SFA Export Library Market Reports on Food Import Regulations and Standards

Country of Origin	Singapore (SG)
Country of Destination	Russia (RUS)
Food Product Category	Fish and Seafood Products
Product Code	HS Codes: 0302 – 0309, 1604/05

The information in this document has been compiled and provided by the Singapore Food Agency (SFA). SFA emphasises that importers and exporters have the responsibility to find out the import requirements of destination countries/regions/markets. Exporters are advised to confirm with their importers on the import requirements and eligibility of their product before exporting.

SN	Sub-header	Details
1	**Product eligibility / ineligibility**	Fish and seafood products from Singapore are eligible for export to Russia.
2	**Importing country authority**	Federal Service for Veterinary and Phytosanitary Supervision (Rosselkhoznadzor) of Ministry of Agriculture of the Russian Federation (Minselkhoz) monitors veterinary and phytosanitary conditions and enforces Russian legal requirements for animal and plant health. Rosselkhoznadzor is responsible for protecting the Russian Federation from animal (both terrestrial and aquatic) and plant diseases. Federal Agency for Fishery (Rosrybolovstvo) of Minselkhoz is responsible for control in fisheries and conservation of marine biological resources in Russia's inland waters as well as development of aquaculture in Russia. Rospotrebnadzor also oversees production activities on board fishing vessels. Federal Service for the Oversight of Consumer Protection and Welfare (Rospotrebnadzor) is responsible for carrying out federal state sanitary and epidemiological supervision. Rospotrebnadzor oversees the domestic foodstuffs market in Russia. Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation (Minpromtorg) oversees non-tariff regulation measures for external economic activity including licensing and quota administration.
3	**Pre-export**	**Country Level Approval**

	approvals by the importing country	According to Decision of Council of the Eurasian Economic Commission of 9 October 2014, No. 94 on Regulations on Common System of Joint Inspections of Facilities and Sampling of Goods (Products), Subject to Veterinary Control (Supervision) (English version), countries or regions exporting fish and seafood products to Russia must pass the audit of the Rosselkhoznadzor. Countries that have passed the audit can query in the "import, export and transshipment" section of the official website. Singapore (Сингапур) is listed together with a published preliminary report (Предварительный отчет) in the national audits and inspections (Аудиты. Инспекции) for fish and seafood products. Moreover, countries and regions should not appear on the embargo list provided for Decree President of The Russian Federation No. 560 On the Extension of Certain Special Economic Measures Aimed at Ensuring the Safety of the Russian Federation. **Establishments** According to Decision of Council of the Eurasian Economic Commission of 9 October 2014, No. 94 on Regulations on Common System of Joint Inspections of Facilities and Sampling of Goods (Products), Subject to Veterinary Control (Supervision) (English version), after the exporting country or region passes the audit of Rosselkhoznadzor, the establishment shall apply through Singapore Food Agency (SFA) to Rosselkhoznadzor. After passing the audit of Rosselkhoznadzor, the establishment must be included in the enterprise registration list of a third country before qualified to export fish and seafood products to Russia. Currently there are some Singapore fishery establishments approved in the register of enterprises (Реестр предприятий третьих стран). Please also refer to status (Статус) column for the latest scope and validity (to check if the establishment is approved but excluded). To be considered for listing by Rosselkhoznadzor, the establishment must meet Russia's regulations and standards before submitting their form online to the Singapore Food Agency (SFA). Russia requires SFA, the competent authority of the exporting country, to verify before recommending to Rosselkhoznadzor for final decision. Approved establishments are subject to periodic audits or on-site inspections by SFA or Russia's Rosselkhoznadzor to ensure compliance to the Russian regulations and standards. **Import Restrictions**

		Rosselkhoznadzor has published import restriction measures (Ограничения на ввоз) in view of diseases such as monkey pox, peste des petits ruminants (PPR) and contagious bovine pleuropneumonia. **Importer: Import License** According to Decision of the Commission Customs Union of 18 June 2010, No. 317 on Application of Veterinary and Sanitary Measures in the Eurasian Economic Union / Decision, the importer shall obtain the paper or electronic import license issued by Rosselkhoznadzor before import, which is valid for one year. **Importer: Genetically Modified Products** According to Resolution of the Government of the Russian Federation of 23 September 2013, No. 839 on the State Registration of Genetically Engineered Organisms Intended for Release into the Environment as well as Products Derived from the Use of Such Organisms or Containing Such Organisms, before importing genetically modified food, the importer must apply to Rospotrebnadzor for national registration along with supporting documents.
4	**Export certificates for food**	An Export Health Certificate issued by SFA is required for each consignment. For exports that require an Export Health Certificate, you may forward the import permit / conditions to SFA here. Rosselkhoznadzor has published bilaterally agreed veterinary certificate for food fish, seafood, finished products exported from the Republic of Singapore to the Russian Federation (Ветеринарный сертификат на экспортируемые из Республики Сингапур в Российскую Федерацию пищевую рыбу, морепродукты, готовые изделия из них) under veterinary certificates (Ветсертификаты). According to Decision of the Commission Customs Union of 18 June 2010, No. 317 on Application of Veterinary and Sanitary Measures in the Eurasian Economic Union / Decision, food products of animal origin (excluding certain products: for the list of specific products that do not require a veterinary health certificate, please refer to the product certification requirements as set out in the list in Appendix N1 of N.317) exported to Russia must be accompanied by a veterinary certificate (see Form N 4 (1) and Appendix 4 to the Unified Form of Veterinary Certificate Form N4 – Форма N 4 (1) and Приложение 4 – for finished dairy, fish and oil products) veterinary certificate issued by the competent authority of the exporting country. In particular, the

		fresh chilled and frozen raw meat, raw milk and table eggs stated in the veterinary certificate shall meet the conditions laid down in Chapter 38 to be free from applicable contagious animal diseases such as contagious pleuropneumonia, rinderpest, swine fever, avian influenza, and Newcastle disease. **Importer: Certificate of State Registration & Declaration of Conformity** Decision of the Commission Customs Union of 28 May 2010, No. 299 on the Unified List of Goods Subject to Sanitary and Epidemiological Supervision (Control) at the Customs Border and Customs Territory of the Customs Union stipulates the type of food products (including those imported for the first time into the customs territory of the Customs Union) that require the importer to apply for a certificate of state registration. Technical Regulations of the Customs Union (TR CU 021/2011) on the Safety of Food Products (English version) stipulates that importers shall apply to an officially recognized certification body for a Declaration of Conformity to confirm that the product meets the requirements of the technical regulations. This regulation currently applies to all food products including milk and milk products, meat and meat products, as well as fish and fish products. Russia is making draft amendments to TR 021/2011 as per WTO notification. Decision of the Board of the Eurasian Economic Commission of 25 December 2012, No. 293 on the Unified Forms of Certificate of Conformity and Declaration of Conformity with the Requirements of the Technical Regulations of the Eurasian Economic Union and the Rules of Their Registration stipulates the format and filling requirements of the Declaration of Conformity.
5	**Regulations and standards**	Interested exporters who wish to export fish and seafood products to Russia must meet all their regulations and standards. The following links are provided as a guide: **(1) Pesticides Residues** Appendix 3 of Technical Regulations of the Customs Union (TR CU 021/2011) on the Safety of Food Products (English version) stipulates the maximum residue limits of listed pesticides in foods. Appendix 10 stipulates the pesticides prohibited for usage in production of food raw materials for production of food for child nutrition.

		(2) Veterinary Drug Residues Decision of the Board of the Eurasian Economic Commission of 13 February 2018, No. 28 on the Maximum Allowable Levels of Residues of Veterinary Medicines (Pharmacological Active Substances) Which Can Contain in Unprocessed Food Products of Animal Origin, Including Raw Materials, and Methods of Their Determination stipulates the maximum residue limit of listed veterinary drugs in various parts of the animal including meat, fish, milk, and eggs. **(3) Contaminants** Appendix 3 of Technical Regulations of the Customs Union (TR CU 021/2011) on the Safety of Food Products (English version) stipulates the maximum limits of contaminants which include but not limited to lead, arsenic, cadmium, mercury, tin, chromium, dioxins, benzopyrene, nitrate and other pollutants in foods. Appendix 4 of Technical Regulations of the Customs Union (TR CU 021/2011) on the Safety of Food Products (English version) stipulates the radioactivity levels of radionuclides of cesium 137 and strontium 90 in various food categories including meat and meat products, fish and seafood products, milk and milk products, vegetables and fruit. **(4) Microorganisms** Appendix 1 of Technical Regulations of the Customs Union (TR CU 021/2011) on the Safety of Food Products (English version) stipulates the microbiological safety standards (pathogenic) for parameters which include but not limited to *Salmonella*, *Listeria monocytogenes*, *Enterobacter sakazakii*, Yersinia genus bacteria, and Staphylococcal enterotoxins in foods. Appendix 2 of Technical Regulations of the Customs Union (TR CU 021/2011) on the Safety of Food Products (English version) stipulates the microbiological safety standards for parameters which include but not limited to total number of colonies, total coliforms, *Escherichia coli*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, and molds in foods. **(5) Food Additives** Technical Regulations of the Customs Union (TR CU 029/2012) on Safety Requirements for Food Additives,

		Flavorings, and Technological Aids (English version) stipulates the definitions of terms such as food additives, flavorings, and technological aids. In particular, the Annexes stipulate the maximum level of food additives, flavorings, and technological aids in different food products. **(6) Product Standards** Fish and seafood products shall also comply with the standards and requirements of the following regulation: Technical Regulations of the Eurasian Economic Union (TR EAEU 040/2016) on Safety of Fish and Fish Products (English version) (with further insights from USDA). Russia is making draft amendments to TR 040/2016 as per WTO notification.
6	**Labelling, packaging and marking requirements**	**(1) Labelling** Technical Regulations of the Customs Union (TR CU 022/2011) on Food Product Labeling (English version) stipulates the required information that shall be labeled which include but no limited to transport packages, food name, food type and category, composition and ingredient list, quantity or net weight, manufacture date, shelf life, details of food manufacturer, nutrition value, specific characteristics (including storage conditions), product identification, presence of genetically modified organisms, and uniform mark of circulation. The label shall be done in Russian and in the state language of the Customs Union Member State. In particular, Articles 4.10.2 and 4.11 of Technical Regulations of the Customs Union (TR CU 022/2011) on Food Product Labeling (English version) stipulate if the content of genetically modified organisms used in the process of manufacturing the food products is of 0.9% or less, the food product shall not be referred to as food products containing GMO. For products containing living or inviable or engineered genetic modified microorganisms (GMM), the indication of specific information is obligatory. GOST R 51074-2003 General Requirements for Consumer Information Regarding Food Products (Excepts, English version) also stipulates the specific requirements for food labeling and the mandatory product labeling information that must be presented to customers. **(2) Food Packaging** Decision of the Commission Customs Union of 16 August 2011, No. 769 on Adoption of the Technical

		Regulation of the Customs Union (TR CU 005/2011) on Safety of Packaging (English version) stipulates the sanitary and hygienic safety indicators and standards for substances migrating from packaging closures that come into contact with food products and sanitary and hygienic standards for listed contaminants emitted from listed packaging material. Technical Regulations of the Eurasian Economic Union (TR EAEU 040/2016) on Safety of Fish and Fish Products (English version) (with further insights from USDA) also stipulates the requirements for packaging and labelling of fish food products (Chapter IX).
7	**Other information**	**Agency** Exporters should seek the cooperation of experienced Russian importers and agents to facilitate the necessary customs clearance. **Pre-Arrival Submission** EEC Collegium Decision No. 51 of 10 April 2018 introduces a pre-arrival submission of preliminary information about goods imported into the customs territory by water transport. EEC Collegium Decision No. 62 of 24 April 2018 introduces a pre-arrival submission of preliminary information about goods imported into the customs territory by air. **WTO Import Licensing Procedures** Russian Federation's legislation and notifications

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