

**Voluntary Report** – Voluntary - Public Distribution

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**Report Highlights:**

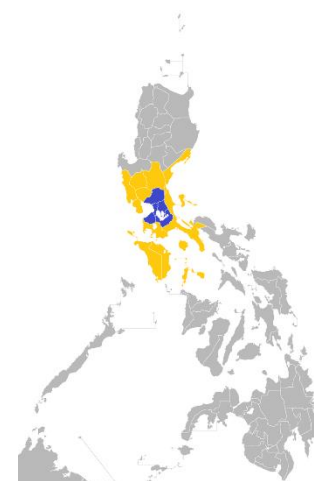
On June 26, 2021 the Philippine Department of Agriculture released the guidelines for implementing the increased tariff rate quota for pork imports, known as Minimum Access Volume (MAV). MAV Management Committee Resolution No. 1 supplements Executive Order 133 from May 10 by clarifying that 70 percent of the additional 200,000 MT of pork imports under MAV (i.e., MAV Plus) will be available for importers from July to October 2021. Applicants can avail of the remaining 30 percent (60,000 MT) from November 2021 to January 2022, with both tranches allocated on a first come, first served basis.

On June 26, 2021 the Department of Agriculture released Minimum Access Volume (MAV) Management Committee Resolution No. 1, establishing the guidelines for implementing the increased tariff rate quota volume for 2021 pork imports (HS code 0203). For details on the executive order that raised pork MAV from 54,210 MT to 254,210 MT, [see this GAIN report](#).

The guidelines specify that 70 percent of MAV Plus (140,000 MT) will be available from July to October 2021, with the remaining 30 percent (60,000 MT) from November 2021 to January 2022. Allocations will be provided to applicants on a first come, first served basis. The MAV Import Certificate (MAVIC) will have a validity of 90 days, provided that no MAVICs will be valid starting February 1, 2022. The MAV year is from February through January.

The DA also issued on June 26, 2021 a call for interested MAV Plus applicants for MAV year 2021. The application period will start on July 12, 2021. Documentary requirements for submission include:

- 1) Letter of intent for volume to be applied (Maximum of 500 MT)
- 2) Certified true copy of valid NMIS importer's accreditation
- 3) Bill of lading
- 4) Commercial invoice
- 5) Sworn Statement that the applied Pork MAV Plus will be sold or distributed in wet markets, KADIWA center, and supermarkets in Mega Manila. This includes the National Capital Region and surrounding provinces. (see blue and yellow areas on map, respectively)



Note: Existing 2021 MAV licensees should have utilized at least 80 percent of their current MAV allocations.

Source: Philippine Information Agency

The MMC notes that flexibilities shall be applied to facilitate the full utilization of the additional MAV volume. The resolution places a limit of 1,250 MT (or 50 containers) of MAV Plus per importer; 200,000 MT requires 160 unique importers under the current guidelines. In 2021, about 130 current importers and meat processors applied for the MAV beginning year pool.

[Administrative Order No. 9](#) (2013) contains the accreditation procedures for new meat importers.

#### Tariff Rates for HS Code 0203 during MAV Year 2021

	01 Feb-08 Apr	09 Apr-17 May	18 May-16 Aug	17 Aug-31 Jan
<b>In-Quota</b>	30	5	10	15
<b>Out-of-Quota</b>	40	15	20	25

Source: [Tariff Commission](#)

Note: Lower tariffs are set to remain until May 17, 2022 based on [EO 134](#).

**Attachments:**

[MMC Resolution No 1 Series of 2021.pdf](#)

[Call for Applicants 2021 MAV Plus.pdf](#)