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Export Certificates Report

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Report Highlights:

This report covers only the export certificates required by the Czech Republic that differ from EU export certificate requirements.

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The Czech Republic has fully implemented all EU regulations regarding export certificates. For information on export certificates relevant to the EU, please see GAINS report E35010.

Certificates must be in the official language of the country of entry and country of destination (e.g. if products are shipped through Germany, certificates must be in German and in Czech; however, the State Veterinary Administration accepts certificates in English).

Certificates for import of animals and products of animal origin harmonized with the EU, in both Czech and English, can be found at the webpage of the State Veterinary Administration:

http://www.svscr.cz/dokumenty/eu/dovoz/dovoz_en.html

There are few products that not harmonized within the EU. For non-harmonized veterinary products a Czech importer must contact the State Veterinary Administration to obtain a list of conditions for import. These non-harmonized animals and products of animal origin include: aquaculture products, honey, zoo animals, non-domesticated horses, poultry up to 20 pieces, poultry for exhibitions, foxes, pets besides dogs and cats, insects, colostrums, live pathogens, and composite products.

The original certificate must accompany the product at the time of entry. The certificate is usually valid for 10 days, however its validity is extended to cover the entire shipping period. A certificate cannot be used for multiple shipments and always has to be confirmed by a veterinary official, not by a supplier or a manufacturer. The Czech Republic will accept a U.S. state issued export certificate, but it must have the same format as the sample (see webpage listed above for further information).

Regarding phytosanitary issues, each country has its own export certificate. Conditions for import of phytosanitary products can be found in the Phytosanitary Act 326/2004 and Decree 330/2004 with amendments. There is a fee for each certificate depending on the volume that starts at 735 CZK (\$33.4). Some products from the U.S. (basel and fruit – as listed in attachment 4 of decree 330/2004) require the Additional Declaration form. The Czech importer should ask for details at the State Phytosanitary Administration (contact information is listed at the end of this report).

These legal documents can be found at the State Phytosanitary webpage:

<http://www.srs.cz/>

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL IMPORT REGULATIONS AND STANDARD (FAIRS)

Product	Official Journal Reference	Model from the Official Journal	U.S. Issuing Agency	U.S. Agency Form	Title	Comments
PLANTS AND PLANT PRODUCTS						
Fresh fruits and vegetables, standards according annex I 2200/96, including hazelnuts in shell, walnuts in shell, cultivated mushrooms	1148/2001, L156/15 2200/96	Annex I	None	-	Certificate of conformity with the community marketing standards for fresh fruit and vegetables	
	1148/2001, L156/17	Annex II	None	-	Certificate of industrial use referred to in Article 8(2) for fresh fruit and vegetables subject to community marketing standards	

Responsible Authorities for Health Certificates:

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