-fat milk, fortified non-fat milk, restored fortified non-fat milk and lactic acid bacteria-added non-fat milk)** • hydrolyzed lactose milk (including hydrolyzed lactose milk, low-fat hydrolyzed lactose milk and non-fat hydrolyzed milk) • processed milks (including processed milk, low-fat processed milk, skimmed processed milk, and milk beverages)** • goats milk • ice cream mixes (including ice cream mix, ice milk mix, sherbet mix, low-fat ice cream mix, non-milk fat ice cream mix)**
Processed Egg Products	
Products allowed for export	Products not allowed for export
Nil*	All processed egg products (e.g. whole egg liquid, liquid yolk, liquid white, whole egg powder, yolk powder, egg white powder, heat-formed egg products, salted egg, and pidan).

Meat Products	
Products allowed for export	Products not allowed for export
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • processed rib products • dry stored meat • bacons • ground meat products • sausages ('sausages' includes sausage, fermented sausage, and mixed sausage) • edible tallow • meat extract products ('meat extract products' includes simple meat extracted products, meat extracted products and meat extracted and processed products) • seasoned meat ('seasoned meat' includes seasoned meat, heated seasoned meat, and natural casing) • hams ('ham' includes ham, raw ham, pressed ham, and mixed pressed ham) <p>(Processed meat products originated from beef, goat/sheep meat and deer meat are permitted for export to Korea only from countries or regions are allowed to export beef, goat/sheep meat and deer meat to Korea.)</p>	

As no trade records have been identified for Australian processed egg products exported to Korea, processed egg products are not permitted to be exported to Korea. **Exporters are encouraged to contact the department at exports@agriculture.gov.au should there be historical trade in any of these products.**

**The department understands that there is history of trade in non-fat milk, processed milk and ice-cream mix products and is currently working with MFDS to ensure these products are approved for export to Korea.