

1. Procedure for exportation of meat and aquatic products

Step1. Consideration of application for exportation (made by the exporting country)

- The competent authority of the exporting country (region) shall submit an official application in writing to the Director of General Administration of Customs for the meat and aquatic products to be exported to China.
- In accordance with the general principles stipulated in the agreement on the implementation of sanitary and phytosanitary measures of the World Trade Organization, **the General Administration of Customs will then decide whether to start the entry procedure or not according to the epidemic situation of animals and plants and the food safety situation in the exporting countries (regions).**
- If the entry procedure is started, the risk assessment questionnaire of relevant products will be transmitted to competent authority of the exporting country (region).

Step 2. Conduct of risk assessment

- The General Administration of Customs would organize an expert group to conduct risk assessment on the questionnaire and relevant technical materials officially provided by the competent authority of the exporting countries (regions) and will produce an assessment report.
- During the process of evaluation, according to the needs and with the approval of the government of the exporting country (region), an expert group will be dispatched to conduct on-the-spot investigation to confirm the authenticity and consistency of relevant information provided by the competent authority of the exporting country (region).

Step 3. Negotiation with respect to the inspection and quarantine requirements

- According to the evaluation results, the two sides would negotiate on the inspection and quarantine requirements for the meat and aquatic products to be exported to China.
- After reaching an agreement, the inspection and quarantine requirements (which include signing of inspection and quarantine protocol, memorandum or announcement of inspection and quarantine requirements) shall be confirmed, and the content and format of the (veterinary) health certificate of the products to be exported to China will be confirmed.

Step 4. Registration of foreign export companies

- Upon completing the above assessment and evaluation procedures, the foreign export companies which intend to export to China shall register with the Chinese side (local Customs) as required.
- The Chinese side will release "the Catalogue for food to be exported to China from countries or regions which meet the assessment requirements and which have traditional trade".

- Meanwhile, the competent authority of the exporting countries (regions) shall provide the General Administration of Customs with information such as the official veterinary signatory and the plant quarantine certificate signatory.

Step 5. Application of quarantine permit

- According to the relevant regulations, upon obtaining the registration qualification of the consignee of imported food, the Chinese importer can apply for a quarantine permit for importing meat and aquatic products from a registered enterprise in the country (region) which has been approved access.
- Once obtained the "Entry Animal and Plant Quarantine License of the People's Republic of China", the importer shall import the meat and aquatic products which meet the requirements of inspection and quarantine.
- Upon arrival at the Chinese port, the products shall be inspected and quarantined by the China Customs.

1.1 Live cattle, live deer, beef, venison.

Mauritius is a foot-and-mouth disease endemic country, and relevant quarantine access can be carried out only after the ban on the epidemic situation is lifted.

2. Procedure for exportation of other agricultural products.

Relevant inspection and quarantine access procedures are as follows:

Step 1: The official quarantine authorities of the exporting country (region) shall submit a written application to the Chinese side according to the trade demand, and explain the name, type, purpose, importer information and exporter information of the specific agricultural products to be exported.

Step 2: According to the application, the Chinese side would provide the exporting country (region) with a questionnaire related to the import risk analysis of this kind of agricultural products, and requests the exporting country (region) to reply.

Step 3: After receiving the reply on the questionnaire from the exporting country (region), the Chinese side will organize relevant experts to conduct risk analysis, during the process of risk analysis, if necessary, the Chinese side will request the exporting country (region) to supplement relevant information materials; Based on the evaluation of the above information, the Chinese side will consider whether to send an expert group to the exporting country (region) to conduct on-site investigation.

Step 4: After completing the risk analysis, the Chinese side will consider whether to put forward the entry inspection and quarantine health requirements for the import of this kind of agricultural product from the exporting country, the Chinese side will further consult with the official competent authorities in the exporting country.

Step 5: After the two sides reach an agreement on the sanitary requirements for entry inspection and quarantine, the officials of the exporting country shall submit 50 samples of health certificates to the Chinese side for filing, and the trade of this kind of agricultural product will be allowed once the filing is completed.