

ATTACHMENT

**INSPECTION AND QUARANTINE
REQUIREMENTS FOR EXPORT OF FROZEN
FRUITS FROM CENTRAL AND EASTERN
EUROPEAN COUNTRIES TO CHINA**

Article 1 REFERENCES

1. *The Law of the People's Republic of China on the Entry and Exit Animal and Plant Quarantine; Regulations for the Implementation of the Law of the People's Republic of China on the Entry and Exit Animal and Plant Quarantine;*
2. *Food Safety Law of the People's Republic of China; Regulations for the Implementation of the Food Safety Law of the People's Republic of China;*
3. International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM)

Article 2 COMMODITIES ALLOWED FOR ENTRY

The frozen fruit referred in this Requirement is the fruit which has been subjected to a quick freezing process at -18°C or lower temperature for at least 30 minutes, and stored and transported at -18°C or colder environment after the removal of non-edible peels and stones, according to requirements of “*Code of Practice for the Processing and Handling of Quick Frozen Foods*” in the *Codex Alimentarius* (CAC/RCP 8-1976).

Article 3 PERMITTED COUNTRIES OF EXPORT

Central and Eastern European countries that export frozen fruits to China.

**Article 4 PERMITTED PROCESSING PLANTS AND
FREEZING PROCESSING FACILITIES**

All processing plants and freezing processing facilities that participate in the production of frozen fruits to be exported to China must be registered in the Exporting Country's Responsible Authority (hereinafter referred to as the “Exporting Country Authority”), evaluated by General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China (hereinafter

referred to as the “GACC”), and approved for registration by both sides. The list of registration will be published on the GACC’s website.

The registered information includes the category of export products and the exporter’s name, address and registration code, which will be utilized for source-tracking of export products which are unqualified with this document.

During the first year after the project initiates, the GACC will organize experts for an on-site or remote audit and approval for the processing plants that produce frozen fruits to be exported to China. After then, the Exporting Country Authority shall submit verification materials of the new registration to the GACC for the evaluation and approval by the GACC. The on-site audit shall be conducted by the GACC, if necessary.

Article 5 PRE-EXPORT REQUIREMENTS

5.1 Orchards Management

(1) All orchards exporting frozen fruits to China must have programs of Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) and Integrated Pest Management (IPM) in place, or apply the principle of Integrated Production (IP), to minimize or prevent the occurrence of pests.

(2) Growers must conduct regular testing of toxic substances such as pesticide residue and heavy metals on fresh fruits, to ensure the compliance with China’s national food safety standards. The Exporting Country Authority shall manage and supervise orchards and submit testing reports to the GACC when needed.

5.2 Processing Plants Management

(1) The quick freezing, storage and transport of frozen fruits to be exported to China must be conducted under the supervision of the Exporting Country Authority.

(2) The processing plants of frozen fruits to be exported to China must have a Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) system in place and follow the *Code of Practice for the Processing and Handling of*

Quick Frozen Foods” in the Codex Alimentarius (CAC/RCP 8-1976), referred to the preparation, processing, storage and transport of frozen fruits to ensure product quality and sanitation. Each processing plant must establish a source-tracking system covering the pathway from the processing plant to orchards

(3) The processing plants must have personnel to screen fresh fruits, discard sick fruits, eliminate insects, mites, branches/leaves and soil from the surface of fruits. The packing, storage and transport of frozen fruits must be conducted in hygiene and clean conditions.

(4) The processing plants must conduct regular testing of toxic substances such as pesticide residue and heavy metals on frozen fruits, to ensure the compliance with China’s national food safety standards. The Exporting Country Authority shall conduct sample inspection and submit testing reports to the GACC when needed.

(5) The processing plants must enhance staff protection and prevent the product or package from being contaminated by COVID-19 virus by following relevant COVID-19 protection guidelines published by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the World Health Organization (WHO).

5.3 Packing Requirements

(1) Frozen fruits exported to China must be packaged in new and clean packaging materials in accordance with China’s plant quarantine requirements and food hygiene standards. Each package of frozen fruits must have a label in Chinese or English indicating the type of fruits (species), the country of export, the origin, the name or registration number of the processing plant, the exporter company’s name, the date of packing, the quality guarantee period, and net weight.

(2) Each pallet and package box must be marked with the following legend in Chinese or English: “Exported to the People’s Republic of China” (输往中华人民共和国).

(3) If wood packaging material is used, it must comply with International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures No. 15 (ISPM 15).

5.4 Pre-Exit Inspection and Quarantine

Before the export, the Exporting Country Authority must perform the inspection and quarantine at 2% for each consignment to verify that the amount of pathogenic microorganism, pesticide residues and heavy metals do not exceed the limits of China's mandatory standards. If any anomaly is detected, the consignment cannot be exported to China.

5.5 Required Official Certificates

For each consignment of frozen fruits that meets the inspection and quarantine requirements, the Exporting Country Authority must provide a Health Certificate, Sanitation Certificate, Phytosanitary Certificate or other equivalent certificate with the following additional declaration: "The consignment is in compliance with Requirements of Inspection and Quarantine for Export of Frozen Fruits from Central and Eastern European Countries to China" (该批货物符合中东欧国家冷冻水果输华检验检疫要求). The certificate must also indicate the temperature of quick freezing, freezing processing time and the establishment where the frozen fruits were processed.

Before the trade starts, the Exporting Country Authority must provide the GACC with samples of the certificates for confirmation.

Article 6 ENTRY INSPECTION AND QUARANTINE

When the consignment of frozen fruits arrives at Chinese port of entry, China Customs will conduct inspection and quarantine in accordance with relevant laws, regulations and rules. Only compliant consignments are allowed for entry.

If any anomaly is detected regarding the hazardous organisms, pesticide residues, pathogenic microorganism or other health/sanitation requirements, the consignment will be returned or disposed.