

## VETERINARY HEALTH CERTIFICATE

## for export of poultry meat and poultry meat products<sup>(1)</sup> from Finland to Japan

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6 Net weight	
II.4 Storage facility (name, address	
and approval number)	
II.8 Type of processing	
II.12 Date(s) of processing	
II.15 Name, address and registration number of approved casing facilities (in	
case natural casing of sheep or goat is used)	

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## III Attestation

I, the undersigned Official Veterinarian, do hereby certify that:

- Notifiable Avian Influenza (NAI) and Newcastle Disease are notifiable diseases in Finland. These diseases must be brought to the
  attention of the competent authority of Finland immediately after an outbreak is detected or suspected in accordance with national
  regulation;
- 2. the surveillance program for NAI based on the OIE Code is implemented by the competent authority of Finland;
- 3. the vaccination against NAI is prohibited in Finland;
- 4. Finland has been free from NAI for at least 90 days before the day of shipment of poultry meat and meat products to be exported to Japan;
- 5. the poultry used for the production of poultry meat and meat products to be exported to Japan must be kept and raised in an area (at least in the radius of 50 km from the premises of origin) free from Newcastle Disease for at least 90 days before slaughter or since the hatching of the poultry;
- 6. the premises of origin of the poultry, from which the exported poultry meat and meat products originate, have been free from Fowl Cholera and other serious/important poultry infectious diseases designated by the competent authority of Finland for at least 90 days before slaughter or since the hatching of the poultry;
- 7. the establishments for production (including slaughtering, processing and storage facilities. Hereinafter referred to as "the establishments") of the poultry meat and meat products to be exported to Japan must be authorized by the competent authority of Finland as the ones where sanitary inspections are conducted periodically by the government veterinary inspector or the animal health inspector appointed by the competent authority of Finland (hereinafter referred to as "the inspector");
- 8. the poultry used for the production of poultry meat and meat products to be exported to Japan must be confirmed free from any poultry infectious diseases as a consequence of ante- and post-mortem inspections conducted by the inspector;
- 9. the poultry meat and meat products to be exported to Japan must be handled and stored in such a way as to prevent contamination with pathogens of any animal infectious disease prior to shipment to Japan; and
- 10. the poultry meat or meat products described here in were slaughtered, cut and processed under sanitary conditions in accordance with laws and regulations of Finland, which are at least equivalent to laws and regulations of Japan.

## IV Additional animal health requirements

Additional animal health requirements for meat products in which natural casings are used (2):

In case the casings are derived from sheep and goat:

- 1. the casings are derived from animals which were born and raised in countries other than the countries listed on MAFF's website as countries having a temporary import suspension associated with the occurrence of BSE;
- 2. in case the casings for the production of the meat products are originated in the EU, the casings are derived from animals which were free from any animal infectious diseases as a consequence of ante- and post-mortem inspections conducted by official inspectors of the EU Member State. In case the casings for the production of meat products are imported from outside the EU, the casings have been free from any evidence of animal infectious diseases as a result of import inspection conducted by the official inspectors of EU Member State or confirmation of the health certificates issued by the exporting government; and
- 3. the casings are handled only in the establishments handling only casings from countries other than countries where BSE has occurred. In case the casings are derived from pigs:
- in case the casings for the production of the meat products are originated in the EU, the casings are derived from animals which were
  free from any animal infectious diseases as a consequence of ante- and post-mortem inspections conducted by official inspectors of the
  EU Member State. In case the casings for the production of the meat products are imported from outside the EU, the casings have been
  free from any evidence of animal infectious diseases as a result of import inspection conducted by the official inspectors of the EU
  Member State or confirmation of the health certificates issued by the exporting government.

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Done at (place)	Date		Official stamp <sup>(3)</sup>	
Signature of the official veterinarian	(3)			
Name clarification and official position in ca	nital letters			
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(1) Poultry meat and meat products means meat, bone, fat, blood, (2) Delete as appropriate	skin, tendon and viscera	of poultry and their proc	lucts	
(3) Signature and stamp must be in a different colour to that of the	e printed certificate			
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