

Attachment 18-3: Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Frozen/Chilled Uneviscerated Fish Products (Draft amendments)

(In case of any discrepancy between the Chinese text and the English translation thereof, the Chinese text shall govern.)

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1. The quarantine requirements regulate the importation of frozen/chilled uneviscerated fish products.
The species subject to animal quarantine and the scopes of the designated transmissible animal diseases are listed in the Annex.
2. Terms used in the quarantine requirements are defined as follows:
 - 2.1 Internal organs: Organs in the fish abdominal cavity, including heart, liver, gallbladder, pancreas, stomach, spleen, kidney, swim bladder, intestine and gonads, but excluding brain and gills.
 - 2.2 Eviscerated: Organs in the fish abdominal cavity that have been removed by specific procedures with no obvious, visible viscera preservation.
3. The quarantine requirements stipulate sampling, test and surveillance, using relevant provisions of the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) “Manual of Diagnostic Tests for Aquatic Animals” (hereinafter the Aquatic Manual). For infectious animal diseases with no sampling, test or surveillance methods prescribed in the Aquatic Manual, other methods that are published in international scientific journals may be applied.
4. The importation of frozen/chilled uneviscerated fish products in the Annex shall comply with the following regulations:
 - 4.1 Within a period of three months prior to the exportation of fish products, there shall be no incidents of high mortality occurring in that specific species of fish which are caused by infectious diseases or unknown etiology in the waters or aquaculture facility of origin.
 - 4.2 The waters or aquaculture facility of origin is subject to an official health surveillance scheme conducted by a laboratory designated by the exporting country’s government for the pertinent infectious animal diseases of concern listed in the Annex, and the surveillance results reveal that pertinent infectious animal diseases have not occurred for at least 2 years in the waters or aquaculture facility of origin; or fish products from the waters or aquaculture facility of origin, testing has been conducted by a laboratory designated by the exporting country’s

government for the pertinent infectious animal diseases of concern listed in the annex with negative results within 30 days prior to export.

5. The package, transportation and disinfection of importing frozen/chilled unviscerated fish products shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Aquatic Code.
6. Each consignment shall be accompanied by an original health certificate issued by the competent authority of the exporting country. The certificate shall state the following information in English or Chinese:
 - 6.1 Type and origin of the fish products:
 - 6.1.1 Type: Scientific names;
 - 6.1.2 Name of the waters of origin or name and address of the aquaculture facility of origin (including province or region)
 - 6.1.3 Quantity (in thousands) or total weight (in kilograms);
 - 6.1.4 The exporting country;
 - 6.1.5 Name and address of the exporter; and
 - 6.1.6 Name of the competent authority of the exporting country.
 - 6.2 Destination:
 - 6.2.1 Country of destination
 - 6.2.2 Name and address of the importer
 - 6.3 Result of the quarantine:
 - 6.3.1 Statements attesting that the products fulfill the requirements stipulated in Article 4.
 - 6.3.2 If the waters or aquaculture facility of origin complies with Article 4.2, names of the infectious animal diseases under official surveillance or names of the tested infectious animal diseases, the sample collection date, number of collected samples, name of the testing laboratory, methods and results of the tests in accordance with Article 1 shall be specified.
 - 6.4 Date and place of issuance, name and official stamp of the issuing authority, and printed name and signature of the issuing officer.

Annex: Species and pertinent diseases of concern for the importation of the frozen/chilled unviscerated products subject to quarantine inspection

No.	Scientific name of species	Pertinent diseases of concern
1	<i>Aristichthys nobilis</i>	Spring viraemia of carp
2	<i>Bidyanus bidyanus</i>	Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis
3	<i>Carassius carassius</i>	Spring viraemia of carp
4	<i>Coregonus spp.</i>	Viral hemorrhagic septicaemia
5	<i>Ctenopharyngodon idellus</i>	Spring viraemia of carp
6	<i>Cyprinus carpio</i>	Koi herpesvirus disease
		Spring viraemia of carp
7	<i>Hypophthalmichthys molitrix</i>	Spring viraemia of carp
8	<i>Leuciscus idus</i>	Spring viraemia of carp
9	<i>Macquaria australasica</i>	Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis
10	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis
		Infectious haematopoietic necrosis
		Viral hemorrhagic septicaemia
11	<i>Oncorhynchus spp.</i>	Viral hemorrhagic septicaemia
12	<i>Perca fluviatilis</i>	Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis
13	<i>Salmo trutta</i>	Viral hemorrhagic septicaemia
14	<i>Salmo salar</i>	Infectious haematopoietic necrosis
15	<i>Thymallus thymallus</i>	Viral hemorrhagic septicaemia
16	<i>Tinca tinca</i>	Spring viraemia of carp