



**United States
Department of
Agriculture**

Animal and Plant
Health Inspection
Service

Veterinary Services

Animal Products
Imports and Exports

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Friday, November 20, 2020

Dear COL Michelle Thompson:

Your USDA Veterinary Permit to import and/or transport controlled materials, organisms, or vectors accompanies this cover letter.

Review this permit carefully, as the statements and language may have changed to reflect the requirements of newly published regulations.

Please note the following:

- USDA Veterinary Permits no longer require a signature. Use of the permit for importation of the described commodity(ies) is acknowledgement that the permittee is legally responsible for complying with the permit conditions.
- Review the import permit for errors. Should you identify any errors, please contact our office immediately
- A copy of the permit must accompany every shipment.

Do Not send the permit back to this office.

Contact our office with any questions or concerns at apie@usda.gov or 301-851-3300, option 4.

Sincerely,

Tracye R. Butler (Hernandez-Bynum), DVM
Senior Staff Veterinarian
Animal Product Import and Export (APIE)

PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE WWW.APHIS.USDA.GOV AND ENJOY OUR QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER WHICH HIGHLIGHTS THE IMPORT AND EXPORT STAFF CONTINUED EFFORTS TOWARD SAFEGUARDING U.S. AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK. THIS NEWSLETTER ALSO FEATURES

CURRENT TRENDS SHAPING APHIS/APIE AND THE IMPORT PERMIT PROCESS.

HAVE A SHIPMENT ON-HOLD? PLEASE VISIT OUR REVAMPED ON-HOLD SHIPMENT WEBSITE FOR FURTHER GUIDANCE [On Hold](#) - Shipment Notification Application (for Animal Products and By-Products)

**UNITED STATES VETERINARY PERMIT FOR IMPORTATION
AND TRANSPORTATION OF CONTROLLED MATERIALS AND
ORGANISMS AND VECTORS**

PERMIT NUMBER
140760
Research

DATE ISSUED
11/20/2020

DATE EXPIRES
11/20/2021

NAME AND ADDRESS OF SHIPPER(S)

Various shippers outside the
UNITED STATES

CC:
Service Center, TX (Oklahoma
City, OK)

NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERMITTEE INCLUDING ZIP CODE AND TELEPHONE NUMBER

COL Michelle Thompson
PHCR-S Food Analysis & Diagnostic Lab
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Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234
210-295-4159

U.S. PORT(S) OF ARRIVAL
AS APPLICABLE

MODE OF TRANSPORTATION ANY

AS REQUESTED IN YOUR APPLICATION, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO IMPORT OR TRANSPORT THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS

Samples of laboratory animal feed containing porcine and/or avian: meat-and-bone meal, bone meal, blood/blood products, hoof meal, and/or hydrolyzed protein as the only animal origin material (quantity not to exceed 5 lbs [2.3 kgs] per shipment).

RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS FOR TRANSPORTING AND HANDLING MATERIALS AND ALL DERIVATIVES

THIS PERMIT IS ISSUED UNDER AUTHORITY CONTAINED IN 9 CFR CHAPTER 1, PARTS 94.95 AND 122. THE AUTHORIZED MATERIALS OR THEIR DERIVATIVES SHALL BE USED ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS SPECIFIED BELOW (ALTERATIONS OF RESTRICTIONS CAN BE MADE ONLY WHEN AUTHORIZED BY USDA, APHIS, VS).

- o **Adequate safety precautions shall be maintained during shipment and handling to prevent dissemination of disease.**
- o With the use of this permit I, COL Michelle Thompson, Permittee, acknowledge that the regulated material(s) will be imported/transported within the United States in accordance with the terms and conditions as are specified in the permit. The Permittee is the legal importer/recipient [as applicable] of regulated article(s) and is responsible for complying with the permit conditions. The Permittee must be at least 18 years of age and have and maintain an address in the United States that is specified on the permit; or if another legal entity, maintain an address or business office in the United States with a designated individual for service of process; and serve as the contact for the purpose of communications associated with the import, transit, or transport of the regulated article(s). **Note: Import/Permit requirements are subject to change at any time during the duration of this permit.
- o ***Each shipment shall be accompanied by an ORIGINAL signed document from the producer/manufacturer confirming that the exported material:
1) contains porcine and/or avian: meat-and-bone meal, bone meal, blood/blood products, hoof meal, and/or hydrolyzed protein as the only animal origin material; 2) is shelf-stable without refrigeration; and 3) was not commingled with any other animal origin material.
[This certification must CLEARLY correspond to the shipment by means of an invoice number or shipping marks or lot number or other identification method. An English translation must be provided.]

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TO EXPEDITE CLEARANCES AT THE PORT OF ENTRY, BILL OF LADING, AIRBILL OR OTHER DOCUMENTS ACCOMPANYING THE SHIPMENT SHALL BEAR THE PERMIT NUMBER

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NO. LABELS

RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS: (continued from Permit Form VS 16-6)

- The imported product is for IN-VITRO EVALUATION PURPOSES ONLY. PRODUCT MAY NOT BE SOLD OR DISTRIBUTED. Any unused product or derivatives therefrom MUST be destroyed by incineration.
- Importing/laboratory facility is subject to routine inspection by USDA, APHIS personnel during normal business hours to ensure compliance with permit restrictions and government certifications.
- This permit is valid only for work conducted or directed by you or your designee in your present U.S. facilities or appropriately inspected laboratory. THE AUTHORIZED IMPORTED MATERIAL(S) MUST BE SHIPPED/CONSIGNEE DIRECTLY TO THE ADDRESS OF THE PERMITTEE OR TO THE ADDRESS OF THE ADDITIONAL PERMITTEE(S) AS IDENTIFIED ON THIS PERMIT. MATERIALS AND/OR THEIR DERIVATIVES SHALL NOT BE MOVED TO ANOTHER U.S. LOCATION, OR DISTRIBUTED WITHIN THE U.S., WITHOUT USDA, APHIS VETERINARY SERVICES AUTHORIZATION.
- Records of all importations must be kept as well as amount received, used, disposed of and distributed. These records must be kept for 2 years and made available to USDA upon request.
- The restrictions on this permit remain in force as long as the material is in the United States.
- Imported material may be subject to regulations enforced by the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Importer must contact the Division of Import Operations and Policy at Area Code (301) 796-0356.
- Imported articles containing plant material (including but not limited to: pelleted feeds, seeds, wood material), plant pests/pathogens, soil, or insects/worms may be subject to regulations enforced by USDA, APHIS, Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ). Importers of such material must consult the PPQ website at:
http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/index.shtml or call (301) 851-2046 for more information.
- This permit does not exempt the permittee from responsibility for compliance with any other applicable federal, state, or local laws and regulations.

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RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS: (continued from Permit Form VS 16-6)

- Any person who VIOLATES the terms and conditions of permits, and/or who forge, counterfeit, or deface permits may be subject to criminal and civil penalties in accordance with applicable law. In addition, all current permits may be cancelled and future permit applications denied.
 - A copy of this permit must be included with the shipping documents. For imported materials, these documents must be presented to CBP Agricultural Specialists upon arrival at the U.S. port of arrival.
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