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Guidance on Exporting
Feed Products, Health
Certificate, and Certificate
of Free Sale



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Introduction



This Guidance aims to explain and clarify the procedures required for feed facilities, establishments, and factories that wish to export non-pharmaceutical products and additives outside the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. It also outlines the process for obtaining a health certificate for feed products and a certificate of free sale for feed products.

Applicability



This Guidance applies to establishments that wish to obtain export permits for non-pharmaceutical feed products and additives, as well as health certificates and certificate of free sale.

Definitions

The following words and phrases shall have the meanings assigned to them wherever they appear in this Guidance, unless the context requires otherwise.

Establishment

Any legal entity where one or more stages of production, packaging, storage, distribution, or transportation take place.

Export permit

A permit issued by the Saudi Food and Drug Authority (SFDA) for the export of non-pharmaceutical feed products and additives.

Feed

Any substance or material intended for animal nutrition, whether it consists of a single substance, mixed materials, manufactured, semi-manufactured, raw, or any material involved in the production, preparation, or processing of feeds. These materials can originate from approved plant, animal, or aquatic sources.

Feed additives

Components intentionally added to feeds for technical purposes, enhance taste, increase nutritional value, or improve the productivity of animals, whether these components have nutritional value or not.

A certificate of free sale for feed products

A certificate issued by the Saudi Food and Drug Authority (SFDA) attesting that the feed product is traded and sold in the local markets of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia without any restrictions or conditions.

A health certificate for feed products

A certificate issued by the Saudi Food and Drug Authority (SFDA) attesting that the establishment and the products are subject to the control and supervision of SFDA.

First: The Journey to Obtain an Export Permit for Non-Pharmaceutical feed Products and Additives

- The export permit application is submitted via the email of the Food Licensing Department at FES.Food@sFDA.gov.sa
- The application is received, reviewed, and the attached documents are verified to issue an export permit for non-pharmaceutical feed products.
- After studying and reviewing the application, matching the received documents, and ensuring the accuracy of the data, the export permit is issued for the establishment.
- The export permit for non-pharmaceutical feed products is sent to the establishment via email after approval from the department.
- In the event that the required documents are not submitted in full, communication with the establishment is initiated, and it is requested to send the missing documents before the export permit for non-pharmaceutical feed products can be issued.

Second: Conditions and Requirements for Obtaining an Export Permit for Locally Manufactured or Re-exported Feed Products

Complete and attach a permit application form to export feed products along with a health certificate and a certificate of free sale for feed products. This form is used to apply for permission to export non-pharmaceutical feed products.

Attach a copy of the Certificate of Origin for the products to be exported.

Attach a copy of the invoice that includes details of the shipment to be exported.

Provide a scanned copy of the valid commercial registration for the establishment.

Complete and attach the Declaration of Non-Receipt of Subsidy Form.

Steps to Obtain an Export Permit

Submit the export permit application via email to the email address of the Food Permits Section: FES.Food@sfda.gov.sa

The application is reviewed, and the documents provided are verified for accuracy and completeness.

Upon approval, the export permit for the establishment is issued.

The export permit is sent to the establishment via email.

Third: The Journey to Obtain a Health Certificate and certificate of free sale for feed Products

- After obtaining the export permit, submit the application for the health certificate and certificate of free sale via email to FES.Food@sfda.gov.sa
- The application is received and reviewed, with careful verification of the attached documents to ensure the issuance of either the health certificate or the certificate of free sale for non-pharmaceutical feed products.
- After studying and reviewing the application and ensuring the accuracy of the provided documents and data, the health certificate or the certificate of free sale for non-pharmaceutical feed products is issued for the establishment.
- Subsequently, the health certificate or the certificate of free sale is sent to the establishment via email.

Fourth: Conditions and Requirements for Obtaining a Health Certificate and certificate of free sale for feed Products

Complete and attach a permit application form to export feed products, a health certificate, and a certificate of free sale.

Attach a copy of the analysis certificate from an accredited laboratory as desired by the exporting establishment.

Complete and attach a pledge form to inform SFDA when the sale of the product stops in the local market.

Steps to Obtain a health certificate

Submit a request to obtain a health certificate for non-pharmaceutical feed products via email at FES.Food@sfda.gov.sa

After obtaining export permission

Attach a copy of the analysis certificate from an accredited laboratory as desired by the exporting establishment.

The application is reviewed, the received documents are matched, and the data is verified.

A health certificate is issued for non-pharmaceutical feed products.

The health certificate for non-pharmaceutical feed products is sent via email to the establishment.

Steps to Obtain a certificate of free sale

Submit a request to obtain a certificate of free sale for non-pharmaceutical feed products via email FES.Food@sfda.gov.sa

After obtaining the export permission

The application is reviewed, the received documents are matched, and the data is verified.

A certificate of free sale is issued for non-pharmaceutical feed products.

The certificate of free sale for non-pharmaceutical feed products via email to the establishment.

General Provisions

- The establishment should be registered in the National Feed Registration System before applying for an export permit for non-pharmaceutical feed products.
- The products must be registered in the National Feed Registration System before applying for an export permit for non-pharmaceutical feed products.
- In the case of requesting re-export of feed products, a certificate of origin (re-export) must be attached.
- SFDA shall have the right to request any certificates, reports, or data required for the process of issuing the export permit.
- SFDA shall have the right to revoke the certificate of free sale if it is proven that the feed product for which this certificate was issued is not being sold in the local markets of the Kingdom.
- The export permit is valid for four months from the date of issuance.
- The health certificate is valid for four months from the date of issuance.
- The certificate of free sale is valid for one year from the date of issuance.



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