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Ministry of Industry and Commerce

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Decision
On the List of Goods Requiring
Sanitary and Phytosanitary-SPS Compliance Certification Prior to
Import and Export

- According to Decree on the Organization and Operation of Ministry of Industry and Commerce no.275/PM, dated 1 September 2023;
- According to Decree on Import and Export no.114/GOV, dated 6 April 2011;
- According to the request letter of the Department of Foreign Trade no.1606/DFT, dated 25 April 2024.

Minister of Industry and Commerce has issued a Decision:

Article 1 Objectives

This Decision is stipulated to determine the list of goods which require Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) compliance certification prior to import and export.

Article 2 List of goods which require SPS Compliance Certification prior to import and export

List of goods which require SPS compliance certification prior to import and export are those goods that need to get certification on quality, testing or inspecting in compliance with regulations of each sector and to comply with SPS.

Article 3 Table of List of Goods requiring SPS Compliance Prior to Import

List of goods which require SPS compliance certification prior to import following the HS code and in which details are indicated in the table below:

No	HS Code	Goods	Measures	Reasons	References	Certifying Sector	Certification Form
01	16-21	Food, Food Products and Supplementary food	Inspect, certify the compliance of quality and safety as authorized registration with Department of Food and Drugs	To ensure the quality and safety of foods focusing on protecting consumer's health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Law on Food no.33/NA, dated 24 July 2013; - Decision on the Import, Export, and Transit of Food no.1166/MOH, dated 21 June 2018; - Decision on Food Inspection no. 297/MOH, dated 24 February 2012; - Decision on Food Registration no.2749/MOH, dated 28 August 2023. 	Department of Food and Drugs, Ministry of Health	Everytime prior to import
02	2501001000	Iodized salt	Inspect, certify the compliance of quality and safety as authorized registration with Department of Food and Drugs	For safety of products for consumers and to eliminate iodine deficiency diseases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decision on the Import, Export, and Transit of Food no.1166/MOH, dated 21 June 2018; - Decision on Food Registration no.2749/MOH, dated 28 August 2023; - Provision on Iodized Salt Standard no. 102/MOH, dated 21 January 2004. 	Department of Food and Drugs, Ministry of Health	Everytime prior to import
03	2201-2202	Drinking water in closed containers	Inspect, certify the compliance of quality and safety as authorized registration with Department of Food and Drugs	To protect consumer's health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decision on the Import, Export, and Transit of Food no.1166/MOH, dated 21 June 2018; - Decision on Food Registration no.2749/MOH, dated 28 August 2023; - Decision on Drinking Water in Closed Containers No. 2750/MOH, dated 28 August 2023. 	Department of Food and Drugs, Ministry of Health	Everytime prior to import

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04	2203-2209	Alcohol Beverage	Inspect, certify the compliance of quality and safety as authorized registration with Department of Food and Drugs	To protect people's lives and health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Law on Alcohol Beverage Control No. 54/NA, dated 19 December 2014; - Decision on the Import, Export, and Transit of Food no.1166/MOH, dated 21 June 2018; - Decision on Food Registration no.2749/MOH, dated 28 August 2023. 	Department of Food and Drugs, Ministry of Health	Everytime prior to import
05		Traditional Medicine	Inspect, certify the compliance of quality and safety as authorized registration with Department of Food and Drugs	To protect people's lives and health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Law on Drugs and Medical Products No. 07/NA, dated 21 December 2011; - Decree on Pharmaceutical Natural resource No. 155/PM, dated 30 September 2003; - Decision on Traditional Medicine Registration, No. 169/MOH, date 25 January 2022. 	Department of Food and Drugs, Ministry of Health	Everytime prior to import
06		Supplementary Food Products	Inspect, certify the compliance of quality and safety as authorized registration with Department of Food and Drugs	To protect people's lives and health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decision on Supplementary Food Products Registration no.2626/MOH, dated 21 August 2023; - Notification on the Documents to Request for Import License of Raw Materials, Container Equipment, Drug, and Medical Equipment for Production and Distribution No. 2660/16.FDD, dated 16 June 2016. 	Department of Food and Drugs, Ministry of Health	Everytime prior to import

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07	0601-1404 240120	Plants, plant products, and regulated objects	Pest Risk Analysis, phytosanitary inspection and certification, chemical residues.	To ensure safety and to protect plants, people, animals and environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decision on the Phytosanitary Measures for Import and Transit of plants, plant products, and regulated materials No. 2985/MAF, dated 28 June 2019; - Decision on the Adoption and Promulgation of the List of Plants, Plant Products and Regulated Materials requiring license prior to import into Lao PDR on the basis of a Pest Risk Analysis No. 2987/MOAF, dated 28 June 2019; - Guidelines on the import and transit of plants, plant products and regulated materials, No. 2881/MAF, dated 11 December 2019. 	Department of Forestry (Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry)	Everytime prior to import
08	3101-3105	Fertilizer	Inspect, certify the compliance of quality and safety as authorized registration with Department of Forestry.	To ensure effective monitoring of dust business operations and meet the safety standards for people, animals, the environment and society.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decision on Fertilizer Management in Lao PDR No. 2169/MAF, dated 24 October 2013; - Order on the increased attention on the inspection of fertilizer, pesticide and plant seeds labelling No. 1893/MAF, dated September 24, 2020. 	Department of Forestry (Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry)	Everytime prior to import
09	0101-0102 0104-0105	Animals, Aquatic Animals, Aquatic Animal and Aquatic Animal Products.	Check compliance with sanitary measures (there is certification on health of animals, aquatic animals or sanitary certification of animals and	To protect and prevent the spread of foreign animals/aquatic animals into Lao PDR aiming to protect lives, health of people, animals/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Law on Livestock Production and Veterinary Matters No. 08/NA dated 11 November 2016; - Law on Aquatic Animal and Fisheries No. 41/NA, date 17 July, 2023; - Decree on Prevention and Control of Animal Epidemic Diseases No. 228/GoL, dated 31 May 2012; 	Department of Livestocks and Fisheries (Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry)	Everytime prior to import

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			aquatic animal products)	aquatic animals and environment to ensure that those products are safe.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Decree on the Management of the Movement of Animal and Animal Related Products No. 230/GoL, dated 4 June 2012; - Decision on the Import, Export, and Transit of Animal and Animal Products No. 0795/MAF, dated 18 April 2019; - Decision on the Import, Export and Transit of Aquatic Animal and Aquatic Animal Products no.4211/MAF, dated 29 November 2019. 		
10	2301-2309	Animal Feed	Inspect, certify quality and safety of animal feed	To have the quality standard ensuring safety and nutrition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decision on Animal Feed no 02/GOL, dated 2 January 2020; - Handbook on Animal Feed Registration no.1594/MAF, dated 6 March 2023. 	Department of Livestocks and Fisheries (Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry)	Everytime prior to import
11		Veterinary medicines	Inspect, certify quality and safety of Veterinary medicines	To ensure safety of lives and health of human, animal and environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decree on Veterinary medicines no. 199/GOL, dated 13 March 2020. - Decision on antimicrobials for animals and aquatics, No.0545/MOAF, date 12 May 2021 	Department of Livestocks and Fisheries (Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry)	Everytime prior to import

Remark:

For goods listed in the table of this Decision that do not have a HS Code or already have but that is not clear or incomplete, the related sectors shall coordinate with customs administration the correct classification of the HS code of the actual goods and ensure that it is consistent with details of the goods according to the Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature.

Unofficial translation

Article 4 List of Goods requiring SPS Compliance Certification Prior to Export

List of Goods which requires SPS Compliance Certification Prior to Export is to follow the rules of destination country and treaties that Lao PDR is a party.

Article 5 Amendment of List of Goods Requiring SPS Compliance Certification Prior to Import

Amendment of list of goods requiring SPS compliance certification prior to import is to add or remove goods in the list as specified in Article 3 of this Decision.

Amendment of the list each time must be approved by Minister of Industry and Commerce following the study and request of related sectors.

Upon finishing the amendment, Ministry of Industry and Commerce shall notify related sectors for acknowledgment and implementation.

Article 6 Submission of an application for SPS Compliance Certification Prior to Import and Export

Importer or Exporter must submit an application to related sector prior to import or export goods each time according to list of goods specified in the table of this Decision with a complete and correct document according to regulations of related sectors.

Article 7 Implementation

Department of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Industry and Commerce is assigned to cooperate with related sectors in order to disseminate and implement this Decision for good outcomes.

Article 8 Effectiveness

This Decision is effective from the date of signature and published in the Lao Gazette.

Minister

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