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**FOOD SAFETY CONTROL OF FISH AND
FISHERY PRODUCTS FOR EXPORT
TO CHINA**



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1. Co-operation on food safety control of imported and exported fishery products between Vietnam and China

a. Bilateral agreements :

○ **Food safety control of fish and fishery products:**

- *Co-operation agreement on food safety control between the General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of China (AQSIQ) and the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of Vietnam (MARD) was signed in 2008.*
- *Co-operation agreement between MARD and AQSIQ safety control of import and export of fish and fishery products, signed in 2014.*

Contents:

- Scope: all fish and fishery products for human consumption;

Food safety control:

- + Quarterly provide the updated information (name, address and registered number) of fishery processing establishments registered to export products to the country of the other side.



1. Co-operation on food safety control of imported and exported fishery products between Vietnam and China

a. Bilateral agreements :

Contents of cooperation (cont.):

- + Agree and inform to the other party model health/quarantine certificate;
- + Exchange information on inspection and certification procedures for fish and fishery product batches intended for export to the other Party's country;
- + Provide non-compliant consignments of fish and fishery products to the other Party's country.

Other provisions: cooperate in testing technology; capacity building; training technicians, international multilateral occasions, food safety requirements exchanged by border population



1. Co-operation on food safety control of imported and exported fishery products between Vietnam and China

a. Bilateral agreements :

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- **Quarantine:** *Agreement between MARD and AQSIQ on inspection, quarantine of the import and export of animals and plants signed in 2013*

Contents :

- Scope : All kinds of animal and animal's products; plant and plant's products
- Contents of cooperation :
 - + Inform each other the regulation and the procedures on inspection and quarantine;
 - + Timely notify and exchange information, consultancy for resolution of arose problems;
 - + Develop cooperation programs



1. Co-operation on food safety control of imported and exported fishery products between Vietnam and China

a. **Bilateral agreements :**

- **Quarantine (cont.):**

- + Hold regular meetings according to the needs of cooperation in order to consult on the main concerning issues of each Party;

- + Appoint the competent authorities to establish two (02) technical working groups to collaborate on inspection, and quarantine of animal and animal's products; plant and plant's products, including:

Technical working group on inspection, and quarantine of animal and animal's products: for MARD: the Department of Animal Health and NAFIQAD;

Technical working group on inspection, and quarantine of plant and plant's products

for MARD: the Department of Plant Protection and NAFIQAD.



1. Co-operation on food safety control of imported and exported fishery products between Vietnam and China

a. Implemented activities :

Food safety control:

- Update list of fishery establishments approved for export to each country: NAFIQAD and CNCA have quarterly carried out under the Co-operation Agreement.
- Provide of non-compliant consignments of fish and fishery products: NAFIQAD (collaboration with DAH) and Bureau of Import and Export Food Safety of China have implemented as agreed
- Exchange missions: MARD and AQSIQ have periodically sent delegations to each other to deal with food safety issues:
 - *Vietnamese delegations to China: 2012, 2013, 2014*
 - *Chinese Delegations to Vietnam: 2011, 2013, 2015*



1. Co-operation on food safety control of imported and exported fishery products between Vietnam and China

a. Implemented activities :

Quarantine:

Appoint members of technical working groups (TWGs) on inspection and quarantine of animals and plants in 2014. However, no meeting has been held for the members of TWG to exchange the implementation of the Agreement.

2. Chinese legislation

The Food Safety Law (promulgated in 2009, amended in 2015).

Decree No. 557 of the Government on the implementation of Food Safety Law in 2009.

- Order 135 of AQSIQ on inspection, quarantine and supervision of imported and exported fishery products in 2011
- Notice No 286 detailing the implementation of the Order 135
- Order 44 in 2003 of AQSIQ: Administrative Measure on Entry Inspection and Quarantine of Aquatics

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2. Chinese legislation

Standards (Mandatory) about food safety norms and permissible limits:

GB 2733-2005: Hygienic Standards for fresh (frozen) marine products of animal origin;

GB 10132-2005: Hygienic Standards for marine products

- GB 10144-2005: Hygienic Standards for dried aquatic animal products
- GB 14939-2005: Hygienic Standards for canned fish
- GB 16565-2003: Hygienic Standards for fried food
- GB 2762-2005: Max levels in foods of contaminants
- GB 29921 —2013: Pathogen limit in foods
- GB-2760-2007: Hygienic Standards for uses of food additives.

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3. Food safety control of fish and fishery for export in compliance with Chinese regulations

a. Inspection and monitoring food safety conditions of FBOs during production

In accordance with Circular No. 48/2013/TT-BNNPTNT, The National Technical Regulations laid down by MARD, in details:

- Types of inspection: inspection, verification; regular inspection; random inspection .
- Classification : 4 Class (Class 1: Very good; Class 2: Good; Class 3: Pass; Class 4: Fail.)
- Regular inspection frequency: Enterprises classified as being of Class 1 or 2: once a year; Class 3: once every 6 months; Class 4: depending on deficiencies, inspecting bodies decide inspection frequency but no later than 03 (three) months from last inspection.



3. Food safety control of fish and fishery for export in compliance with Chinese regulations

a. Inspection and monitoring food safety conditions of FBOs during production(cont):

- Items of inspection :

+ Food safety conditions of premises, equipments and production staff;

+ HACCP based quality management programs;

+ Procedures on traceability and product recall;

+ Sampling to verify effectiveness of own checks by such enterprise

Results: Total Vietnamese fishery establishments approved for export to China: 623 establishments (updated in July, 2015).

3. Food safety control of fish and fishery for export in compliance with Chinese regulations

b. Inspection, certification for consignments of fishery products for export :

In accordance with Circular No 48/2013/TT-BNNPTNT; Decision No 2864/QĐ-BNN-QLCL, No 1471/QĐ-BNN-QLCL and NAFIQAD's official letters, in details:

- Establishments in the priority list: sampling ratio for verification frequency: 2-25% of in-process lots; export consignment shall be granted Health Certificate within 01 (one) working day on receipt of completed registration
- Enterprises out of the priority list : sampling 100% export consignment .



3. Food safety control of fish and fishery for export in compliance with Chinese regulations

b. Inspection, certification for consignments of fishery products for export (cont):

- Safe criteria to be tested: As required by importing country (which have been included into Decision No 2864/QĐ-BNN-QLCL, No 1471/QĐ-BNN-QLCL and NAFIQAD's official letters).

Results: : In 2014, NAFIQAD has granted health certificates for over 3,000 consignments of fishery products (equivalent to 53.100 tons) for export to China; turnover was 479.6 million USD, increasing 6.12% in comparison with 2013 (source of VASEP).

Number of non-compliant consignments of fishery products in 2014: 04 consignments (0.13%).



4. Emerging issues

a. Live black tiger shrimps exported to China :

- Being under export suspension to China (due to detection with diseases: WSSV, IHHNV, MBV, TSV)
- NAFIQAD has given instructions to FBOs, local competent authorities and coordinated with DHA to perform the sampling for disease surveillance, inspect and upgrade veterinary hygiene conditions and free-disease of shrimp farms
- NAFIQAD has provided additional information at the request of AQSIQ
- Chinese mission is working in Vietnam on this issue.

b. Fish oil exported to China:

- NAFIQAD sent tentative working schedule for AQSIQ delegation (pending Chinese response).



Reference documents

1. Food Safety Law. No. 55/2010/QH12 dated 1 July 2010 of the National Assembly
2. Decree No. 38/2012/NĐ-CP dated 11 June 2012 of the Government detailing the implementation of some articles of the Food Safety Law.
3. Joint Circular No. 13/2014/TTLT-BYT-BCT-BNNPTNT on allocation of tasks and cooperation among regulatory agencies in food safety management
4. Decision No. 670/QĐ-BNN-TCCB on functions, responsibilities, powers and organizational structure of the National Agro-Forestry-Fisheries Quality Assurance Department (NAFIQAD)
5. Circular No. 25/2010/TT-BNNPTNT of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development guiding on the food hygiene and safety control for imported foodstuff of animal origin



Reference documents (cont)

6. Consolidate No. 06/VBHN-BNNPTNT incorporating Circular No. 47/2009/TT-BNNPTNT and Circular No. 02/2012/TT-BNNPTNT (promulgating National technical regulations on food safety conditions in fishery production and trade)
7. Circular No. 48/2013/TT-BNNPTNT of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development on pre-export inspection and certification for seafood safety
8. Co-operation agreement between MARD and AQSIQ safety control of import and export of fish and fishery products, signed in 2014
9. Relevant regulations on food safety laid down by the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development and the Ministry of Health.



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