

STATE OF ISRAEL

Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development,
Veterinary Services and Animal Health, P.O.B 12, Beit-Dagan, 50250.

April 9, 2018

To: Central Competent Authority
Trading Parties

Re: Import of Meat and Offal's to the State of Israel - Reminder

It is my pleasure to communicate with you within this framework of understanding between our administrations. In my letter dated 30/04/2017 I informed you that the Israeli Veterinary Services and Animal Health (IVSAH) updated the IVSAH Guidelines for Humane Kosher Slaughter.

The main requirement deals with the handling of the animals at the time of slaughter and focuses in restrain by using a rotating restraint box of the animal prior to slaughter.

Kindly be advised that the above mentioned requirement for listed slaughterhouses, will take effect not after the **01.06.2018**, after which the export authorization to Israel of slaughterhouses that do not slaughter by means of the rotating restraint box, will immediately be revoked. In case of new slaughterhouses, this requirement will take effect immediately.

The IVSAH will be grateful receiving a list of the slaughterhouses that already comply with the requirements or are in the process with an estimation of the time required for completing the necessary changes.

Your cooperation on this matter will be highly appreciated.

I will stay on your disposal for any additional information you may need.

Please accept my highest consideration.

Sincerely yours,



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Chief Import & Export Veterinary Officer

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