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Report Name: Indonesia Issues a New Regulation on the Import of Dairy Products and New Foreign Dairy Import Facility Registration Questionnaire

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Report Highlights:

The Ministry of Agriculture issued Regulation Number 15 Year 2021 (15/2021) that includes provisions regarding the import of food products of animal origin. The Directorate General of Livestock and Animal Health Services (DGLAHS) subsequently issued a corresponding new questionnaire for foreign dairy establishments seeking approval to export to Indonesia. This report replaces report ID2021-0025.

Background:

The Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) issued Regulation Number 15 Year 2021 (15/2021) on April 1, 2021, which establishes business activities and products standards for risk-based business licensing administration, including the “Import Standards of Food Products of Animal Origin.”

FAS Jakarta received formal notification from the MOA’s Directorate General of Livestock and Animal Health Services (DGLAHS) regarding the issuance of a new questionnaire for dairy establishments. The new questionnaire adds new requirements for dairy establishments seeking to export to Indonesia and replaces the previous questionnaire that has been used since November 2011. A copy of the questionnaire is attached to this report. [about:blank](#)

All applications submitted to DGLAHS prior to April 2021 are not required to use the new questionnaires.

All U.S. dairy establishments seeking to export to Indonesia must be approved by the Ministry of Agriculture and submit their applications through the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS), Office of Agricultural Affairs, U.S. Embassy, Jakarta. FAS encourages all applicants to contact the FAS office in advance of completing a questionnaire.

Please send all enquiries to: agjakarta@usda.gov. The current list of approved foreign dairy establishments can be found [here](#).

Regulation of the Ministry of Agriculture Number 15 Year 2021

Omnibus regulation 15/2021 lists the requirements for dairy imports to the territory of the Republic of Indonesia. The requirements can be found in an annex that also covers other food products of animal origin, including honey, eggs, gelatin, collagen, tallow, swallow bird’s nest, and their products thereof.

Summary of Dairy Product Import Standards

1. Importers of dairy products, that include private and state-owned companies, cooperatives, social institutions, foreign country representatives, and international organization must obtain an import recommendation from the Ministry of Agriculture prior to obtaining an import permit from the Ministry of Trade.
2. To obtain a MOA import recommendation, an applicant must provide a halal certificate for the halal-required product items. The halal certificate must be issued by a halal certifying body, which is recognized by the Indonesian halal authority.
3. The MOA import recommendation:
 - a. shall be valid for six months, and the importer will use it to apply for an import permit from the Ministry of Trade anytime within a six-month period.
 - b. must include a recommendation number in the remarks section of the health certificate accompanying each shipment.
4. Dairy establishments of the country of origin:
 - a. must not source raw materials from countries and business units that have not been approved by the Ministry of Agriculture.

- b. must implement food safety assurance systems in accordance with international standards and issued a food safety assurance system certificate by an internationally recognized competent authority.
 - c. must be approved by the Ministry of Agriculture through an animal health and veterinary public health risk analysis.
5. Halal certified products must not be transported in a same container with the non-halal certified products.
 6. The list of dairy products eligible for export to Indonesia is included in the annex of Regulation 15/2021.

The New Dairy Establishment Questionnaire

1. The previous questionnaire consisted of four parts including an attestation section, while the new questionnaire has six parts and an attestation. The new questionnaire separates dairy product intended and not-intended for human consumption.
2. The DGLAHS requires the submission of hard and soft copies of the questionnaire. FAS Jakarta will submit the completed questionnaires on behalf of the applicant.
3. FAS Jakarta has prepared the “Guide for Dairy Establishment Approval” to assist applicants in preparing their applications. The guideline is attached to this report.

Summary of Dairy Establishment Questionnaire

The new questionnaire focuses on technical concerns in accordance with the WTO’s Sanitary and Phytosanitary Agreement, particularly food safety and animal health. The new questionnaire inquires about food safety and quality assurance for dairy products intended for human consumption and seeks quality assurance information for dairy products not intended for human consumption.

1. **GENERAL INFORMATION.** Consists of questions including:
 - a. The types of dairy products the establishment produces and intends to export to Indonesia;
 - b. Source of the raw ingredients, which originated domestically or imported. It is important to note that Indonesia requires raw ingredients used for dairy processing to come from establishments that are already approved by the Ministry of Agriculture;
 - c. Production volume of the last 3 years;
 - d. List of importing countries and the date a country approves the establishment to export, types of products exported, the first year of export and its volume, and dates and countries of the last six months of exports; and
 - e. Layout of the establishment.
2. **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF THE ESTABLISHMENT.** Similar to the previous questionnaire, all related to the establishment’s employees;
3. **LOCATION AND FACILITIES OF THE ESTABLISHMENT.** This section inquires about the location and facilities of the establishment:

- a. Location, access, and aerial picture of the establishment;
 - b. Sources of water and electricity;
 - c. Information on all available storage facilities, that include the temperature, relative humidity, and capacity of the storage;
 - d. Waste treatment/disposal;
 - e. Pest control traps and bait location; and
 - f. Facility for staff.
4. PRODUCTION PROCESSES seeks information on the production process flowchart with indication of critical points.
5. FOOD SAFETY AND QUALITY ASSURANCE FOR DAIRY PRODUCTS INTENDED FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION. This section requests food safety and quality assurance:
- a. The food safety assurance system implemented. Unlike the previous questionnaire, options provided include: HACCP, GMP/GHP, ISO 22000:2018 Food Safety Management System, Food Safety System Certification (FSSC) 22000, and other food safety assurance certification;
 - b. Availability of a food safety team at the establishment;
 - c. Criteria of rejected milk and products and how they will be treated/disposed;
 - d. Product recall and traceability;
 - e. Pest control program;
 - f. Tools calibration and laboratory tests; and
 - g. Halal assurance.
6. QUALITY ASSURANCE FOR DAIRY PRODUCTS NOT INTENDED FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION
- a. The food safety assurance system implemented. Unlike the previous questionnaire, options provided include: GMP and other food safety assurance certification;
 - b. Criteria of rejected milk and products and how they will be treated/disposed;
 - c. Product recall and traceability;
 - d. Pest control program;
 - e. Tools calibration and laboratory tests; and
 - f. Halal assurance.

Attachments:

[GUIDE FOR DAIRY ESTABLISHMENT APPROVAL 2021 FINAL.pdf](#)

[Ministry of Agriculture Regulation 15-2021 and Import Standard of Food Products of Animal Origin Annex.pdf](#)