



FOREIGN SUPPLIER VERIFICATION PROGRAM (FSVP)

Starting May 30, 2017, all imports of human and animal food will require additional reporting elements for the Food & Drug Administration (FDA) to secure import release. This program requires FSVP importers to verify that the food they import meets U.S. safety standards. Verification includes hazard analysis, supplier evaluation and, recordkeeping which ensures that each food is produced in a manner that provides the same level of public health protection as the preventive controls and produce safety regulations, and the food is not adulterated or misbranded with respect to allergen labeling. Information must be reviewed and certified by a **“qualified individual”** of the importer.

For all import entries filed for you as FSVP Importer, we must report the “qualifying individual” at the time of entry. This includes the name, address and email address for the responsible contact at the facility, and the facility’s associated Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number.

We have identified your company as an importer of goods that are subject to these regulations. As part of these new requirements, please complete the attached FSVP importer information which will be used for transmitting the FSVP details to FDA. The form should be signed and returned to us by email, fax or mail as soon as possible. If you import food products from multiple suppliers, please complete a form for each supplier.

FSVP – Helpful Resources

Am I Subject to FVSP? <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Food/GuidanceRegulation/FSMA/UCM472461.pdf>

What You Need to Know About Registration of Food Facilities; Small Entity Compliance Guide:

<https://www.fda.gov/Food/GuidanceRegulation/GuidanceDocumentsRegulatoryInformation/ucm331957.htm>

FSMA Final Rule on Foreign Supplier Verification Programs (FSVP) for Importers of Food for Humans and Animals <http://www.fda.gov/Food/GuidanceRegulation/FSMA/ucm361902.htm>

FDA Dun and Bradstreet lookup and Registration link: <https://fdadunslookup.com/>



FSVP IMPORTER INFORMATION

***FSVP IMPORTER**

DUNS #

Food Registration #

Supplier:

Product(s) :

Qualifying Individual:

Name:

Email:

Address:

Signature _____

Date:

Make certain that you understand what the FSVP requirements are and comply with those requirements and provide us with accurate data.

Are any kinds of food product exempt from the FSVP requirement? A short list of exempted commodities include:

- Juice under HACCP.
- Seafood
- Alcoholic beverages
- Products of Canada and New Zealand have **less restrictive** requirements as their food safety systems are considered comparable to the United States

** FSVP IMPORTER MUST BE U.S. BASED.* FDA defines "importer" as a US party with a financial interest in the food product, the two are not necessarily one and the same. A simple rule of thumb is if the Customs and Border Protection 'Importer of Record' is the US owner or consignee, they are *by definition* the FSVP importer.