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To all food importers and declaring agents

Dear Sirs

NEW REQUIREMENT - DECLARATION OF ESTABLISHMENT/PREFECTURAL CODES FOR PERMITS INVOLVING SEAFOOD, FRUITS & VEGETABLES AND PROCESSED FOOD

The Agri-food & Veterinary Authority (AVA) has so far required importers of meat products and cut sugarcane to declare establishment codes in their permit declarations, where the declaration of establishment codes facilitates AVA's food safety programme of securing food safety at source. As such, we wish to inform you that we would be extending the requirement of the declaration of establishment/prefectural codes to other food products, such as seafood, fruits & vegetables and processed food, as part of our programme of securing food safety at source.

2 The establishment/prefectural codes are to be filled in the field name, "CA/SC Code1". If the establishment/prefectural codes are not filled in the designated field, or invalid establishment/prefectural codes are filled, the permit declaration will be rejected. The list of valid establishment/prefectural codes will soon be uploaded at the AVA website for your reference. For the import of food products which originates from Japan, the prefectural codes are to be filled in "CA/SC Code1" field, and for the import of food products from other countries other than Japan, the establishment codes are to be filled in "CA/SC Code1" field.

Examples:

- i. Soy sauce from Hokkaido in Japan, "CA/SC Code1=JPHKD"
- ii. Soy sauce from Malaysia, "CA/SC Code1=MY99999"

Please note that the establishment codes for the meat products, and for cut sugarcane from Malaysia, remain unchanged.

3 The implementation of the declaration of establishment/prefectural codes is tentatively set on 12 September 2011. AVA would inform all importers and declaring agents if there is any change to the implementation of this new requirement.

4 We would be arranging for briefing sessions on 12 August 2011, Friday, at MND auditorium, 7 Maxwell Road, MND Complex, Annex A, Singapore 069111, to inform all importers and declaration agents on this new requirement. For those who wish to attend the briefing session (maximum 2 persons per company), we would appreciate it if you could indicate in the 'Reply Form' and fax to Mrs Koh-Ho She Luan at Fax No: 6227 6403, or email to the following address: Koh-Ho_She_Luan@ava.gov.sg by 5 August 2011, so as to facilitate our logistics purposes.

5 You may contact us at the following numbers if you require further clarification. Thank you.

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Yours faithfully

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REPLY FORM

(Briefing on declaration of establishment/prefectural codes in permits, please reply by 5 August 2011)

Attention To: Mrs Koh-Ho She Luan

Fax No: 6227 6403

Name of company: _____

Contact person: _____

Contact number: _____

Number of persons attending: _____

Please indicate your preferred time slot below for 12 August 2011 briefing:

9 am to 9.30 am

10.30 am to 11 am

2.30 pm to 3 pm

4 pm to 4.30 pm

Prefectural / Establishment Codes for Permit Declarations

Food Section

Import & Export Regulation Division

Quarantine & Inspection Department

Traders Briefing Session 12 Aug 2011

Background

- Declaration of establishment codes facilitates AVA's food safety program of securing food safety at source
- Previously, meat and cut sugarcane – declare establishment codes
- Now, the requirement is extended to other food products, including seafood, fresh fruits & vegetables and processed food.

Main Points

- 1. What are prefectural / establishment codes?**
- 2. Where to fill in the Prefectural / Establishment Codes on TradeNet declaration?**
- 3. Where to find list of Prefectural / Establishment Codes on AVA website?**
- 4. Examples of how to fill in the prefectural or establishment codes**
- 5. Important things to note**

1. What are the prefectural or establishment codes to fill in?

- Prefectural codes (applies to import of seafood, fresh fruits and vegetables, and processed food from **Japan** only)

1. What are the prefectural or establishment codes to fill in? (cont'd)

- Establishment codes (applies to import of seafood, fresh fruits and vegetables, and processed food from **other countries** other than Japan)

List of Japan Prefectural Codes

S/N	Prefecture	Prefecture Code
1	Aichi	JPACH
2	Akita	JPAKT
3	Aomori	JPAMR
4	Chiba	JPCHB
5	Ehime	JPEHM
6	Fukuoka	JPFKK
7	Fukushima	JPFKS
8	Fukui	JPFUK
9	Gifu	JPGIF
10	Gunma	JPGUM
11	Hokkaido	JPHKD
12	Hiroshima	JPHRS
13	Hyogo	JPHYG
14	Ibaraki	JPIBR
15	Ishikawa	JPISK
16	Iwate	JPIWT
17	Kagoshima	JPKGS
18	Kagawa	JPKGW
19	Kumamoto	JKMM
20	Kanagawa	JKNG
21	Kochi	JKOC
22	Kyoto	JKYT
23	Mie	JPMIE
24	Miyagi	JPMYG
25	Miyazaki	JPMYZ

List of Establishment Codes in Other Countries (Exclude Japan)

S/N	Country Name	Country Code	Establishment Code (CA/SC code 1)
1	AFGHANISTAN	AF	AF99999
2	ÅLAND ISLANDS	AX	AX99999
3	ALBANIA	AL	AL99999
4	ALGERIA	DZ	DZ99999
5	AMERICAN SAMOA	AS	AS99999
6	ANDORRA	AD	AD99999
7	ANGOLA	AO	AO99999
8	ANGUILLA	AI	AI99999
9	ANTARCTICA	AQ	AQ99999
10	ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA	AG	AG99999
11	ARGENTINA	AR	AR99999
12	ARMENIA	AM	AM99999
13	ARUBA	AW	AW99999
14	AUSTRALIA	AU	AU99999
15	AUSTRIA	AT	AT99999
16	AZERBAIJAN	AZ	AZ99999
17	BAHAMAS	BS	BS99999
18	BAHRAIN	BH	BH99999
19	BANGLADESH	BD	BD99999
20	BARBADOS	BB	BB99999
21	BELARUS	BY	BY99999

2. Where to fill in the Prefectural/ Establishment Codes?

- At the “CA/SC Code 1” field during permit declaration
- These codes only applies to imports of seafood, fresh fruits and vegetables, and processed food

2. Where to fill in the Prefectural/ Establishment Codes? (cont'd)

Under 'Item Details'

Alcoholic Strength - UOM : Refund for GST Amount
Item LSP : 0.00 Payment Indicator
Item Description : STEMWARE DRINKING GLASSES OF LEAD C
RYSTAL EXCL GLASS CERAMICS

	Inward	Outward
MAWB/ OUCR / OBL No		
HAWB / HUCR / HBL No.		

CA/SC Product Code : ZZB0A000000
CA/SC Product Quantity - UOM : 32.0000 KGM
End-Use Description :

S/N	CA/SC Code 1	CA/SC Code 2	CA/SC Code 3
		No code list found.	

Licence Details

S/N	Licence No	Licence Type
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3. Where are the prefectural or establishment codes found?

The screenshot shows the website of the Agri-Food & Veterinary Authority of Singapore. The navigation menu includes: Home, About AVA, Careers, Legislation, Publications, **Resources**, FAQs, News & Events, Useful Links, and Services. The 'Resources' menu is circled in red. Below the navigation, there are several news articles and a sidebar with various service links.

Resources

- Product Codes for TradeNet
- Agri-Business Clusters & Directory
- Food Safety resources
- Responsible Pet Owner Resources
- Animal Pathogens Fact Sheets

Highlights

AVA OPENS APPLICATIONS FOR ACCREDITATION OF DOG TRAINERS

5 August 2011 - Following our announcement on changes to the Animals and Birds (Dog Licensing and Control) Rules in Feb 2010, AVA has established a panel to accredit dog trainers for the purpose of training dogs that are listed under the Second Schedule, or any dogs that have been assessed by AVA to be potentially dangerous. The Panel for the Accreditation of Dog Trainers (PADT) comprises experts from both the public and private sectors.

Applications for dog trainers will open from 5 Aug 2011 and close on 19 Aug 2011. Dog trainers can download the [application form](#) on our website.

Dog owners can refer to this website for the list of AVA accredited trainers from 13 Sept 2011.

AVA'S FOOD FUND - SECOND TRANCHE OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS

1 August 2011 - AVA launched a second tranche of \$10 million under its Food Fund programme today. The Food Fund was launched in Dec 2005 to strengthen our strategies of food source diversification and local farming to ensure a resilient supply of food for Singapore. It is used to support food diversification and farm capability development.

Click [here](#) for the press release. Interested companies can visit [www.ava.gov.sg/FoodFund.html](#) or email AVA_Funds_Requests@ava.gov.sg for more information.

UPDATE ON PRODUCTS TESTED FOR PHTHALATE CONTAMINATION

2 August 2011 - AVA has been testing food products including beverages, jams and jellies manufactured in Taiwan for phthalates in view of the phthalate contamination situation in Taiwan. All consignments of beverages, jams and jellies imported from Taiwan are subjected to hold and test. This means that only products that have cleared AVA's tests for phthalates will be released for sale. Products that fail our tests will be suspended from import.

Please click [here](#) for the latest list of brands that have been suspended from import. Consumers who have bought the affected products are advised to discard the products and not consume them.

Left Sidebar:

- Import, Export & Transshipment Of Food
- Food Testing & Certification
- Food Safety Education
- Food Traders and Establishments
- Post-Harvest Technology
- Food Labelling & Advertisements
- Food Alerts
- Frozen Meat Info
- Import, Export & Transshipment of Animals & Related Products
- CITES & Endangered Species
- Animal Disease Diagnosis
- Veterinarians & Veterinary Centres
- Sales Of Pets, Pet Ownership & Animal Exhibition
- Responsible Pet Ownership Public Education
- Care & Use of Animals for Scientific Purposes

Right Sidebar:

- Find us on Facebook
- Application for Food Fund
- Share Your Suggestions on the Pet Ownership and Stray Management Review
- Food Safety Education
- Responsible Pet Ownership Education
- EAT WELL FOR LESS

4. Examples of how to fill in the prefectural or establishment codes

1. Fresh apple from Hokkaido, Japan

- CA/SC code 1 = JPHKD

2. Fresh apple from Hokkaido and Kyoto, please declare separately as 2 different items, with each prefectural codes filled in CA/SC code 1.

3. Fresh apple from Argentina

- CA/SC Code 1 = AR99999

5. Important things to note

- These general prefectural/establishment codes apply only to seafood, fresh fruits and vegetables, and processed food
- Does not apply to meat and cut sugarcane
- For controlled products from Japan, COO is still required to submit to AVA for audit.

5. Important things to note (cont'd)

- These general prefectural/establishment codes have to be filled in “CA/SC code 1” field, if not permit will be rejected
- Implementation date: 12 September 2011



Thank you!