

Dear IDFL members

I would like to share below information released by China Feather and Down Industrial Association (CFDIA) regarding Changed Import Quarantine Regulations for Washed Down and Feathers. Please pay attention when shipping washed down and feathers to China to avoid issues with custom clearance.

Kind regards,

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Dear friends:

Recently, General Administration of Customs of the P. R. China (GACC) has issued the notice which adjusts the importation quarantine measure to washed down and feather. CFDIA held an explanation on 30th August, unscrambling the new policy to member companies. We also summary the key requirements as below for your reference:

#### A. The Importation Quarantine Measure Adjustment to Washed Down and Feather

The testing to washed down and feather will follow GB/T 17685-2016 Down and Feather, but the judgment standard for qualification is adjusted to: Turbidity  $\geq 50$ mm (no oxygen number test required).

If the turbidity testing get a failed result, the sample of down and feather needs to have a test for Avian Influenza.

1. For positive result, the batch will be returned or destroyed.
2. For negative result, on the basis of actual situation of the port and company's willingness, the batch can be released after having effective fumigation treatment or thorough water washing in specific down and feather processing company.

#### B. The Policy of the Registration of Company Exporting Washed Down and Feather to China

1. For the 10 countries which have signed the bilateral agreement with China, only the listed companies can export washed down and feather material to China. The 10 countries are Thailand, Poland, UK, Hungary, South Korea, New Zealand, Finland, Vietnam, France and Germany. The list of companies can be viewed through the following link:

<http://en.cfd.com.cn/index.php?s=/Web/News/detail/id/2653.html>

2. At present, for the countries where bilateral agreement is not reached yet, the export of down and feather processing company to China is not restricted by the registration list temporarily, and the company can have customs clearance normally.

3. It is the general trend that China Customs regulates traditional trade and implements company registration system. So as not to affect the subsequent down and feather export to China, unregistered foreign down and feather processing companies should cooperate with the local agricultural management department, reach bilateral agreement and finish the registration as quickly as possible.

The Explanation for Related Policy of the Registration can be viewed through the following link.

<http://en.cfd.com.cn/index.php?s=/Web/News/detail/id/2044.html>

CFDIA asks all related parties to pay attention to the up-mentioned items and forward this notice to your member companies, more importantly, avoid customs clearance problem before shipment.

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