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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 1 July 2016, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of South Africa.

Requirements for the import of porcine casings into South Africa

The veterinary health certificate notified in G/SPS/N/ZAF/43 has been slightly modified following comments received.

The processing requirement in our general certificate for the import of porcine casings into South Africa states:

- Salting for at least 30 days either with phosphate supplemented dry salt or saturated brine (Aw < 0.80) containing 86.5% NaCl, 10.7% Na₂HPO₄ and 2.8% Na₃PO₄ (weight/weight/weight), and kept at a temperature of greater than 20°C during this entire period.

This is taken from the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code, Chapter 15.2: Infection with classical swine fever virus, Article 15.2.24: Procedures for the inactivation of the CSFV in casings of pigs.

These procedures have also been shown to be effective for the inactivation of the following diseases:

- Foot and Mouth Disease;
- Aujeszky's Disease;
- African Swine Fever;
- Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome;
- Swine Vesicular Disease.

Should an individual country wish to have lower requirements with regard to the processing, based on their country's animal health status, they should propose a veterinary health certificate, which addresses the risk of transmission of all the above-mentioned diseases via the porcine casings.

We will then enter bilateral negotiations for a specific veterinary health certificate for that country.

This general certificate will be implemented from 1st August 2016.

http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/ZAF/16_2630_00_e.pdf

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