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CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
NO. 66 - 2024

**To : ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER
ALL DEPUTY COMMISSIONERS
ALL DIRECTORS AND DIVISION CHIEFS
ALL DISTRICT AND SUB-PORT COLLECTORS
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED**

**SUBJECT: BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY (BAI) MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
NO. 14 SERIES OF 2024 WITH SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO THE
MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR 38 SERIES OF 2021, BAI-NATIONAL
VETERINARY QUARANTINE SERVICES DIVISION REGULATED
COMMODITIES**

This has reference to the herein attached letter dated 19 March 2024 from Romeo J. Manalili, DVM, PHD, Officer-In-Charge, Assistant Director, BAI on the abovementioned subject.

As stated in the letter, the BAI received requests for certifications from importers regarding their consignment of Semen Extenders tagged under HS Code 05.1199 (Other including Domestic Animal Semen, silkworm eggs, natural sponges etc.).

Upon verification, semen extenders are safe commodities categorized under the Pharmaceutical Products (38.2499).

Further, BAI certified that commercially prepared semen extenders do not contain Animal and/or its by-products such as Ova/Egg or Semen which may impose risk to Animal, Human and Plant Health. They reiterate that these biological reagents do not require Sanitary and Phytosanitary Import Clearance (SPSIC) from the BAI. Semen extenders are purely biological reagents that give nutritional support for domestic animal semen when processed for artificial insemination.

To clarify, unless the intended commodity to be imported is Semen of Animal origin, BAI holds no position to process any SPSIC application or facilitate this importation.

Lastly, BAI reiterates Memorandum No. 14 Series of 2024 with the subject: **AMENDMENT TO THE MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR 38 SERIES OF 2021, BAI-NVQSDS REGULATED COMMODITIES**, on the list of animals, animal products and



by-products regulated by the BAI-National Veterinary Quarantine Services Division and its corresponding HS Codes as herein attached.

For records purposes, please confirm the dissemination of this circular throughout your offices within fifteen (15) days from receipt thereof.

For information and guidance.

BIENVENIDO Y. RUBIO
Commissioner



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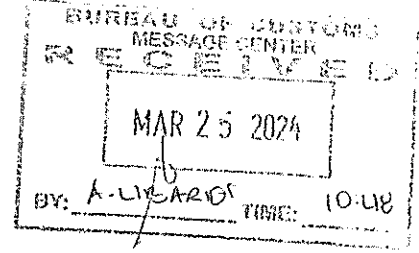
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Dear Hon. Commissioner Rubio,

Greetings from the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI)!

Sir, we are writing to your good office since we have received requests for certifications from importers regarding their consignment of Semen Extenders tagged under IIS Code 05.1199 (--Other including Domestic Animal Semen, silkworm eggs, natural sponges etc.).

Upon verification, semen extenders are safe commodities categorized under the Pharmaceutical Products (38.2499). Further, we certify that commercially prepared semen extenders do not contain Animal and/or its by-products such as Ova/Egg or Semen which may impose risk to Animal, Human and Plant health. We reiterate that these biological reagents do not require Sanitary and Phytosanitary Import Clearance (SPSIC) from the Bureau of Animal Industry. Semen extenders are purely biological reagents that give nutritional support for domestic animal semen when processed for artificial insemination.

The BAI-National Veterinary Quarantine Services Division has been streamlining its services for improved efficiency since 2023. To clarify, unless the intended commodity to be imported is Semen of Animal origin, this Bureau holds no position to process any SPSIC application or facilitate this importation. Further, our office reiterates Memorandum no. 14, series of 2024 on the list of Regulated Commodities under the National Veterinary Quarantine Services Division.

We request your kind understanding and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

No. 14
Series of 2024

SUBJECT : AMENDMENT TO THE MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR 38 SERIES OF 2021, BAI-NVQSD REGULATED COMMODITIES

In furtherance to the implementation of DA Administrative Circular No. 6, series of 2022 and Administrative Circular no. 2, series of 2023, listed below are the **animals, animal products and by-products** regulated by the **BAI-National Veterinary Quarantine Services Division** and its corresponding HS Codes (Heading).

A. Chapter 1 - LIVE ANIMALS

- 01.01 Live horses, asses, mules and hinnies.
- 01.02 Live bovine animals.
- 01.03 Live swine.
- 01.04 Live sheep and goats.
- 01.05 Live poultry, that is to say, fowls of the species *Gallus domesticus*, ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea fowls.
- 01.06 Other live animals; EXCEPT FOR 0106.12.00 (--Whales, dolphins and porpoises (mammals of the Order Cetacea); manatees and dugongs (mammals of the Order Sirenia); seals, sea lions and walruses (mammals of the suborder Pinnipedia).

B. Chapter 2 - MEAT AND EDIBLE MEAT OFFAL

- 02.01 Meat of bovine animals, fresh or chilled.
- 02.02 Meat of bovine animals, frozen.
- 02.03 Meat of swine, fresh, chilled or frozen.
- 02.04 Meat of sheep or goats, fresh, chilled or frozen.
- 02.05 Meat of horses, asses, mules or hinnies, fresh, chilled or frozen
- 02.06 Edible offal of bovine animals, swine, sheep, goats, horses, asses, mules or hinnies, fresh, chilled or frozen.
- 02.07 Meat and edible offal, of the poultry of heading 01.05, fresh, chilled or frozen.
- 02.08 Other meat and edible meat offal, fresh, chilled or frozen; EXCEPT FOR 0208.40 (--Of whales, dolphins and porpoises (mammals of the order Cetacea); manatees and dugongs (mammals of the order Sirenia); seals, sea lions and walruses (mammals of the suborder Pinnipedia).
- 02.09 Pig fat, free of lean meat, and poultry fat, not rendered or otherwise extracted, fresh, chilled, frozen, salted, in brine, dried or smoked (for those that are processed but not fully heat treated).
- 02.10 Meat and edible meat offal, salted, in brine, dried or smoked*; edible flours and meals of meat or meat offal, EXCEPT FOR 0210.92 (--Of whales,





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dolphins and porpoises (mammals of the order Cetacea); manatees and dugongs (mammals of the order Sirenia); seals, sea lions and walruses (mammals of the suborder Pinnipedia).

C. Chapter 4 - DAIRY PRODUCE; BIRDS' EGGS; NATURAL HONEY; EDIBLE PRODUCTS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED OR INCLUDED

- 04.07 Birds' eggs, in shell, fresh, preserved or cooked. (Only for hatching eggs and fresh eggs)
- 04.09 Natural honey. (If raw and without any added ingredients)
- 04.10 Edible products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified or included.

D. Chapter 5 - PRODUCTS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED OR INCLUDED

- 05.02 Pigs', hogs' or boars' bristles and hair; badger hair and other brush making hair; waste of such bristles or hair.
- 05.04 Guts, bladders and stomachs of animals (other than fish), whole and pieces thereof, fresh, chilled, frozen, salted, in brine, dried or smoked.
- 05.10 Ambergris, castoreum, civet and musk; cantharides; bile, whether or not dried; glands and other animal products used in the preparation of pharmaceutical products, fresh, chilled, frozen or otherwise provisionally preserved.
- 05.11 Animal products not elsewhere specified or included; dead animals of Chapter 1 or 3, unfit for human consumption; EXCEPT FOR 0511.91 (-- Products of fish or crustaceans, molluscs or other aquatic invertebrates; dead animals of Chapter 3).

E. Chapter 15 - ANIMAL OR VEGETABLE FATS AND OILS AND THEIR CLEAVAGE PRODUCTS; PREPARED EDIBLE FATS; ANIMAL OR VEGETABLE

- 15.01 Pig fat (including lard) and poultry fat, other than that of heading 02.09 or 15.03.
- 15.02 Fats of bovine animals, sheep or goats, other than those of heading 15.03.
- 15.05 Wool grease and fatty substances derived therefrom (including lanolin).
- 15.06 Other animal fats and oils and their fractions, whether or not refined, but not chemically modified.

F. Chapter 41 - RAW HIDES AND SKINS (OTHER THAN FURSKINS) AND LEATHER

- 41.01 Raw hides and skins of bovine (including buffalo) or equine animals (fresh, or salted, dried, limed, pickled or otherwise preserved, but not tanned, parchment-dressed or further prepared), whether or not dehaired or split.
- 41.02 Raw skins of sheep or lambs (fresh, or salted, dried, limed, pickled or otherwise preserved, but not tanned, parchment-dressed or further





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prepared), whether or not with wool on or split, other than those excluded by Note 1(c) to this Chapter.


41.03 Other raw hides and skins (fresh, or salted, dried, limed, pickled or otherwise preserved, but not tanned, parchment-dressed or further prepared), whether or not dehaired or split, other than those excluded by Note 1(b) or 1(c) to this Chapter.

G. Chapter 43 FURSKINS AND ARTIFICIAL FUR; MANUFACTURES THEREOF

43.01 Raw furskins (including heads, tails, paws and other pieces or cuttings, suitable for furriers' use), other than raw hides and skins of heading 41.01, 41.02 or 41.03.

For your information and guidance.

Done this 15th day of March, 2024.


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Officer-in-Charge, Director

