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**Report Highlights:**

The report lists major certificates and permits required to export food and agricultural products from the United States to Angola. It is recommended that this report be read with the FAIRS – Narrative Report for a comprehensive understanding of the Angola regulations, standards and import requirements.

## **ANGOLA: FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL IMPORT REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS (FAIRS) CERTIFICATION**

This report was prepared by the USDA - Foreign Agricultural Services in Luanda, Angola for U.S. exporters of domestic food and agricultural products. While every possible care was taken in the preparation of this report, information provided may not be completely accurate either because policies have changed since its preparation, or because clear and consistent information about these policies was not available. It is highly recommended that U.S. exporters verify the full set of import requirements with their customers, who are normally best equipped to research such matters with local authorities, before any products are shipped.

**FINAL IMPORT APPROVAL OF ANY PRODUCT IS SUBJECT TO THE IMPORTING COUNTRY'S RULES AND REGULATIONS AS INTERPRETED BY BORDER OFFICIALS AT THE TIME OF PRODUCT ENTRY.**

## **SECTION I: INTRODUCTION**

Angolan import permits are country and commodity-specific. It is recommended that exporters contact the listed Angolan certifying authority on the contact details provided in **Table 5** to obtain the United States and commodity-specific conditions for each permit.

### **Animals and Animal Products**

In Angola the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, through the Veterinary Services Institute (ISV), is responsible for issuing the import permit and veterinary health certificate for importing animal and animal products to Angola.

The law on Animal Health No. 4/04 of August 13, 2004, establishes the general norms that govern the production, sanity, traffic, import and export of animals, their products and by-products and veterinary public health throughout Angola.

Decree No. 70/08 of August 11, 2008, regulates the Animal Health Law. The decree establishes the detailed aspects that the Animal Health Law does not specify. It defines the ISV as the body directly responsible for the application of sanitary measures under the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry. The ISV is responsible for the issuance of several certificates, namely: the Hygiene and Sanitary Certificate; the Livestock Exploitation License; the Sanitary license to import products and by-products of animal origin; and, the Zoosanitary License to import pets.

Note: FAS Luanda can share the physical document if requested.

### **Plant and Plant Products**

The National Directorate of Agriculture (DNA) within the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry is responsible for issuing import permits. To request the import permit, it is necessary send a letter to the DNA National Director, with photocopies of the commercial invoice, the commercial license, and the phytosanitary certificate from the country of origin. DNA accepts a health certificate that meets FAO standards.

### **Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs)**

At present, Angola does not allow the use of agricultural biotechnology in production, and imports containing genetically engineered components are limited to food aid. In December 2014, the Council of Ministers approved Decree No. 92/04 as a provisional measure pending the establishment of a comprehensive National Biosafety System capable of properly controlling the importation, entry, use, and eventual production of Genetically Engineered (GE) organisms in the country.

Note: FAS Luanda can share the physical documents if requested.

## SECTION II: LIST, SPECIFIC ATTESTATION AND PURPOSE OF ALL THE REQUIRED EXPORT CERTIFICATES

**Table 1: List of Required Export Certificates for Animals and Animal Products**

<b>Product</b>	<b>Title of Certificate</b>	<b>Attestation Required on Certificate</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Requesting Ministry</b>
Other Animals and animal products	Veterinary Health Certificate	<p>Country of origin of consignment.</p> <p>Country/Zone is free from prescribed or notifiable diseases e.g. BSE, Foot and Mouth, Anthrax etc.</p> <p>The prescribed inspections, isolations, treatments and tests that have been carried out as prescribed.</p> <p>Prescribed bedding, fodder, feedstuffs, transportation and supervision by official veterinary authority.</p>	<p>The certificate confirms that the prescribed regulations and conditions have been met.</p> <p>Prevent the introduction of animal diseases into Angola territory, as well as to protect human health.</p>	ISV accepts a health certificate issued by APHIS.
Animals and animal products	Import Permit	<p>Official permit granting authority to import the specified animal or animal products subject to the prescribed conditions and a valid Health Certificate.</p> <p>Quantity to be imported.</p> <p>Port of Entry likely to be utilized.</p>	The permit serves as the official authorization and confirmation to import. The importer in Angola is responsible for obtaining the import permit.	ISV

**Source:** Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.

**Table 2: List of Required Export Certificates for Plant and Plant Products.**

<b>Product</b>	<b>Title of Certificate</b>	<b>Attestation Required on Certificate</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Requesting Ministry</b>
Plant and Plant Products	Phytosanitary Permit	<p>Inspected according to appropriate procedures.</p> <p>To be free from quarantine pests and practically free from other harmful organisms.</p> <p>To be in compliance with the current Angolan phytosanitary regulations.</p>	<p>To prevent the introduction or spread of quarantine pests or to limit the economic impact of regulated non-quarantine pests.</p> <p>Quality control.</p>	DNA accepts a health certificate with FAO standards.
Plant and Plant Products	Import Permit	Official document authorizing importation of a commodity in accordance with specified phytosanitary measures and other import requirements.	The permit serves as the official authorization and confirmation to import. The importer in Angola is responsible for obtaining the import permit.	DNA

**Source:** Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.

### SECTION III: GOVERNMENT EXPORT CERTIFICATE`S LEGAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

The tables below include some common questions with information about the procedures for obtaining import permits. The Angolan importer is responsible for obtaining the import permit.

**Table 3: Animals and Animal Products: Import Permit**

Question	Answer	Comment
Does the original certificate need to accompany the product at the time of entry?	Yes	Previously, sometimes document copies have been accepted
How long is the certificate valid?	60 days	From date of issuance
Can certificate be applied to multiple shipments?	No	
Will the country accept a Suppliers or Manufacturers Export Declaration as proof of compliance?	No	
Will the foreign country accept a U.S. State issued export certificate?	No	Only issued by ISV
Will the country derogate export certificates?	Yes	All import permits can only be issued by the Angola government. Contact details for applications are included in <b>Table 5</b> .

**Table 4: Plant and Plant Products: Import Permit**

Question	Answer	Comment
Does the original certificate need to accompany the product at the time of entry?	Yes	Previously, sometimes document copies have been accepted
How long is the certificate valid?	3 months	From date of issuance
Can certificate be applied to multiple shipments?	No	

Will the country accept a Suppliers' or Manufacturers' Export Declaration as proof of compliance?	No	
Will the foreign country accept a U.S. State issued export certificate?	No	Only issued by DNA
Will the country derogate export certificates?	Yes	All import permits can only be issued by the Angola government. Contact details for applications are included in <b>Table 5</b> .

#### SECTION IV: OTHER CERTIFICATION/ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS

##### Boarding Certificate

The Boarding Certificate is the document that allows the shipment of the goods from the country of origin. According to the regulation on the modalities for the management of sea freight distribution in and to Angola, ship-owners or maritime operators that are registered with the National Shippers Council (CNC) must oblige exporters to obtain shipment certificates at the origin whenever they hold cargoes to or from Angola.

#### SECTION V: CONTACT DETAILS OF THE RELEVANT CERTIFYING AUTHORITIES

**Table 5: Contact Details of the Certifying Authorities**

Product	Title of Certificate	Requesting Ministry
Animals and animal products	Import Permit	Veterinary Services Institute: Email: <a href="mailto:isvetangola@gmail.com">isvetangola@gmail.com</a>
Plant and Plant Products	Import permit	DNA: Tel: (+244) 222 321 429 Email: <a href="mailto:dnapfminader@yahoo.com">dnapfminader@yahoo.com</a>

**Source: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.**

**Attachments:** No Attachments