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Report Highlights:

This report lists major export certificates required by the Taiwan government to export food and agricultural products to Taiwan. For more information on import requirements, see the Taiwan Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards Report.

Executive Summary:

This report was prepared by the American Institute in Taiwan's Office of Agricultural Affairs in Taipei, Taiwan for U.S. exporters of food and agricultural products. This report gives an overview of Taiwan's certificate requirements for food and agricultural products. While this report strives to be as comprehensive as possible, regulations and requirements can frequently change. U.S. exporters are therefore encouraged to work closely with their Taiwan importers to ensure they are aware of and complying with all current Taiwan regulations and requirements.

Taiwan requires official U.S. government-issued export certificates for many products including meat, poultry, eggs, dairy, fresh fruit and vegetables, as well as seafood, livestock feed, and organic products, among others. In particular, beef products require special certification under an export verification program. Original certificates should accompany the product at the time of entry for all government-issued certificates.

Final import approval of any product is subject to rules and regulations as interpreted by Taiwan border officials at the time of product entry.

Section 1: List of Export Certificates Required by Taiwan

| Product | Title of Certificate | Attestation Required on Certificate | Purpose | Requesting Ministry |
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| Live animals | Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Export Health Certificate | Please refer to Taiwan's quarantine requirements for each live animal species. Also refer to APHIS website for information concerning live animal exports. | Animal health | Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine (BAPHIQ) |
| Eligible meat and processed meat products | 1. Food Safety Inspection Service (FSIS) form 9285-1 2. FSIS form 9060-5 3. FSIS Letterhead Certificate. | Please refer to FSIS Export Library for detailed list of required attestations. Special note for <u>beef and beef products</u> : starting January 1, 2021, Taiwan will no longer require U.S. beef products to be derived from cattle less than 30 months of age, so beef from cattle of any age raised in the United States for more than 100 days can be exported. The | Animal health and food safety | BAPHIQ, Taiwan Food and Drug Administration (TFDA) |

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| | | <p>other requirements and conditions remain unchanged, information can be found in USDA FSIS Export Library.</p> <p>Special note for <u>processed poultry products</u>: certificates must include both the slaughter and packing dates.</p> | | |
| Gelatin and Gelatin Derivatives for food use under harmonized system (HS) codes 3503.00.10.00-4, 3503.00.20.00-2 and 3503.00.90.90-8 ^a | FDA Health Certificate for Gelatin/Collagen Intended for Human Consumption, and Intended for Export from the United States of America | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attests that the product is fit for human consumption and complies with food safety and sanitary requirements. 2. Must include information on the parts or tissues of the raw materials used, for example 'bovine skin'. | Food safety | TFDA |
| Fresh fruit and vegetables | APHIS Phytosanitary Certificate | <p>Please refer to Taiwan's quarantine requirements for each commodity by quarantine pests.</p> <p>Also refer to APHIS website for information concerning export phytosanitary certification.</p> | Plant health | BAPHIQ |
| Dairy products under HS Codes 0401, 0402, 0403, 0404, 0405, 0406, and 9806 | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Animal health Quarantine requirement : APHIS form VS 16-4 required for animal disease 2. Food Safety requirement: AMS export certificate | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Detailed list of required attestations available on APHIS website. 2. Attests that the product is fit for human consumption and complies with food safety and sanitary requirements. | Animal health and food safety | BAPHIQ, TFDA |
| Fishery-Shellfish products under HS Code 0307 | Health certificate for exports of fishery products intended for | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attests that the product is fit for human consumption and complies with food safety and sanitary requirements. | Animal health (for live aquatic animals) | BAPHIQ (for live aquatic animals), TFDA |

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| | human consumption, issued by National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, or State governments | 2. Must include information on harvest area. Additional requirements for live aquatic animal exports: please refer to Taiwan's quarantine requirements for each live aquatic animal species, as well as APHIS website . | and food safety | |
| Organic products ^b | TM-11 | Certifies that the product is of U.S. origin and meets USDA National Organic Program standards. | Used to apply for permission to label products as organic. | Agriculture and Food Agency (AFA) |
| Feed | Export certificate for livestock feed products | Attestations depend on whether the feed includes animal products. See APHIS website for details. | Submitted to BAPHIQ for quarantine inspection. | BAPHIQ |
| Pet foods | Export certificate for dog/cat food and Pet Chews | Required attestations depend on the ingredients. See APHIS website for details. | Submitted to BAPHIQ for quarantine inspection. | BAPHIQ |
| Plants and plant products | APHIS Phytosanitary Certificate (BAPHIQ accepts only original phytosanitary certificates for imported plant commodities ^c) | Refer to Taiwan's quarantine requirements for each commodity by quarantine pests. Also refer to APHIS website for information concerning export phytosanitary certification. | Plant health | BAPHIQ |
| Bulk Edible Oil (over 150 liters) | FDA Certificate to a Foreign Government; or FDA Certificate of Free Sale if the product is intended for | Attests that the product is fit for human consumption and complies with food safety and sanitary requirements (not applicable to Certificate of Free Sale). | Food safety | TFDA |

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| | dietary supplement | | | |
| Table eggs in shell under HS Code 0407.21.00.00-4 | APHIS Export Certificate for Animal Products (VS Form 16-4); and AMS Shell Egg Grading Certificate (LPS-210S), duplicate originals for BAPHIQ and TFDA ^a | VS Form 16-4: includes attestations regarding highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI), low pathogenic avian influenza (LPAI), and Newcastle disease. LPS-210S: attests that the product is fit for human consumption and complies with food safety and sanitary requirements. | Animal health and food safety | BAPHIQ, TFDA |
| Processed egg products under HS Codes 3502.19.10.00-4, 0408.19.10.00-5, 0408.91.90.00-9 and 0408.99.10.00-8 ^a | FSIS Form 9060-5EP and FSIS Letterhead Certificate for Egg Products for Export to Taiwan | 1. Attests that the eggs came from a State where is free from HPAI and Newcastle disease, and where LPAI has not confirmed in the county for at least 90 days before slaughter. 2. Attests that the product is fit for human consumption and complies with food safety and sanitary requirements. | Animal health and food safety | BAPHIQ, TFDA |
| Processed egg products under HS Codes 3502.11.10.00-2, 3502.11.20.00-0, 3502.11.90.00-5, 3502.19.20.00-2, 3502.19.90.00-7, 0408.11.00.00-5, 0408.19.90.00-8 and 0408.91.10.00-6 ^a | FSIS Form 9060-5EP and FSIS Letterhead Certificate for Egg Products for Export to Taiwan | 1. Attests that the eggs came from a State where is free from HPAI and Newcastle disease, and where LPAI has not confirmed in the county for at least 90 days before slaughter. 2. Attests that the product is fit for human consumption and complies with food safety and sanitary requirements. | Animal health and food safety | TFDA |
| Preserved or cooked egg products under HS codes | APHIS Export Certificate for Animal Products (VS | VS Form 16-4: includes attestations regarding HPAI, LPAI and Newcastle disease. | Animal health and food safety | BAPHIQ, TFDA |

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| 0407.90.00.00-0 (in shell) and 0408.99.90.00-1 (others) | Form 16-4); and AMS Processed Egg and Egg Products Export Certificate (LPS-234), original for BAPHIQ and embossed copy for TFDA ^a | LPS-234: attests that the product is fit for human consumption and complies with food safety and sanitary requirements. | | |
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^a For detailed information please refer to [GAIN report TW2019-2980](#) “Taiwan FDA Will Require Health Certificates for Eggs and Gelatins.”

^b For detailed information please refer to [AMS organic certification-Taiwan](#).

^c Taiwan’s BAPHIQ accepts only original phytosanitary certificates for imported plant commodities. All phytosanitary certificates shall be issued and printed by the competent quarantine authorities in the United States.

One of the following phytosanitary certificate formats will be accepted by BAPHIQ as an original phytosanitary certificate:

1. A phytosanitary certificate printed on security paper with either digital signature or wet signature; or
2. A phytosanitary certificate printed on plain paper and personally signed by a USDA inspector; or
3. A phytosanitary certificate printed on plain paper with digital signature and official embossed seal of the competent quarantine authorities of the United States.

Section II: Purpose of Specific Export Certificates

(See “purpose” column above.)

Section III: Specific Attestations Required on Export Certificates

(See matrix above for attestations required.)

Section IV: Government Certificate Legal Entry Requirements

All original certificates are required to accompany the corresponding products at the port of entry, unless otherwise specified in the table above. Taiwan authorities generally only accept certificates

issued by the exporting country's competent government authority. Private industry issued certificates are not accepted. Any revision on the affidavit or text on the certificates must be either signed by an eligible endorsing official or reissued with a certificate including the new affidavit or new text as replacement.

Section V: Other Certification/Accreditation Requirements

Apart from export certificates, products imported into Taiwan must also meet several other requirements. Details of these requirements are contained in the FAIRS narrative report updated each year by this office. The most recent update is dated December 2021, in conjunction with this report. The report can be downloaded on the [FAS website](#).

Attachments:

No Attachments