



United States  
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Food Safety  
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Service

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### Letterhead Certificate for Export of Beef and Beef Offal to Japan

Date Issued: \_\_\_\_\_ Certificate Number: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Cattle slaughtered for the production of the exported beef to Japan (hereinafter referred to as “the slaughtered cattle”) have been born and raised only in the USA, or legally imported from Canada, or legally imported from the third free countries listed here and raised in the USA. Third free countries are: Norway, Hungary, Iceland, Mexico, Belize, Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama, Dominican Republic, Chile, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, New Zealand, Vanuatu, New Caledonia, Australia
2. The slaughtered cattle were not suspect or confirmed BSE cases, or confirmed or suspected progenies, or cohorts of BSE cases, as defined in the Terrestrial Animal Health Code adopted by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE).
3. The slaughtered cattle were found to be sound and healthy as a result of ante- and post-mortem inspections conducted by USDA veterinary inspectors in the designated facilities at the time of slaughter.
4. The exported beef to Japan fulfilled all of the required conditions described in the EV Program. In case the slaughtered cattle have been legally imported from Canada, criteria 5.2.1.1 or 5.2.1.2 of the EV program is applied in order to verify 20 months of age or younger. In case the slaughter cattle have been legally imported from the third free countries listed above other than Mexico and raised in the USA, only criteria 5.2.1.1 of the EV Program is applied in order to verify 20 months of age or younger.
5. The exported beef to Japan has been handled at the designated facilities in such a way as to prevent contamination with any causative agents of animal infectious diseases until shipment to Japan.

Signature of FSIS Inspection Official: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Professional Degree: \_\_\_\_\_