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THE MEAT INDUSTRY ACT
(CAP 421)

REGULATIONS
(Made under section 34)

THE MEAT INDUSTRY (IMPORT AND EXPORT OF LIVESTOCK, MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS) REGULATIONS, 2014

PART I
PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS

1. These regulations may be cited as the meat industry (Import and Export of Livestock, Meat and Meat Products) Regulations, 2014.

2. These regulations shall apply to all persons importing or exporting livestock, meat and meat products.

3. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:
   “Act” means the Meat Industry Act.
   “Board” means the Tanzania Meat Board established under the Act;
   “certificate” means an authorized document issued by Board under regulation 4;
   “Fob value” means total value of livestock, meat or meat products of Freight on Board;
   “importer or exporter” means any person who hold Certificate;
   “inspector” means a person appointed under regulation 9 of the Meat Industry (Livestock and Carcass Grading) Regulations;
   “processed meat” means meat prepared by any technology including smoking, boiling, drying, freezing or grinding in the manner that increases shelf life and quality;
   “CIF” means total value of livestock or meat or meat products, insurance and freight;
   “livestock” means cattle, sheep, goat, poultry, rabbit or pigs for meat;
   “Registrar” means a person appointed under section 15 of the Act;
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"establishment" means a registered livestock market, abattoir, meat processing facility, meat storage facility and distribution points.

PART II

APPLICATION FOR IMPORT AND EXPORT CERTIFICATE:

4.- (1) A person shall not import or export livestock, meat or meat products unless he holds a Certificate issued by the Board.

(2) Import or export permit or any other certificates for livestock, meat or meat products shall not be issued unless the applicant holds a Certificate.

(3) Applicant of meat and meat products Import or Export Certificate shall provide evidence of product registration approval by Tanzania Food and Drugs Authority.

(4) An application of a Certificate issued under sub regulations (2) shall be in the form prescribed in the First Schedule to these Regulations.

(5) A person shall apply and be provided with Import or Export Certificate for each consignment as prescribed in the Second Schedule to these Regulations.

5.- (1) The applicant shall provide such information and particulars as the Board may require.

(2) Subject to sub regulation (1), the Board shall grant certificate for such quality grades and amount of meat and meat products as it is specified by the consumer.

6.- (1) The applicant shall provide such information and particulars as the Board may require.

(2) Subject to sub regulation (1) the Board shall grant Certificate for export of livestock exceeding the domestic demand.

7.- (1) A fee of 2% of FOB value of imported meat or meat product shall be charged on each consignment;

(2) A fee of 1.5% of FOB value of exported livestock shall be charged on each consignment;

(3) A fee of 1% of FOB value of exported meat or meat products shall be charged each consignment;
PART III
ISSUANCE OF IMPORT AND EXPORT CERTIFICATE

8.- (1) The Registrar shall grant a Certificate prescribed under regulation 4(5) if it is satisfied with the information submitted by the applicant.

(2) The Certificate issued under sub-regulation (1) shall-
   (a) be used for one consignment;
   (b) not be transferable to any other person; and
   (c) have expiry date.

9.- (1) The Registrar may, suspend, cancel or revoke the Certificate at any time before the date of expiry, where the holder fails to abide to the notice made to him.

(2) Where the Certificate is suspended, cancelled or revoked by the Registrar under these Regulations, the holder shall with effect from date of cancellation or revocation of the certificate cease to import or export the consignment applied for.

10.- (1) Subject to sub-regulation 9(1), the Registrar shall serve a notice requiring the certificate holder to make presentation within two days from date of notice to show cause as to why the decision shall not be effected.

(2) Subject to sub-regulation (1), notice issued may require the Certificate holder to stop or refrain from doing anything related to importation or exportation of livestock or meat or meat products pending hearing and determination by the Registrar.

(3) Subject to sub-regulation (2), the Registrar shall hear such presentation and decide on the matter within three working days.

(4) Where a Certificate holder fails to make presentation within the period specified in the notice, the Registrar shall proceed with his decision.

(5) Where the Registrar decides to suspend, cancel or revoke the Certificate, shall make an order that the Certificate be returned to the registrar.
PART IV

PROVISIONS OF INFORMATION ON IMPORT OR EXPORT CONSIGNMENT

11. Notwithstanding the duties of an Inspector appointed under regulation 9 of The Meat Industry (Livestock and Carcass Grading) Regulations, the inspector shall perform the following duties-
   (a) inspect the livestock, meat and meat products import or export documents or consignments;
   (b) provide inspection reports on imports and exports.

12.- (1) An Inspector may enter any premises containing or suspected to contain imported livestock, meat or meat products with or without notice and require the disclosure of documents, the source of supply of livestock or meat or meat products or, date of delivery and shall make that disclosure, if so required, in writing.
   (2) Any person who-
      (a) willfully delays or obstructs an Inspector in the exercise of his powers under this section; or
      (b) refuses or fails without reasonable excuse, to give information which he is lawfully required to give under this section, or
      (c) gives any information which is false in a material particular or which he reasonably believes to be false commits an offence.

13. An Inspector shall ensure that the exported or imported consignment has been inspected at the port of entry or exit.

PART V

REVIEW AND APPEAL

14. -(1) The registrar may review his own decision upon suo moto or application
   (2) Any person who, is aggrieved by the decision of the registrar under these regulations, shall have the right to appeal to the Minister;

15. -(1) An applicant whose application for importing or exporting livestock or meat or meat products is not granted; or whose Certificate is cancelled; revoked or suspended may, within three days from the date of receipt of the copy of the proceedings and decision of the Registrar, appeal to the Minister.
   (2) Submission of the appeal shall be in writing, filed to the Minister together with a copy of proceedings and decision of the Registrar.
(3) The decision of the Minister on the appeal shall be final.

16. Any person who:-
(a) contravene the provisions of these Regulations;
(b) fails to comply with a notice issued under these Regulations;
(c) supplies any information or particulars required to be made or disclosed under these Regulations which is or are in any respect incorrect, inaccurate or misleading; or
(d) fail to comply with any requirement of an inspector or any other person authorized by the Board shall be guilty of an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine not less than fifty thousand shillings or to imprisonment for a term not less than four months or both such fine and imprisonment.

17. The Minister may upon recommendation from the Board amend or vary any provisions to these Regulations.

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**FIRST SCHEDULE**

(Made under regulation 4(4))

**APPLICATION FORM FOR IMPORT OR EXPORT OF LIVESTOCK, MEAT OR MEAT PRODUCTS**

(Note: TMB is not an authority to issue livestock or meat or meat products or import/export permit. The import/export permit is obtained from the Director General, Tanzania Food and Drugs Authority (TFDA) after this form has been approved and on production of the veterinary animal health certificate. This form is for one consignment only. Fill in duplicate and attach proforma invoice of the consignment "business license, TFDA registration for the product and the premises)."

Part I: To be completed by the applicant
Name of Importer/Exporter: 

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## Commodity description

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Country of origin: ............................................................... Port of entry/exit: .................................................................

Destination: ................................................................. Date of production/manufacture: ...................................................

Date of expiry: ................................................................. Expected landing/departure date: ..................................................

## Storage premises

Town: ................................................................. Street/road: ................................................................. Holding ground/warehouse No: .................................................................

Number/quantity of last import/export (Kg): ................................................................. Value (CIF): .................................................................

Purpose of import/export: Domestic/commercialaid/voluntary/donation/others (specify): ................................................................. (tick where appropriate): .................................................................

## Declaration

I/We: ................................................................. the undersigned of: ................................................................. (Company name) and being the agent/principal of: ................................................................. (importer/exporter)

do hereby declare that the information and particulars declared herein are true and complete and I/We accept to comply fully with the conditions and the requirements provided by the Meat Industry Act No. 10 of 2006 or any other Law relating to import/export of livestock or meat or meat products.

Date: ................................................................. Signature: ................................................................. Designation: .................................................................

(Note: False and missing information in may lead to invalidation of the application and or prosecution).

**For Official Use Only:**

**Part II: Evaluation**

I have scrutinized the application and recommend:

Name: ................................................................. Position: ................................................................. Signature: ................................................................. Date: .................................................................

**Part III: Approval by Registrar**

I approve/do not approve the importation/exportation of (number/Kg): ................................................................. of livestock/meat/meat products specified above.

Registrar (Name): ................................................................. Signature: ................................................................. Date: .................................................................

**Official stamp**
SECOND SCHEDULE

(Made under regulation 4(5))

IMPORT OR EXPORT CERTIFICATE FOR LIVESTOCK OR MEAT OR MEAT PRODUCTS

REF No........................................
Expiry Date..................................
Date of issue ................................

IMPORT/EXPORT CERTIFICATE

This is to clear the import/export of the listed products from/to ........................................ country as indicated in the application form and invoice/contract No............. of ........................................ (Date)
from ........................................ (Company Name), Address: ........................................

Details of the products.

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Name: ........................................ Signature: ........................................ Position: ........................................ Date: ........................................

Official Stamp

Notices

i. The certificate shall be used for one consignment only,
ii. The certificate shall not be transferable,
iii. The certificate shall not be used after expiry date,
iv. The consignment shall consist only type and quantity of livestock, meat and meat products allowed or cleared for,
v. The consignment must be cleared and inspected at the port of entry or exit,
vi. False, missing information and forgery or cheating shall lead to repeal of the certificate and or prosecution.

Dar es Salaam
29th April, 2014

TITUS D. KAMANI,
Minister for Livestock and Fisheries Development

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