

Requirements and Procedures for Approval of Establishments for Products

1. The competent authority of the importing Party shall draw up lists of approved establishments and shall make these lists publicly available.

2. Requirements and procedures for approval shall be as follows:
 - (a) The products concerned shall have been authorised by the competent authority of the importing Party. This authorisation shall include the import and certification requirements.

 - (b) The competent authority of the exporting Party shall approve the establishments intended to export and provide the importing Party with satisfactory sanitary guarantees that the establishments meet the relevant requirements of the importing Party.

 - (c) The competent authority of the exporting Party must have the power to suspend or withdraw the export approval of an establishment in the event of non-compliance.

- (d) The importing Party may carry out verifications in accordance with the provisions of Article 6.7 (Verifications) as part of the approval procedure.
- (e) The verification referred to under subparagraph (d) shall concern the structure, organisation and powers of the competent authority responsible for the approval of the establishment and the sanitary guarantees regarding the compliance with the importing Party's requirements.
- (f) The verification referred to under subparagraph (d) may include on the spot inspection of a representative number of establishments appearing on the list or lists provided by the exporting Party.
- (g) Based on the results of the verification referred to in subparagraph (d), the importing Party may amend the list of establishments.
