



## MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND MINING

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### VETERINARY SERVICES DIVISION

#### General information for the Importation of Fishery Products and Fishery by-products

All live animals, products and by-products of animal origin, including fish, fish products and by-products, require a Veterinary Import Permit under the law. [The Animals (Diseases and Importation) Act 1948]

#### Importation of fishery products originating from the United States of America (USA)

ALL veterinary import permit applications for fish and fish products will be placed on hold pending the submission of the following (The following does not apply to canned goods):

- a. A copy of the invoice related to the shipment
- b. Evidence indicating the FDA approval no. of the facility

#### Importation of fishery products legally trans-shipped through the USA originating from other countries

ALL veterinary import permit applications for fish and fish products will be placed on hold pending the submission of the following.

- a. A copy of health certification for products intended for import from the country of origin.
- b. A copy of the invoice related to each shipment

#### ***Other supporting documents accepted include:***

Documents certified by the competent government authority indicating that the processing facility is an EU and or FDA approved facility

A copy of the zoo-sanitary (health certificate) issued by the United States Department of Commerce in relation to the consignment

#### Importation fishery products originating form Suriname, Guyana and Belize

An annual declaration from the competent government authority indicating the country and establishment of origin, as well as verification that the facility is an EU and or FDA approved facility



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### Other approved countries for the Direct import of fishery products

Canada

Chile

England

Faroe Islands

Norway

Ireland

Spain

### Other approved countries for the DIRECT IMPORT of fishery products from approved processing facilities ONLY

Importation of fish and fishery products will only be allowed from the listed countries below from processing facilities that have undergone either Risk Evaluation or were inspected or audited by the Veterinary Services Division.

During the process of application, Importers are required to include the name and the address of the processing facility in the exporting country in the 'Exporter Information' section of the online MOATRADE system. The details of intermediaries including Traders, Brokers or dealers should NOT be inputted under the 'Exporter Information'. Importers are also required to include the approval no.s of the approved facilities (in-country approval no.s or EU approval nos.) in the 'Description Box' under the item details of the Veterinary Import Permit Application form.

China

Indonesia

India

Philippines

Vietnam



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### Approved countries for the DIRECT IMPORT of canned fishery products

Canada

Chile

China (approved facilities only)

Costa Rica

Peru

Poland

Thailand

USA

**For ALL other countries NOT listed, approval is subject to risk assessment/analysis which can include an in-country audit.**

**Fishery products treated with Carbon Monoxide (CO) will not be approved for import.**

For further information, please contact:

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