

SFA Export Library Market Reports on Food Import Regulations and Standards

Country of Origin	Singapore (SG)
Country of Destination	Cambodia (KH)
Food Product Category	Fish and Seafood Products
Product Code	HS Codes: 0302 - 0309, 1604, 1605

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 are eligible for export from Singapore to Cambodia.
2	Importing country authority	<p>The Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF), the General Department of Customs and Excise (GDCE) of Ministry of Economy and Finance (MEF), and the Department of Technical Affairs in the Consumer Protection Competition and Fraud Repression Directorate-General (CCF) of Ministry of Commerce (MoC) are in-charge of regulating imported food.</p> <p>CCF is primarily responsible for regulating processed prepackaged food while MAFF is responsible for regulating animals and animal products. Imported food must comply with the Food Safety Law 2022 (English version), Law on Fisheries 2006, and Law on the Management of Quality and Safety of Products and Services 2000.</p>
3	Pre-export approvals by the importing country	<p>Country Level Approval Cambodia generally does not prohibit the import of such products. Sub-Decree No. 17 on List of Prohibited and Restricted Goods (English Version / Khmer Version) lays down the list of prohibited goods in Annex 1.</p> <p>Establishment Level Approval No establishment listing is required for fish and seafood products exported from Singapore to Cambodia.</p> <p>Product Level Approval No product listing is required for fish and seafood products exported from Singapore to Cambodia.</p>

		<p>Importers (for fresh and/or processed food)</p> <p>Importers of fish and seafood products must refer to the Guide to Import and Export:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get registered as an importer and submit customs import declarations in line with Prakas No. 1447 on Customs Declaration Provision and Procedures of MEF. • Obtain licence and permit from MAFF before importing animals and animal products in line with Prakas No. 178 on Procedure of Animal Sanitation Control and Animal Origin Products and Notification Under Article 7.3 of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures for Live Animals and Animal Products and Agricultural Materials. • Obtain pre-arrival assessment authorization by CCF in line with Sub-Decree No. 59 on Upgrading CAMCONTROL to Directorate General. • Report and propose to Department of Animal Health and Veterinary MAFF for mandatory animal sanitation control upon arrival in Cambodia in line with Sub-Decree No. 016 on Sanitary Inspection of Animals and Animal Products (latest) and Sub-Decree No. 014 on the Inspection of Animal Sanitary and Animal Originated Products. • Comply with the requirements for inspection by Department of Animal Health and Veterinary MAFF and Department of Customs Procedures GDCE in line with Sub-Decree No. 014 on Inspection of Animal Sanitary and Animal Originated Products and Prakas No. 569 Prakas on Inspection of Imported and Exported Goods and Conveyances. • Register prepackaged food product with Institute of Standards of Cambodia (ISC) of the Ministry of Industry, Science, Technology & Innovation in line with Prakas No. 166 on Management and Requirements for the Safety of Prepackaged Food. The product registration mark must be displayed on the food label.
4	Export certificates for food	<p>Export Certificate</p> <p>An Export Certificate issued by the Singapore Food Agency (SFA) is required for each consignment. For exports that require an Export Certificate, you may forward the import permit / conditions to SFA here.</p> <p>Certificate of Analysis</p> <p>According to Prakas No. 263 on Procedures for Inspection of Imported Food (English version), an official analytical certificate issued by the competent authority of exporting country for the export of food such as fish,</p>

		<p>fresh chilled or frozen and prepared fish products (dried, salted, smoked) to Cambodia. SFA-recognised laboratories can do the necessary microorganism and chemical tests.</p> <p>Importer: Cambodia’s Free Sale Certificate and/or Health Certificate According to Sub-Decree No. 002 on Food Hygiene, Prakas No. 649 on Issuance of Certificate of Free Sale and Health Certificate of Food Product and Notification No. 2772 on Translation of Packaging and Label of Food Products to Khmer Language, companies in Cambodia are required to apply for Free Sale Certificate and/or Health Certificate from the Food Safety Bureau of the Department of Food and Drugs of the Ministry of Health (MOH) prior to the import or export of all food products.</p> <p>Importer: Additional Documents According to the Prakas No. 178 on Procedure of Animal Sanitation Control and Animal Origin Products, the natural and legal entity who import the animals or animal origin products shall hold the following documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Licence of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries • Certificate of Origin of animal and animal origin products • Business registration certificate for the legal entity • Export permit, cross passing animal or animal origin products from the competent institution of the country of export • Animal identity or animal identifying or Identification (document) for identifying the animal origin products • Contract on import or cross passing animal or animal origin products between the natural entity or legal entity with the Department of Animal Health and Veterinary MAFF
5	Regulations and standards	<p>Interested exporters who wish to export fish and seafood to Cambodia must meet all their regulations and standards. The following links are provided as a guide:</p> <p>(1) Pesticide Residues Prakas No. 002 on List of Maximum Residue Limits of Pesticide in Agricultural Products of Plant Origin stipulates the list of maximum residue limits of pesticides in fruits and vegetables for import, domestic, and export purposes.</p>

	<p>Codex Pesticides Residues in Food Online Database contains Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticides and Extraneous Maximum Residue Limits adopted by Codex. The foods listed shall not contain more than the MRL or EMRL (in mg/kg) of the pesticide residue (defined in each individual case in the definition of residue) at (a) the point of entry into a country or (b) at the point of entry into trade channels within a country. This maximum limit shall not be exceeded at any time thereafter.</p> <p>(2) Veterinary Drug Residues Codex Veterinary Drug Residue in Food Online Database contains Maximum Residue Limits for Veterinary Drugs adopted by Codex. In the database a user can obtain information on Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs) and Risk Management Recommendations (RMRs) for residues of veterinary drugs in foods. The database also allows to search for veterinary drugs within a functional class.</p> <p>(3) Contaminants and Toxins General Standard for Contaminants and Toxins in Food and Feed (CXS 193-1995) contains the main principles which are recommended by Codex in dealing with contaminants and toxins in food and feed and lists the maximum levels and associated sampling plans of contaminants and natural toxicants in food and feed which are recommended by Codex to be applied to commodities moving in international trade.</p> <p>(4) Food Additives General Standard for Food Additives (CODEX STAN 192-1995) and Codex General Standard for Food Additives Online Database sets forth the conditions under which permitted food additives may be used in all foods, whether or not they have previously been standardized by Codex. Prakas No. 183 on Chemicals Banned from Food Products prohibits the use of borax, boric acid, formaldehyde, paraformaldehyde, para red, rhodamine b, salicylic acid, sudan I, sudan II, sudan III, and sudan IV in foods. Circular on Quality and Safety Control Measures on Products, Goods, Food which Contain Chemical Compounds provides general use guidelines.</p> <p>(5) Microorganisms Sub-Decree No. 47 on Food Hygiene for Human (English version) establishes the microbiological specifications in food for human consumption.</p> <p>(6) Product Standards</p>
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6	Labelling, packaging and marking requirements	<p>(1) Labelling</p> <p>Mandatory labelling requirements for prepackaged food which are in line with Prakas No. 1045 on ISC CS001-2000 Labelling of Food Product and Prakas No. 329 on Measures Against Food Products stipulate the labelling requirements of all prepackaged food products (applicable to imported goods). Food product labels must contain: Name of product; Brand name or trademark; List of ingredients; Net contents and drained weight; Names and addresses of manufacturers, packagers, packagers, importers, traders, or distributors; Country of origin; Lot numbers; Date marking; Storage instructions; Instructions for use; Quantitative labelling of ingredients; Labelling of irradiated food.</p> <p>Prakas No. 0059 on Nutrition Information Requirements for Labelling of Prepackaged Food stipulates the requirements for nutrition labelling and nutrition claims.</p> <p>Following the announcement on required information for labelling on goods and services for consumers (Sep 2022), all mandatory information of the food products (including imported goods) shall be written in Khmer language.</p> <p>Mandatory labelling requirements for infant and child feeding products which are in line with Sub-Decree No. 133 on the Marketing of Infant and Child Feeding Products and Joint Ministerial Prakas No. 061 on the Implementation of the Sub-Decree on the Marketing of Products for Infant and Young Child Feeding stipulate additional labelling requirements of infant and child feeding products (including imported foods, formula-based powder milk, formula-based milk, and other products) intended for infants aged between 0 and 12 months old and small children aged between 12 and 24 months old.</p> <p>(2) Packaging</p> <p>Mandatory packaging requirements for prepackaged food which are in line with Prakas No. 1045 on ISC CS001-2000 Labelling of Food Product and Prakas No. 329 on Measures Against Food Products stipulate the packaging requirements of all prepackaged food products (applicable to imported goods).</p>

		<p>Sub-Decree No. 014 on Inspection of Animal Sanitary and Animal Originated Products (particularly Article 6) requires the packing equipment to be of quality and hygiene and prior approval if the goods need to be packed in a way other than the specified manner.</p> <p>ASEAN General Guidelines for Food Contact Materials provides a reference on the general guidelines for food contact materials.</p>
7	Other information	<p>Resources & publications under Cambodia National Trade Repository, KhmerSME, and GDCE which aim to enhance trade transparency in Cambodia provide useful trade related information and documents.</p> <p>Cambodia’s Halal Requirements Prakas No. 090 on Cambodian Halal Requirements for Food</p> <p>WTO Import Licensing Procedures Cambodia’s legislation and notifications</p> <p>ASEAN resources on prepared / processed foods Regulation – Cambodia (contains a comprehensive list of regulations, standards, and decrees in static PDF files)</p> <p>ASEAN Trade Repository ASEAN Member States’ National Trade Repositories Search Harmonised Standards in ASEAN</p> <p>USDA Gain Reports Cambodia FAIRS Country Report provides guidelines on Cambodia’s food import regulations to American exporters</p> <p>ITA Country Commercial Guide Under prohibited and restricted imports, food products must have a 50% minimum remaining shelf life at the time of inspection.</p>

		GIZ Reports Country Report for Cambodia (2013)
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