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IOINT ADVISORY OF DA-BFAR AND FDA:

ALL EXPORTERS OF FISH AND FISHERY/ AQUATIC PRODUCTS AND PROCESSED MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS TO THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA

Dear Sir/ Ma'am,

Greetings of health and goodwill!

In order to facilitate a harmonized and orderly manner of processing your applications to export the said products to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (K.S.A.), kindly submit to BFAR (Fish and Fishery/Aquatic Products) and FDA (Processed Meat and Meat Products) the documentary requirements on or before January 31, 2024 as follows:

1. Letter of Intent

2. Accomplished self-audit form which can be obtained from this website: <a href="https://www.sfda.gov.sa/en/forms/79005">https://www.sfda.gov.sa/en/forms/79005</a>

After the assessment of the duly submitted forms, there will be a joint inspection of your fishery and meat establishments by the FDA and BFAR or NMIS/BAI to verify the physical existence and compliance to hygiene and sanitation as declared in the accomplished self-audit forms. Filled-out forms of various fish and meat products will be consolidated and endorsed to the Saudi Food and Drug Authority (SFDA) on the first quarter of 2024.

The SFDA will conduct assessment of application documents and will issue an Invoice addressed to the establishments for the payment of 27,000 SAR inspection fee for those that have a good chance of getting approved. The SFDA auditors will shoulder their international round-trip air fares and hotel bookings. On the other hand, interested applicants will shoulder in-country expenses/arrangements which includes transportation requirements from arrival to departure, domestic flight tickets and provision of an interpreter within the duration of the audit.





The SFDA will schedule the inspection and possible choices for the Philippines of the inspection schedules. The duration of the inspection mission will depend on the number of applicants and the distance/travel time between establishments.

For further inquiries and/or submission of your application, you may contact BFAR at josomga@yahoo.com and FDA at oddgfroo@fda.gov.ph cc jau@fda.gov.ph, respectively.

Kindly be guided accordingly.

Thank you.

DA Assistant Secretary for Regulations

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