

MAFRA Notice No. 2019-480

According to Article 34.2 of the Act on the Prevention of Contagious Animal Diseases, the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs(MAFRA) proposes public notice of the Import Health Requirements for animal-protein feed and publicly announces its main content and purpose of the notification to gather public opinion in accordance with Article 46 of the Administrative Procedures Act as follows.

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Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs

Proposed public notice of Import Health Requirements for animal-protein feed

1. Summary

- The MAFRA is monitoring the global african swine fever (ASF) situation, and now the disease has spread across several countries in Asia, including South Korea for the first time in 2019, as well as several European countries. To prevent the introduction of ASF and other animal diseases of concern into South Korea, the MAFRA is proposing the new public notice to enhance risk management include: set heat-treatment requirements for animal-protein feed and the registration and approval process for plants eligible for export

2. Supplementary information

A. Animal-protein feed ingredients and their production requirements

- Porcine origin products shall use ingredients with any porcine origin products from the exporting country or countries allowed to export pig or pork to

South Korea, or follow sterilization conditions*

* Moist heat sterilization(121°C, 15~20 minutes, or 115°C, 35 minutes), dry heat sterilization(160~170°C, for 1~2 hours)

- Poultry origin products shall use ingredients with any poultry origin products from the exporting country or countries allowed to export poultry or poultry meat to South Korea, or follow sterilization conditions*

* Moist heat sterilization(121°C, for 15~20 minutes , or 115°C, for 35 minutes), dry heat sterilization(160~170°C, for 1~2 hours)

- Animal-protein shall be produced and managed to avoid commingling or cross-contamination with ruminants protein
- The processing, storage and transportation of animal-protein feed should be handled in such a manner as to prevent contamination by pathogens of infectious animal diseases

B. Conditions for plants eligible to export and on-site inspection

- Plants eligible to export should be selected, authorized, and registered by a government of a exporting country in advance and then approved by on-site inspection or other methods by the Korean government

* Provided, that export plants have already exported animal-protein feed to South Korea, prior to the enactment of this notification, shall be deemed to have been approved pursuant to this notification

- The Korean Government will conduct the on-site inspection of export plants to regularly monitor heat-treatment conditions and prevention of cross-contamination
- When the Korean government official finds out non-compliance with the import health requirements during the on-site inspection of the export plants, it will result in possible suspension of export to South Korea until corrective actions are in place

3. Dates: The MAFRA notice No. 2019-480 is effective when published in official gazette.