

Market Access Advice

# Brazil: Update for on-line registration requirements for products of animal origin being exported to Brazil (2017-10)

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#### Attention:

Industries—Industry bodies – Australian Egg Corporation Limited, Australian Food and Grocery Council, Australian Honey Bee Industry Council, Dairy Australia.

Export establishments

Dairy products.

**Eggs** 

Honey

Processed foods

Department of Agriculture and Water Resources—Central and Regional offices

#### **Purpose**

To assist exports of products of animal origin to Brazil and notify exporters of:

The suggested documentation to use when applying for access to Brazil's Online Agricultural Management Platform (PGA/SIGSIF).

That previously submitted applications to gain access to the PGA/SIGSIF system have been discarded by the Brazilian Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Food Supply (MAPA).

### Summary of key points

Exporters are required to be registered within and use the online PGA/SIGSIF system (<a href="http://sistemasweb.agricultura.gov.br/">http://sistemasweb.agricultura.gov.br/</a>) when exporting products of animal origin to Brazil.

- The online system was explained in MAA 2017-07

Exporters are recommended to supply the following documentation when applying for access to PGA/SIGSIF;

- A declaration in Portuguese, nominating company personnel to be granted access. The declaration must be signed by a public notary **(Attachment 1)**.

- A copy of the "Certificate of Registration of an Export Registered Establishment" for each establishment number, to show association between the person on the declaration and the establishment.

Submissions for access to the PGA/SIGSIF submitted before 7 July 2017 have been discarded by the Brazilian Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Food Supply (MAPA) and exporters may need to re-apply.

#### Requirements for the resubmission of information to MAPA

MAPA has advised in Circular no. 1/2017/DIPOA/SDA dated 7 July 2017 **(Attachment 2 and 3)** that due to changes to product registration, packaging and label requirements issued in Decree No 9.013, previous requests to register products of animal origin from foreign establishments made via PGA/SIGSIF, have been withdrawn.

The department recommends that exporters with pending applications work with their importers or agents to verify their applications status. Establishments may need to resubmit requests via the PGA/SIGSIF system with revisions to ensure conformity to the changes provided in Decree No 9.013, of 29 March 2017.

## Further information to MAA1705 on registering to the Agricultural Management Platform

When applying for access to the PGA/SIGSIF system, establishments must nominate a company official for approval for access as 'manager of external access'. The approved company official can then grant access to others.

The department recommends providing MAPA with a declaration in Portuguese such as the one at **Attachment 1**, nominating company personnel to be granted access. The declaration should be signed by a public notary.

Establishments may provide their "Certificate of Registration of an Export Registered Establishment" for each Establishment Number. MAPA has not confirmed this will be satisfactory, but the department understands this is the approach by other countries.

Establishments will need to ensure that anyone they are nominating for access as 'manager of external access' is named on the establishment registration certificate as being in management and control. If they are not currently listed on the certificate this can be amended by lodging an application with the department's Audit Services at <a href="mailto:AuditServices@agriculture.gov.au">AuditServices@agriculture.gov.au</a>.

MAPA has advised that it is best to provide access as 'manager of external access' to more than one person; in the case that there is only one person and they leave the establishment, a new application for access will need to be lodged with MAPA.

#### **Background**

This advice applies to the export of products of animal origin to Brazil and provides an update to MAA 2017-07 concerning MAPA's online-registration system, PGA/SIGSIF accessible at <a href="http://sistemasweb.agricultura.gov.br/">http://sistemasweb.agricultura.gov.br/</a>. The registration process is administrative in nature and is the responsibility of the relevant commercial parties.

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The information provided in this advice is current at the time of writing and is intended for use as guidance only and should not be taken as definitive or exhaustive. The Commonwealth endeavours to keep information current and accurate, however, it may be subject to change without notice. Exporters are encouraged to verify these details with their importers prior to undertaking production/exports. The Commonwealth will not accept liability for any loss resulting from reliance on information contained in this notice.

#### **Further information**

Contact <a href="mailto:exports@agriculture.gov.au">exports@agriculture.gov.au</a> if you have any queries.