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(Definitions)

“Poultry”

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

“Poultry meat etc.”

means meat, bone, fat, blood, skin, tendon and viscera of poultry and their products.

“Notifiable Avian Influenza (hereinafter referred to as NAI)”

Infection of poultry caused by either:

i) any influenza A virus of H5 or H7 subtype;

or

ii) any influenza A virus other than H5 and H7 subtypes defined as highly pathogenic according to the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code.

“Fowl cholera”

means infection of poultry caused by a bacterium, *Pasteurella multocida* with acute septicemia.

“Outbreak”

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

“Country of origin”

means country or region where raw materials of the poultry meat etc. to be exported to Japan from Ukraine 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 authority”
means Animal Health Division, Food Safety and Consumer Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of the Japanese Government.

“The competent authority of Ukraine”
means State Service of Ukraine on Food Safety and Consumer Protection.

1. General requirements for animal health

In Ukraine,

(1) NAI and Newcastle Disease are notifiable diseases. These diseases must be brought to the attention of the competent authority of Ukraine immediately after an outbreak is detected in accordance with national regulation.

(2) If an outbreak of NAI is detected, the competent authority of Ukraine must immediately suspend the export of poultry meat etc. to Japan and officially notify the Japanese animal health authority of the outbreak.

(3) The surveillance program for NAI based on the OIE Code is implemented by the competent authority of Ukraine.

(4) The vaccination against NAI is prohibited.

2. Requirements regarding origin of poultry

(1) Ukraine has been free from NAI for at least 90 days before the day of shipment of poultry meat etc. to be exported to Japan.

(2) The poultry used for the production of poultry meat etc. to be exported to Japan must be kept and raised in an area (at least in the radius of 50 km from the premises of origin) where there has been free from Newcastle Disease for at least 90 days before slaughter or since the hatching of the poultry.

(3) The premises of origin of the poultry, from which the exported poultry meat originates, have been free from Fowl Cholera and other serious/important poultry infectious diseases designated by the competent authority of Ukraine for at least 90 days before slaughter or since the hatching of the poultry.

3. Requirements regarding the establishments for production

(1) The establishments for production (including slaughtering, processing and storage facilities. Hereinafter referred to as "the establishments") of the poultry meat etc. to be exported to Japan must be authorized by the competent authority of Ukraine as the ones where sanitary inspections are conducted periodically by the government veterinary inspector or the animal health inspector appointed by the competent authority of Ukraine (hereinafter referred to as “the inspector”).

(2) The competent authority of Ukraine must notify the Japanese animal health authority of the name, address and registration number of the establishments in advance.
(3) The Japanese animal health authority may conduct on-site inspections of the establishments, if it is necessary. When the Japanese animal health authority recognizes that the inspected establishment does not meet the requirements stipulated in this document, the shipment of the poultry meat etc. to be exported to Japan from the said establishment may be suspended.

4. Requirements for processing

(1) The poultry used for the production of poultry meat etc. to be exported to Japan must be confirmed free from any poultry infectious diseases as a consequence of ante- and post-mortem inspections conducted by the inspector.
(2) The poultry meat etc. to be exported to Japan must be handled and stored in such a way as to prevent contamination with pathogens of any animal infectious disease prior to shipment to Japan.
(3) The poultry meat etc. to be exported to Japan must be packed in safe and hygienic materials and the packed meat etc. must be contained in clean container boxes.

5. Requirements for transportation

(1) The poultry meat etc. to be exported to Japan must be transported directly to Japan, or
(2) The poultry meat etc. to be exported to Japan must be transported to Japan through the third countries in a hermetic container sealed by the competent authority of Ukraine with a seal that can be obviously differentiated from that of the third countries.

6. Inspection Certificate

The competent authority of Ukraine must issue inspection certificate for all the poultry meat etc. to be exported to Japan, stating the following items in detail in English:
(1) Statements regarding 1-(1), 1-(3), 1-(4), 2, 3-(1), 4-(1), 4-(2);
(2) Country of origin.
(3) Name, address and registration number of the slaughterhouse, processing plant and storage facility.
(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 official title of the signer
(7) Seal number (if sealed)

In case Ukraine is not the country of origin of the poultry meat etc. to be exported to Japan, an original or a copy of inspection certificate satisfying all the conditions

mentioned above, issued by the government authority of the country of origin, must be attached to the inspection certificate issued by the competent authority of Ukraine.