

## Unprocessed Poultry Products

The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) of the USDA is responsible for export certification of meat products for human consumption. Exporters may contact the FSIS Technical Service Center at 402-221-7400 for assistance.

Other unprocessed poultry products are believed to require at least the following certifications on a VS Form 16-4:

**"There have been no outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (fowl plague) for at least 90 days in the United States. Further to the best of Veterinary Services' knowledge, in the area where birds for export meat were produced (such an area being within a minimum radius of 50 kilometers from the production farm), no outbreaks of Newcastle disease, fowl cholera, or other serious infectious fowl diseases as recognized by the government of the United states, have occurred for at least 90 days."**

Japanese import requirements may vary depending on the specific port of entry into Japan. Exporters should have their importers **confirm** with the Japanese animal quarantine office (Animal Quarantine Service) at the port of entry **prior** to export that all necessary paper work is in order.

**Exporters should also consult the topic: "Important information regarding trade bans on poultry products" on the Japan general information page for other important relevant information.**