



Imported Food Inspection Scheme – importer request for exemption from microbiological testing

Section A: General information

Purpose of this form For importers to request an exemption from microbiological testing of specified food imports. Complete a separate form for each product type.

Before applying See [Full import declarations](#).

To complete this form

Electronically
Save the PDF file to your computer. You need the latest version of Adobe Acrobat Reader to save changes and lodge through the Cargo Online Lodgement System (COLS).

Manually
Use black or blue pen
Print in BLOCK LETTERS
Mark boxes with a tick or a cross

To submit this form Lodge this form with related import documents in the [Cargo Online Lodgement System](#) (COLS).

More information

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Section B: Importer

1 Name (as declared in AIMS)

2 Person authorised to sign this form (not the broker or agent)

Given name(s)

Family name

Work phone (include area code)

Mobile phone

Email

Section C: Product details and reason for exemption

Complete a separate form for each product as described on the invoice (not including package size).

3 Description of product (as described on invoice)

4 Lot number(s)

5 Quantity of product and package size(s)

6 Consignment-specific link (e.g. invoice number or airway bill number)

7 Reason for exemption from microbiological testing under the IFIS (select one box)

Food is imported as an ingredient for food manufacturing and will undergo further processing involving a heat treatment (such as commercial cooking) sufficient to inactivate microbiological hazards associated with the food.

or

Berries or pomegranate arils were imported as an ingredient or ingredients for food manufacturing and will undergo a heat treatment of at least 85°C for 1 minute or equivalent, sufficient to inactivate hepatitis A virus.

Section D: Applicant declaration

To be completed by the person named in [Section B](#) of this application (not the broker or agent).

I declare that the information I have provided is true and correct. I understand that it is a criminal offence under the *Criminal Code Act 1995* to knowingly give false or misleading information to a Commonwealth officer exercising powers under Commonwealth law. This offence carries a maximum penalty of 12 months' imprisonment.

I have read and understood the [privacy notice](#) and Privacy Policy.

Signature (enter signature or type your name)

Date (dd/mm/yyyy)

Full name

Section E: Privacy notice

'Personal information' means information or an opinion about an identified, or reasonably identifiable, individual.

The Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry collects your personal information (as defined in the *Privacy Act 1988*) in relation to this form for the purposes of assessing import documentation and exempting food not subject to the *Imported Food Control Act 1992*.

Your personal information will be used and stored in accordance with the Australian Privacy Principles.

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