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Conditions Governing the Importation of Meat and Meat Products (Excluding Game Meat) into the Cayman Islands

Animals Law (2015 Revision) Part II-9 (1) & (2)

All persons importing meat and meat products into the Cayman Islands whether for commercial or personal use must:

- 1) first obtain an Import License issued by the Cayman Islands Department of Agriculture
- 2) obtain and produce for the Agricultural Inspector at the point of entry into the Cayman Islands a **sanitary/wholesomeness certificate** issued by the **competent government authority** stating:
 - a. the carcass or portion of the carcass thereof, whether fresh, frozen, chilled, pasteurized, cured or pickled, originated from animals slaughtered while in good health and free from contagious and infectious diseases;
 - b. the meat or meat products have been inspected and passed for food under the laws of the country of origin;
 - c. was wholesome and unadulterated at the time of inspection

Eligible/Ineligible Products and Countries

A. Eligible Products

1. Cattle (*Bos spp*) - meat and products
2. Sheep (*Ovis spp*) (*mutton and lamb* and goat (*Capra spp*) - meat and products
3. Swine (*Sus domesticus*) – meat and meat products
4. Poultry (*Galliformes*) - meat and products
5. Commercially canned boneless meat, thoroughly cooked and hermetically sealed
6. Only domesticated animals listed above kept for food

B. Ineligible Products

1. Meat and meat products containing meat derived from an advanced meat recovery (AMR) process.
2. Meat and meat products originating from any countries or territories not listed below.
3. Pork and pork products originating from countries where the presence of African Swine Fever (ASF) has been confirmed.

C. Eligible Countries of Export to Cayman Islands

1. Australia, Canada, CARICOM States (excluding Haiti – see below), Costa Rica, Honduras, New Zealand, and United States of America (*cattle, sheep, goat and swine*)
2. Haiti (*cattle, sheep, and goat products only*)
3. United Kingdom (*swine and cattle*)
4. European Union (*swine products only*)
5. Nicaragua (*boneless meat products only*)
6. All countries/territories:
 - i. Poultry meat and Poultry meat products,
 - ii. Thoroughly cooked boneless meat in hermetically sealed metal cans from any country with the exception of-
 - (a) the Republic of Ireland; and
 - (b) the United Kingdom or any other country of the European Union

D. Ineligible Countries/Territories

All other countries/territories not listed above.

Types of Consignments and Licences

Commercial Consignment: An importer with a local trade and business licence, who intends to import a consignment or multiple consignments of any quantity. *An importation licence is required.*

Personal Consignment: An importer who intends to import, for personal consumption, a consignment, over 5kg (11lbs). *An importation licence is required.*

Licence's: The abovementioned importers **must** acquire a Meat Import Licence from the Department of Agriculture **prior** to importation. The fee is **CI\$50.00** for a Single-Entry License and **CI\$150.00** for a Multiple Entry License.

Importation of Meat and Meat Products in Passenger Baggage for Personal Use

Individual travelling passengers are allowed to import eligible meat and meat products from eligible countries, intended for personal consumption up to a maximum of 5 kg (11 lbs.), *without* an import licence/sanitary certificate provided the original packaging is intact and the packaging bears the inspection mark/icon from the competent government authority.

Examples: USA: USDA-FSIS inspected stamp/mark



Canada: CFIA inspected stamp/mark





Application for the Licence to Import Meat and Meat Products into the Cayman Islands

Date Received

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SECTION A: Licence Category: Single Entry Multiple Entry Renewal # _____ (previous permit #)

Name & Address of Importer: _____ P. O. Box: _____ KY - _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Name & Address of Exporter: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

SECTION B: Consignment Details

Commercial Consignment Personal Consignment Samples Other: _____

Country of Origin: _____ Transshipment: _____

Means of Conveyance: Air Sea Expected Date of Arrival: _____ DD / MM / YY

Type of Consignment & Quantity

Cattle: Qty: _____ Swine: Qty: _____ Goat: Qty: _____

Sheep: Qty: _____ Poultry: Qty: _____ Other: _____ Qty: _____

Intended Use: Human Consumption Animal Consumption Scientific Studies

Other : _____

Product Name/Description:

Fresh Frozen Chilled Pasteurized Cured Pickled Cooked Other: _____

SECTION C: Agreement

I/We hereby agree to comply with all import conditions as may be stipulated in the terms of the Import Licence granted by the Cayman Islands Department of Agriculture.

Signature: _____ Date: _____ DD / MM / YY

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY		
<input type="checkbox"/> Application Approved Permit #: _____ Fee \$ <input type="checkbox"/> 50.00 <input type="checkbox"/> 150.00 Date: _____ DD / MM / YY Approved By: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Application Denied Reason: _____ Date Notified (d/m/y): _____ DD / MM / YY Notified via: <input type="checkbox"/> Phone <input type="checkbox"/> Email Denied By: _____	<i>Official stamp Date Issued</i>

Note: Multiple Entry Licence expires at the end of each Calendar Year. Single Entry Licence expires 30 days after date of issue.
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