Animal & Plant Health Agency

Import of Hydrolysed Protein not for Human Consumption

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1. General Information

This Import Information Note (IIN) must be read in conjunction with the IIN for general information for imports of animal by-products (ABP), which provides information on pre-notifications, veterinary checks, risk categories etc.

General information for imports of animal by-products (ABP) (defra.gov.uk)

References to European Union (EU) legislation within this document are references to direct EU Legislation which has been assimilated in Great Britain (assimilated direct legislation), as defined in the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 and can be viewed on the UK legislation website (legislation.gov.uk).

2. Scope

Import conditions for hydrolysed protein not intended for human consumption.

Hydrolysed protein is defined in Regulation (EU) 142/2011 as polypeptides, peptides and amino acids, and mixtures thereof, obtained by the hydrolysis of animal by-products.

Hydrolysed protein may only be manufactured from Category 3 material or products which are derived from such animal by-products, other than material referred to in Article 10 (c), (l), (m), (n), (o) and (p) of Regulation (EC) 1069/2009.

3. Production standards

Hydrolysed protein must have been produced and stored in accordance with the requirements of Annex X, Chapter II, Section 5 of Regulation (EU) 142/2011. In particular it must have been submitted to the appropriate processing standards set out in point D.

4. Country of origin

Imports are permitted from trading partners listed in a document published by the Secretary of State, with the consent of the Scottish and Welsh Ministers for:

- Non-EU countries
- EU and EFTA countries

Hydrolysed protein can come from countries listed in the document for fresh meat of ungulates, the Republic of Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, or Taiwan.

In the case of hydrolysed protein derived from fish

Imports are permitted from countries listed in Annex II to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/626.

5. Approved establishments

Products must be produced in an establishment approved to export to Great Britain. Importers should check prior to importation that the premises are listed on the correct list.

Consolidated lists of approved establishments/plants are available on:

- data.gov.uk for **non-EU countries**
- and here for **EU Countries**

If the establishment or plant is not listed, importers are urged to contact the company concerned, who should contact their competent authority immediately. If the plant is not included on the appropriate list when veterinary checks are carried out the consignment is likely to be held and could be rejected and re-exported or destroyed.

6. Health certification/documentation

Imports to Great Britain must be accompanied by the appropriate health certificate **(*)**, which can be found on GOV.UK.

The health certificates are based on the requirements included in Annex XV, Chapter 12 of Regulation (EU) 142/2011.

Other animal by-products: model health certificates - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

(*) Please note that this requirement will be introduced for animal products from EU and EFTA countries in the high and medium risk categories from 31st January 2024. Further information regarding risk categories can be found at the link below.

Import risk categories for animals and animal products imported from the EU to Great Britain, from 31 January 2024 - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

7. Labelling requirements

The product must be wrapped and packaged in packaging which bears labels indicating 'NOT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION'.

8. Contact for further information

For further information regarding import requirements, contact the Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA) Imports team:

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Eden Bridge House
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