

Notification of the Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives

Re: Prescribing of Characteristics and Conditions for the Prohibited Importation of Animal Feed with Risk from Avian Influenza B.E. 2560 (2017)

By the virtue of Section 5 and Section 6 (3) of the Animal Feed Quality Control Act, B.E. 2558 (2015), the Minister of Agriculture and Cooperatives, upon the recommendation of the Animal Feed Quality Control Committee, hereby notifies as follows:

Clause 1 This notification is called the "Notification of the Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives Re: Prescribing of Characteristics and Conditions for the Prohibited Importation of Animal Feed with Risk from Avian Influenza, B.E. 2560 (2017)".

Clause 2 This notification shall come into force as from the day following the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

Clause 3 Importation of poultry meal, poultry by-products meal and feather meal as raw materials for animal feed or of animal feed containing poultry meal, poultry by-product meal and feather meal ingredients from a country with suspected outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) or an outbreak reported by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) within 12 months of the last HPAI outbreak is prohibited, except when the following conditions are complied with:

(1) Poultry meal, poultry by-product meal and feather meal as raw materials for animal feed production that have been processed either:

(a) with moist heat process at a temperature no less than 118 °C that continues for at least 40 minutes; or

(b) with continuous hydrolyzing process under the steam pressure no less than 3.79 bars at a temperature no less than 122 °C that continues for at least 15 minutes; or

(c) with alternative rendering process that can be proved to heat the whole product at a temperature no less than 74 °C.

Products going through the processes under (a), (b) or (c) must have proven measures or evidences that they did not have the opportunity to come into contact with or did not come from avian influenza outbreak sources.

(2) For animal feed containing poultry meal, poultry by-product meal or feather meal ingredients, the said poultry meal, poultry by-product meal or feather meal must have been processed as prescribed in (1).

Clause 4 If there is an HPAI outbreak in countries with previous status of a country which is free from avian influenza, such country must follow the World Organization for Animal Health's (OIE) recommendations before importation is allowed.

Clause 5 Importation of animal feed derived from poultry or containing poultry ingredients or products derived from poultry must follow the rules and conditions notified by the Director-General of the Department of Livestock Development.

Notified on 28 April 2017

General Chatchai Sarikalaya

Minister of Agriculture and Cooperatives

The English version of notification is translated to meet the need of the non – Thai speaking people. In case of discrepancy between the Thai original and the English translation, the original Thai version shall prevail.