

Canada to comply to Russian rules over ractopamine

Ian Alexander, head of Canadian Veterinary Services, has informed Sergey Dankvert, head of the Rosselkhoznadzor, that the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) will only issue veterinary certificates for meat consignments that are compliant with Russia/Customs Union requirements.



All pork and beef consignments will be accompanied in addition to a veterinary certificate with a document confirming that the said consignment has been derived from animals not fed ractopamine and has tested negative by the accredited laboratory for ractopamine residues in full compliance with the Rosselkhoznadzor requirements.

Alexander assured Dankvert that the certificates would be issued for those meat consignments where documentary confirmation existed that said consignments were ractopamine free.

The requirement also applies to chilled and frozen pork and beef as well as to finished products thereof. Alexander also assured Dankvert that only raw materials from Canadian establishments authorised for export to Russia/Customs Union and complied with all their requirements were used for finished meat products exported from Canada to Russia.

So of the four countries, Brazil, Mexico, Canada and the USA, that were warned by Rosselkhoznadzor that the presence of ractopamine in products intended for Russian/Customs Union market was inadmissible, the USA is the only country that has taken no steps to ensure compliance.

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