

BIOSECURITY NOTICE ON THE IMPORTATION OF ANIMAL PRODUCTS

AMENDMENT TO BAF'S IMPORT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF SHELF STABLE NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS AND INFANT FORMULA FOR PERSONAL AND COMMERCIAL USE

Warning:

Biosecurity is your responsibility. Heavy Penalties apply. If in doubt, declare it.

Biosecurity Authority of Fiji (BAF) has reviewed the import requirements for the importation of shelf-stable nutritional supplements and infant formula for personal and commercial use from selected countries into Fiji. Restrictions will remain for the importation of other dairy products from any country into Fiji.

Shelf-stable food is food that is processed in a manner that can be safely stored at room temperature in a sealed container or packaging. This includes foods that would normally be stored on shelves at room or ambient temperature for a usefully long shelf life and is refrigerated after opening the sealed container or packaging.

List of Selected countries

Pacific: Australia New Zealand	Europe: Denmark Belgium France	Germany Italy Spain	Netherlands Switzerland United Kingdom	Sweden	Americas: United States of America Canada
---	--	---------------------------	--	--------	--

The products that are origin or manufactured in the above listed countries using animal ingredients, either locally produced or officially imported raw animal ingredients, in the finished product can be;

- imported directly from an above listed country meeting Fiji's import requirements stipulated on this Biosecurity notice, **and/or**
- imported indirectly from a third country listed above meeting Fiji's import requirements stipulated on this Biosecurity notice (i.e. *Manufactured in a country (e.g. United States of America) listed above and officially imported into another country (e.g. United Kingdom) listed above and then export from the said country (United Kingdom) listed above into Fiji*)

Selected product list



1. Shelf stable Nutritional Supplements:



2. Shelf stable dairy base Infant/Baby formula:



3. Shelf stable dairy base Sports supplements:

Specific import requirements

A. Personal importation

An import permit is **not required** when importing the above supplements and infant/baby (up to 36 months of age) milk powder into Fiji from the above listed countries for personal use. The dairy ingredients contained in the products must be of bovine origin only. The dairy ingredients and the product must manufacture and also originate from the above listed countries. The products covered in this notice must be imported from the above listed countries, with the approved quantity of up to a maximum of 5kg for personal use. Retailing of imported products for personal use is strictly prohibited.

Passengers are not allowed to import other products containing dairy as ingredients with the exception granted for the products listed above.

B. Commercial importation

An import permit **is required** when importing the above supplements and infant/baby (up to 36 months of age) milk powder into Fiji from the above listed countries as commercial importation. The dairy ingredients contained in the finished products must be of bovine origin only and must also be manufactured or originated from the countries listed above. The products must be commercially manufactured and imported from the selected countries. Importers must apply and comply with import permit requirements before the consignment departs the exporting country.

General import requirements

The products must be:

- Shelf stable
- Commercially prepared and hermetically sealed
- In its original packaging on arrival
- For personal importation, the maximum allowance is up to 10kg of collective weight of products that include 5 kg of the products covered in this notice. No quantity restriction for commercial importation
- Presented with original retail receipt from the above listed countries (for personal import)
- Labelling must be in the English language, state the country of origin/manufacture and have the ingredient list to show the composition of each ingredient.
- All dairy products origin from Australia, New Zealand and France are allowed with specified import requirements as previously practiced.
- BAF allows the importation of infant/baby formula per individual person from all countries if the passenger accompanied an infant or a baby (up to 36 months of age). Product (s) must meet all other requirements as stated above.
- BAF allows the importation of nutritional supplements under medical grounds for therapeutic purposes from all countries only if it is accompanied by a medical letter from medical practitioners stating the usage of a particular nutritional supplement (s) for a medical condition. Product (s) must meet all other requirements as stated above.
- BAF allows nutritional supplements that contain other ingredients such as collagen, natural flavors, and plant protein from all countries.
- This notice covers only the products containing dairy ingredients and therefore, importers must contact BAF before importing any product containing animal products/ingredients including derivatives of the same.
- The **products containing Dairy/ Animal ingredients must be declared** and consignments are subject to inspection at the ports of entry, the border and post-border for biosecurity purposes.

For further clarifications do not hesitate to contact the BAF Permits team at BAF Headquarters at 3312512 Ext 124 or alternatively, by email: info@baf.com.fj and animalimports@baf.com.fj

Re-issued on 5th May 2023 at BAF Headquarters, Suva.



Tel: +(679) 331 2512 | Fax: +(679) 330 5043



info@baf.com.fj | www.baf.com.fj



Level 3, FNPF Provident Plaza 1 Ellery Street, Suva, Fiji