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Food Safety Agency**

**Veterinary Requirements
to Importing animal-origin feed and including feed additives obtained from
birds and fish to the Azerbaijan Republic**

It is allowed to import to Azerbaijan Republic the animal-origin feed and feed additives obtained from birds and fish manufactured at enterprises having an authorization of the central state veterinary service of the exporting country on delivery of products to export and being under its permanent control. Animal-origin feed and feed additives obtained from birds and fish should be obtained from raw materials of animals and birds originating from farms and administrative territories of free from contagious animal (avian) diseases, including:

- spongiform encephalopathy of bovine animals and ovine scrapie - in accordance with the requirements of the OIE's "Terrestrial Animal Health Code" – in the country;

- African swine fever, African horse sickness, pestis camelorum and rinderpest - during the last 3 years in the country's territory;

- classical swine fever, foot and mouth disease, sheep pox and goat pox, contagious pleuropneumonia of bovine animals - during the last 12 months in the administrative territory;

- Anthrax, brucellosis, leptospirosis, Aujeszky's disease, anaerobic infections - during the last 3 months on a farm's territory.

In accordance with the requirements of the OIE's "Terrestrial Animal Health Code" the beef, mutton, by-products or other raw materials obtained from countries that are unhealthy for bovine spongiform encephalopathy and ovine scrapie are not used for production of animal-origin feed and feed additives obtained from birds and fish.

Raw materials for preparation of animal-origin feed and feed additives obtained from birds and fish should be derived from animals that have not been fed with genetically modified sources.

Raw materials for the preparation of animal-origin feed and feed additives obtained from birds and fish should be of slaughtering origin and subject to the post-mortem veterinary and sanitary examination carried out by the state veterinary service of the exporting country.

Raw materials should be processed at a temperature not below than 133 degrees Celsius (271.4 degrees Fahrenheit), no less than 20 minutes at 3 bar pressure (42.824 pounds per square centimeter), or processed according to the alternative heat treatment system approved by the State Veterinary Service of the exporting country

and providing relevant guarantees with respect to the established microbiological standard.

Animal-origin feed and feed additives obtained from birds and fish should not contain salmonella, botulinum toxin entero-pathogenic and anaerobic microflora. Total bacterial contamination should not exceed 500 thousand m. c. in 1 g. that should be confirmed by laboratory research data, with relevant recording in the veterinary certificate.

Tare and packing materials should be disposable and meet to the hygienic requirements.

Means of transportation are treated and prepared according to the usual regulations of the exporting country.

Fulfillment of the conditions specified in these requirements should be fully confirmed by the following:

1. By the veterinary certificate signed by the veterinarian of the exporting country indicating the health status of the administrative territory (country, state, province, etc.) regarding the above infectious diseases.

2. By the quality certification issued by the exporting country's competent supervisory authority (Inspectorate, Laboratory, etc.) confirming that heavy metals, mycotoxins, pesticides and also total beta activity are not higher than the units presented.

Certificates should be provided in the language of the exporting country and in English.

Delivery of the consignments is implemented after the carrying out of studies of product samples and obtaining a registration certificate from the Food Safety Agency of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

Shipment of animal-origin feed and feed additives obtained from birds and fish to the Azerbaijan Republic is possible only after the obtaining a permission by the importer from the Food Safety Agency of the Azerbaijan Republic.

Food Safety Agency of the Republic of Azerbaijan reserves the right to carry out attestation by its veterinary specialists on the possibility of supplying their products to the Republic of Azerbaijan.