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ANIMAL FEED INGREDIENT IMPORT REGULATIONS

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APHIS VS NIES Regulatory Authority

- Title 9, Code of Federal Regulations Part 93 (live animals)
- Title 9, Code of Federal Regulations Part 94 (edible animal products)
- Title 9, *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 95 (animal by-products)
- Title 9, *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 121 (Select Agents)
- Title 9, *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 122 (Organisms and Vectors)



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Animal Species Regulated by NIES

- Bovine (cattle)
- Ovine (sheep)
- Caprine (goats)
- Cervid (deer)
- Porcine (pigs)
- Equine (horses)
- Avian (birds)
- Aquatic farmed species (fish, shell fish)

Foreign Animal Diseases of NIES concern that Affect Trade

- Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE)
- Newcastle Disease (ND)
- Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza
- African Horse Sickness (AHS)
- Foot-and-Mouth Disease (FMD)
- Classical Swine Fever (CSF)
- Swine Vesicular Disease (SVD)
- African Swine Fever (ASF)



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Agencies Involved - Import

- USDA APHIS VS NIES
- U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP)
- U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)
- USDA APHIS Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ)
- USDA Food Safety Inspection Service (FSIS)
 - Denatured inedible animal product



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USDA APHIS VS NIES

- Regulates importation of certain animal origin materials into the US
 - Authority taken from 9 CFR
- CBP Agricultural Specialists enforce APHIS VS NIES import regulations at ports of entry
 - Document review and inspection
- Regulations apply to the regulated animal material
 - Some animal products are not regulated
- USDA APHIS VS NIES does not regulate animal feed containers



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Animal Feed Ingredients - General Import Requirements

- Commercial shipments require a valid VS Import Permit and associated foreign government zoo-sanitary certificate
- Permit restrictions and associated zoo-sanitary certifications are based upon the material type (meals, offals, etc), species of origin, and country of origin/processing.
 - Vast majority of permits require the ingredients to be heat treated prior to importation to mitigate for diseases of concern
 - Foreign facilities producing/handling rendered material (“meals”, digests, hydrolysates) require an annual inspection to demonstrate absence of comingling with prohibited material



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Brief Statistics on Animal Feed Ingredient Import Permits

- 260 commercial import permits for animal feed ingredients
- 25% of permits are for ingredients from Australia/New Zealand
 - >80% of ruminant meal permits
- 33% of permits are for ingredients from Canada
 - Non ruminant rendered material
 - Offals (non-rendered) of all species
- 15% of permits are for ingredients from South America
 - Mainly fish/shellfish meal
- 15% of permits are for ingredients from the EU
 - Fish/shellfish meal, avian, porcine ingredients
- 4 active permits for ingredients from China



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