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Taiwan: Changes to certification requirements for the export of bovine serum

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This Market Access Advice (MAA) concerns changes to Taiwan’s regulations for the import of a range of animal by-products and provides further information of the changes to the existing veterinary health certifications for the export of bovine serum and related products to Taiwan, following 2022 changes to Taiwan’s *Regulations for the Importation of Objects Subject to Animal Quarantine*.

The department is currently working with Taiwan’s Animal and Plant Health Inspection Agency (APHIA, then BAPHIQ) to develop mutually agreed certificates that align with Taiwan’s updated regulations for the export of bovine serum and related products. Exporters are advised that there is no agreed interim trade arrangement during these negotiations and any trade to Taiwan for the following bovine blood products (Table 1) on existing certifications will be at commercial risk.

Table 1: List of impacted certificates - bovine blood products

product	Existing certificate
1. Foetal bovine serum of Australian origin	Z943
2. Bovine serum of Australian and/or New Zealand origin	Z16A
3. Foetal bovine serum of New Zealand origin, or mixed Australian and New Zealand origin	Z943A
4. Bovine serum albumin	EX238/EX238A
5. Donor bovine serum	certificate requirements will be decided on a case-by-case basis by APHIA (then BAPHIQ)

The Manual of Importing Country Requirements (Micor) has been updated to reflect this market access advice. The department encourages users of Micor to subscribe to the [Micor update service](#) for a commodity specific email that lists changes that have been made in the preceding week.

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