

ANIMAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR POULTRY MEAT ETC. TO BE EXPORTED TO JAPAN FROM COLOMBIA

(Scope)

This animal health requirements applies to poultry meat and poultry meat products to be exported to Japan from Colombia (herein after referred to as "the exported poultry meat etc.").

(Definitions)

“Poultry”

Chicken, quail, pheasant, emu, ostrich, guinea fowl, turkey and birds classified into order Anseriformes (such as duck and goose)

“Poultry meat etc.”

Meat and viscera derived from poultry and meat products made from the said meat and viscera (not including meat-and-bone meal etc.)

“Notifiable Avian influenza (NAI)”

Infection of poultry caused by either :

any influenza A virus of H5 or H7 subtypes,

or

any influenza A virus with high pathogenicity as defined in the WOAHP Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals.

“Outbreak”

Appearance of specific clinical signs, detection of specific antigens, antibodies (for NAI only), or identification of the pathogens of the disease in domestic poultry

“Country of origin”

Country or region where live poultry and raw materials of the poultry meat etc. to be exported to Japan were produced.

Country of origin must be on the list of the countries and regions which are recognized as free from Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) and Low Pathogenic Avian Influenza (LPAI) by the competent authority of Japan (hereinafter referred to as “the third free countries”). Please refer to the latest list of the third free countries from the following URL:

<http://www.maff.go.jp/aqs/english/news/third-free.html>

“The Japanese animal health authorities”

Animal Health Division, Food Safety and Consumer Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of the Japanese government

“The competent authority of Colombia”

Colombian Agricultural Institute, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Colombian Government

National Institute for Surveillance of Medicines and Food – INVIMA, Ministry of Health and Social Protection

I. General conditions

In Colombia,

- 1) NAI and Newcastle disease are designated as notifiable diseases. These diseases are brought to the attention of the competent authority of Colombia as soon as detected or suspected of outbreak, in accordance with the Colombian regulation.
- 2) In a NAI outbreak, the competent authority of Colombia must immediately suspend the export of poultry meat etc. to Japan and officially notify the Japanese animal health authorities of the outbreak.
- 3) The surveillance program for NAI based on the WOA code is implemented by the competent authority of Colombia.

II. Conditions for origin of poultry

- 1) Colombia has been free from NAI for at least 28 days before the shipment of the exported poultry meat etc.
- 2) The exported poultry meat etc. must be derived from poultry which are originated from the area (at least 50 km centered on the premises of origin) free from Newcastle Disease for at least 90 days before the shipment of the poultry to slaughterhouses or since the hatching of the poultry.
- 3) There have been no clinical cases of Fowl Cholera and outbreak of other important poultry diseases, designated by the competent authority of Colombia as notifiable diseases, in the premises of origin of the poultry, from which the exported poultry meat etc. originates for at least 90 days before the shipment of the poultry to slaughterhouses or since the hatching of the poultry.
- 4) Vaccination against NAI is prohibited in Colombia.

III. Conditions for the production facility of the exported poultry meat etc.

- 1) Slaughterhouses and meat-processing facilities for dealing with the exported poultry meat etc. must have been approved by the competent authority of Colombia (hereinafter referred to as "the approved facilities").
- 2) At the approved facilities, sanitary inspections are performed routinely by the government inspector or the animal health inspector appointed by the competent authority of Colombia in order to assure that sanitary measures are taken appropriately.
- 3) The competent authority of Colombia must inform the Japanese animal health authorities of the name, address and establishment number of the approved facilities in advance of the shipment of the exported poultry meat etc.
- 4) The Japanese animal health authorities may carry out on-site inspections of the establishments, when necessary. If the Japanese animal health authorities recognize that the inspected facility does not meet the animal health requirements stipulated in

this document, the shipment of the exported poultry meat etc. from the said facilities may be suspended.

IV. Conditions for processing

- 1) The exported poultry meat etc. has to be found free from any poultry infectious diseases as a consequence of the ante- and post-mortem meat inspections conducted by the competent authority of Colombia.
- 2) The packaging of the exported poultry meat etc. must be made from sanitized or new materials and must have both name and number of the approved facility on its outside.

V. Condition for storage

The exported poultry meat etc. must be stored in a safe and sanitary condition from an animal health point of view, until the shipment to Japan.

VI. Conditions for transportation

- 1) The exported poultry meat etc. is transported directly to Japan.
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- 2) When the exported poultry meat etc. is transported to Japan through the third countries, hermetic containers must be sealed by the competent authority of Colombia.

VII. Certification by the competent authority of Colombia

The competent authority of Colombia is responsible for issuing an inspection certificate for the exported poultry meat etc., which certifies the conditions stated below:

- 1) II., III. 1) 2), IV. 1), and V. of the requirements ;
- 2) Country of origin ;
- 3) Name, address and establishment number of approved facilities;
- 4) Date of slaughter and processing ;
- 5) Name of the port of shipment ;
- 6) Date and place of issuance of the inspection certificate, and name and title of the signer ;
- 7) Seal number (if sealed).

In case Colombia is not the country of origin of the exported poultry meat etc., an original or a copy of inspection certificate issued by the competent authorities of the country of origin satisfying all the conditions stated above* must be attached to the inspection certificate issued by the competent authority of Colombia.

*The period specified in item II. 1) must be aligned with the Animal Health Requirements [available at <https://www.maff.go.jp/aqs/hou/require/chicken-meet.html>] between Japan and the country of origin of the exported poultry meat etc.