

F.No. 401/25/2024-Cus-III  
Government of India  
Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue  
(Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs)

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Room No. 229A, New Delhi  
dated, 07th March, 2024

To

All Principal Chief Commissioners/ Chief Commissioners  
(Customs/Customs (Preventive)/ Customs & Central Tax),  
All Pr. Commissioners/Commissioners of Customs/Customs (Preventive)  
All Pr. Director /Director Generals under CBIC

**Subject –Product Designation for Commercial Import of Premium Frozen Duck  
Meat into India - reg**

Madam/Sir,

Reference is invited to Customs Notification No 13/2024-Customs dt. 06.03.2024 relating to Import of Frozen Duck Meat read with DGFT Notification No 66/2023 dt. 06.03.2024. (Copies enclosed)

2. In this regard, reference is also invited to OM No L-110109(3)/1/2016-Trade (E-2625) dated 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024 enclosing the Annexure regarding Product designation for commercial import of premium frozen duck meat into India from the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying on the above-mentioned subject (copy enclosed).

3. Vide the above communication, the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying has designated the Regional Officer/Quarantine Officer, Animal Quarantine & Certification Services located at Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Hyderabad and Bengaluru to certify that the imported goods are meat and edible offal, of ducks, frozen (other than backs of ducks, frozen) meeting the parameter as Annex to OM dt. 22.02.2024.

4. It is requested that necessary action may be taken to sensitize officers under your jurisdiction.

5. The difficulties, if any, in the implementation may be brought to the notice of the Board.

Encl: As stated



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संख्या 13/2024-सीमाशुल्क

सा.का.नि. 158(अ).—सीमा शुल्क अधिनियम, 1962 (1962 का 52) की धारा 25 की उप धारा (1) और सीमाशुल्क टैरिफ अधिनियम, 1975 (1975 का 51) की धारा 3 की उपधारा (12) द्वारा प्रदत्त शक्तियों का प्रयोग करते हुए, केन्द्र सरकार, इस बात से संतुष्ट होते हुए कि ऐसा करना जनहित में आवश्यक है, एतद्वारा, भारत सरकार, वित्त मंत्रालय (राजस्व विभाग) की अधिसूचना संख्या 50/2017-सीमाशुल्क, दिनांक 30 जून, 2017 जिसे सा.का.नि. संख्या 785 (अ), दिनांक 30 जून, 2017 के तहत भारत के राजपत्र, असाधारण, भाग II, खंड 3, उप-खंड (i) में प्रकाशित किया गया था, में और आगे निम्नलिखित संशोधन करती है, अर्थात् :-

उक्त अधिसूचना में, -

- (1) सारणी में, क्रम संख्या 3कक और उससे संबंधित प्रविष्टियों के पश्चात, निम्नलिखित क्रम संख्या और प्रविष्टियाँ अंतःस्थापित की जाएंगी, अर्थात्: -

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
“3कख	0207 42 00; 0207 45 00	बतख का मांस और एडिबल ओफल, फ्रोजन	5%	-	116”;

(2) अनुबंध में, शर्त संख्या 115 और उससे संबंधित प्रविष्टियों के पश्चात, निम्नलिखित शर्त संख्या और प्रविष्टियाँ अंतःस्थापित की जाएंगी, अर्थात्: -

(1)	(2)
“116.	<p>यदि, आयात के समय, -</p> <p>a) आयातक पशुपालन और डेयरी विभाग द्वारा जारी कार्यालय ज्ञापन संख्या एल-110109(3)/1/2016-व्यापार (ई-2625), दिनांक 22 फरवरी, 2024, में नामित अधिकारी से, सीमा शुल्क उपायुक्त या सहायक आयुक्त, सीमा शुल्क, जैसा भी मामला हो, को एक प्रमाण-पत्र प्रस्तुत करता है कि आयातित सामान बतख का मांस और एडिबल ओफल, फ्रोजन (बत्खों की पीठ, फ्रोजन, के अलावा), है जो उक्त कार्यालय ज्ञापन के अनुबंध में निर्दिष्ट मापदंडों को पूरा करते हैं; और</p> <p>b) आयातक, सीमा शुल्क उपायुक्त या सहायक आयुक्त सीमा शुल्क, जैसा भी मामला हो, को प्रस्तुत करता है, -</p> <p>i. पर्यटन मंत्रालय के अधिकारी, जो भारत सरकार के उप सचिव के पद से नीचे नहीं हो, द्वारा एक प्रमाण पत्र जिसमें सिफारिश की गई है कि आयातक पर्यटन मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार, द्वारा जारी अधिसूचना, यथासंशोधित, के अनुसार 3-सितारा और उससे ऊपर का परिचालन होटल है, या</p> <p>ii. डीजीएफटी अधिसूचना संख्या 66/2023, दिनांक 06 मार्च, 2024, यथासंशोधित, के तहत जारी एक वैध प्रतिबंधित आयात प्राधिकरण।”;</p>

2. यह अधिसूचना दिनांक 07 मार्च, 2024 से लागू होगी।

[फा. सं. सीबीआईसी-190354/166/2023-टीओ(टीआरयू-1)]

विक्रम विजय वानेरे, अवर सचिव

**टिप्पणी:** - मूल अधिसूचना संख्या 50/2017-सीमा शुल्क, दिनांक 30 जून, 2017 को सा.का.नि.सं. 785(अ), दिनांक 30 जून, 2017 के तहत भारत के राजपत्र, असाधारण, भाग II, खंड 3, उप-खंड (i) में प्रकाशित किया गया था और इसमें अंतिम बार अधिसूचना संख्या 10/2024-सीमा शुल्क, दिनांक 19 फरवरी, 2024, जिसे सा.का.नि.सं. 115(अ), दिनांक 19 फरवरी, 2024, के तहत भारत के राजपत्र, असाधारण, भाग II, खंड 3, उप खंड (i) में प्रकाशित किया गया था, के तहत संशोधन किया गया था।

**MINISTRY OF FINANCE**  
**(Department of Revenue)**  
**NOTIFICATION**

New Delhi, the 6th March, 2024

**No. 13/2024-Customs**

**G.S.R. 158(E).**— In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Customs Act, 1962 (52 of 1962) and sub-section (12) of section 3 of the Customs Tariff Act, 1975 (51 of 1975), the Central Government, on being satisfied that it is necessary in the public interest so to do, hereby makes the following further amendments in the notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), No. 50/2017-Customs, dated the 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), *vide* number G.S.R. 785(E), dated the 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2017, namely:-

In the said notification,

- (1) in the Table, after S. No. 3AA and the entries relating thereto, the following S. No. and entries shall be inserted, namely: -

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
“3AB.	0207 42 00; 0207 45 00	Meat and edible offal, of ducks, frozen	5%	-	116”;

- (2) in the Annexure, after condition number 115 and the entries relating thereto, the following condition number and entries shall be inserted, namely: -

(1)	(2)
“116.	<p>If, at the time of import, -</p> <p>(a) the importer furnishes a certificate to the Deputy Commissioner of Customs or the Assistant Commissioner of Customs, as the case may be, from the designated officer in terms of O.M. No. L-110109(3)/1/2016-Trade (E-2625), dated 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2024, issued by the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, that the imported goods are meat and edible offal, of ducks, frozen (other than backs of ducks, frozen), satisfying the parameters specified in the Annex to the said O.M.; and</p> <p>(b) the importer furnishes to the Deputy Commissioner of Customs or the Assistant Commissioner of Customs, as the case may be, -</p> <p>i. a certificate from an officer not below the rank of a Deputy Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministry of Tourism recommending that the importer is a 3-Star and above operational hotel as per notification issued by Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, as amended, or</p> <p>ii. a valid restricted import authorisation issued under DGFT notification No. 66/2023, dated 06<sup>th</sup> March, 2024, as amended”;</p>

2. This notification shall come into force on the 07<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2024.

[F. No. CBIC-190354/166/2023-TO(TRU-I)]

VIKRAM VIJAY WANERE, Under Secy.

**Note:** The principal notification No. 50/2017-Customs, dated the 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2017 was published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-Section (i), *vide* number G.S.R. 785(E), dated the 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2017, and was last amended *vide* notification No. 10/2024-Customs, dated the 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2024, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-Section (i), *vide* number G.S.R. 115(E), dated the 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2024.

To be published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part-II, Section-3, Sub-Section (II)

Government of India  
Ministry of Commerce & Industry  
Department of Commerce  
Directorate General of Foreign Trade

**Notification No. 66/2023**  
New Delhi, Dated: 06<sup>th</sup> March 2024

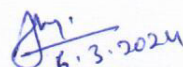
**Subject: Amendment in import policy condition for Duck Meat Chapter 2 of ITC (HS) 2022, Schedule-I(Import Policy)**

**S.O.:** In exercise of powers conferred by Section 3 read with Section 5 of FT (D&R) Act, 1992, and read with paragraph 1.02 and 2.01 of the Foreign Trade Policy, 2023, as amended from time to time, the Central Government hereby revises the import policy condition of the following items under ITC(HS) Code 02074200 and 02074500 of Chapter 2 of ITC (HS) 2022, Schedule-I(Import Policy), as under:

Exim Code	Item Description	Import Policy	Existing Policy condition	Revised Policy condition
02074200	-Of ducks : -- Not cut in pieces, frozen	Free	-	Import of Premium Duck Meat as per DAHD OM No. L-110109(3)/1/2016-Trade (E-2625) dated 22.02.2024 and under Department of Revenue Notification No. 13/2024-Customs dated 06.03.2024 for supply to Hotels and Restaurants shall be 'Restricted'. Other Imports under given ITC(HS) code shall be 'Free'.
02074500	-Of ducks : -- Other, frozen	Free	-	Import of Premium Duck Meat as per DAHD OM No. L-110109(3)/1/2016-Trade (E-2625) dated 22.02.2024 and under Department of Revenue Notification No. 13/2024-Customs dated 06.03.2024 for supply to Hotels and Restaurants shall be 'Restricted'. Other Imports under given ITC(HS) code shall be 'Free'.

**Effect of the Notification:** Import of Premium Duck Meat as per DAHD OM No. L-110109(3)/1/2016-Trade (E-2625) dated 22.02.2024 and under Department of Revenue Notification No. 13/2024-Customs dated 06.03.2024 for supply to Hotels and Restaurants shall be 'Restricted'. Other Imports under ITC(HS) codes 02074200 and 02074500 shall be 'Free'.

This is issued with the approval of Minister of Commerce & Industry.

  
(Santosh Kumar Sarangi)  
Director General of Foreign Trade &  
Ex- officio Addl. Secretary to the Government of India  
E-mail: [dgft@nic.in](mailto:dgft@nic.in)

(F.No. 01/89/180/200/AM-02/PC-2(A)/Part-I. /E-31445)

File No. L-110109(3)/1/2016-Trade (E-2625)  
भारत सरकार  
Government of India  
मत्स्य पालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्रालय  
Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying  
पशुपालन और डेयरी विभाग  
Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying

कृषि भवन, नई दिल्ली -110 001,  
Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110 001,  
दिनांक / Dated the 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2024.

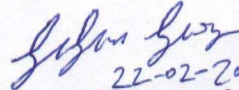
**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Mutually Agreed Solution (MAS) in DS430 (India – Agricultural Products)  
– reg.**

This Office Memorandum is being issued pursuant to the Mutually Agreed Solution (MAS) in DS430 (India – Agricultural Products) as per recommendations of the Deptt. of Commerce.

2. The Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying hereby designates the Regional Officer / Quarantine Officer, Animal Quarantine & Certification Services located at Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Hyderabad and Bengaluru to certify that the imported goods are meat and edible offal, of ducks, frozen (other than backs of ducks, frozen) meeting the parameters as Annex.

**Encl: As above.**

  
22-02-2024  
(डॉ गगन गर्ग)  
(Dr. Gagan Garg)  
उप-आयुक्त (व्यापार)  
Deputy Commissioner (Trade)

**Distribution:**

- All Regional Officers / Quarantine Officers, Animal Quarantine Certification Services, Delhi / Mumbai / Kolkata / Chennai / Hyderabad and Bengaluru.

Copy for kind information and necessary action to;

- 1) Secretary, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Vanijya Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 2) Secretary, Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance, North Block, New Delhi.
- 3) Director General, Directorate General of Foreign Trade, Vanijya Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 4) Shri Peeyush Kumar, Additional Secretary (TNM), Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Vanijya Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 5) Dr. M. Balaji, Joint Secretary (TNM), Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Vanijya Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 6) NIC, DAHD with a request to upload on the Departmental portal.

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Copy also for kind information to;

- 1) PS to the Hon'ble Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying.
- 2) PS to Hon'ble Minister of State for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying (SKB).
- 3) Sr. PPS to the Secretary, DAHD.

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## *Annex*

### **PRODUCT DESIGNATION FOR COMMERCIAL IMPORT OF PREMIUM FROZEN DUCK MEAT INTO INDIA**

This Annex outlines the product designation for commercial importation of premium frozen duck meat into India.<sup>1</sup>

#### **1. SCOPE**

This document prescribes the product designation for raw (unprocessed) frozen duck carcasses and cut-up parts from the Family *Anatidae* marketed as fit for human consumption. Products with added ingredients or “duck preparations” are not permitted.

#### **2. DESCRIPTION**

- (a) This document recommends the relevant product designation for the commercial imports of premium frozen duck meat;
- (b) Exporter/contractors are responsible for delivering products that comply with all contractual and production designation requirements.

**3. DEFINITION** - For the purpose of these product designation for the commercial import of premium frozen duck meat into India, the following definitions shall apply.

- (a) “*Duck meat*” means the edible portion of a duck carcass and cuts-up parts.
- (b) “*Carcass*” means the whole body after bleeding, plucking and evisceration. The heart, liver, lungs, gizzard, crop, legs at the tarsus and the head of duck shall not be included in the carcass.
- (d) “*Frozen duck meat*” means chilled duck meat subjected to freezing in appropriate equipment in such a way that the product attains a temperature of -18° C or lower.
- (e) “*Giblets*” means edible byproducts derived from slaughtered ducks which includes gizzard, liver and heart. The neck will also be placed in the carcass cavity beside the giblet pack.
- (f) “*Whole duck carcass*” means a duck carcass fully composed of head, body, two legs and two wings.
- (g) “*Cut-up-parts*” means cut-up duck carcass, whether or not deboned or deskinning depending on fabricated process.
- (h) “*Breast meat*” means duck meat that is separated from the back of the shoulders through sternum.

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<sup>1</sup> For avoidance of doubt, it is clarified that all premium frozen duck meat imported into India shall also comply with the applicable prevailing conditions in force at the time of such importation.





## 4. REQUIREMENTS

### 4.1 General requirements

- (a) The product designation provided herein are applicable to individual carcasses and cut-up parts of frozen raw duck as described in Section 4.2.
- (b) Carcasses and cut-up parts found to be unsound, unwholesome, or otherwise unfit for human food in whole or in part, shall not be designated as a premium product as specified in the Section 4.2.
- (c) The duck carcass and their cut-up parts shall come with or without bone. Carcasses or cut-up parts with different bone-in or bone out category should not be packed together.
- (d) The duck carcass and their cut-up parts shall come with skin or without skin and color of the skin may be yellow and white. Carcass or cut-up parts shall be from the same production lot and shall be immediately frozen and different skin color duck shall not mix in the same lot.
- (e) In interpreting the respective requirements specified for the premium product designation, the intensity, aggregate area involved, quantity, and locations of:
  - (1) Conformation,
  - (2) Fleshing,
  - (3) Fat covering (amount of subcutaneous fat under the skin),
  - (4) Exposed flesh (resulting from cuts, tears, and missing skin),
  - (5) Disjointed and broken bones,
  - (6) Defeathering (amount of pinfeathers, diminutive feathers, and hair),
  - (7) Discoloration (whether or not caused by dressing operations and bruises),
  - (8) Freezing defects (including freezer burn) as such defects individually, or in combination, detract from the general appearance, shall be considered in determining the particular quality of an individual carcass or part.

### 4.2 Product Designation for Premium Frozen Duck Meat

- (a) *Conformation*- The carcass or cut-up parts should be free of deformities that detract from its appearance or that affect the normal distribution of flesh.
- (b) *Fleshing*- The carcass shall have well-developed covering of flesh.
  - (1) The breast is moderately long and deep and has sufficient flesh to give it a rounded appearance with the flesh carrying well up to the crest of the breastbone along its entire length.
  - (2) The leg is well fleshed and thick and wide at the knee and hip joint area, and has a well-rounded, plump appearance with the flesh carrying well down toward the hock and upward to the hip joint area.
  - (3) The drumstick is well fleshed and thick and wide at the knee joint, and has a well-rounded, plump appearance with the flesh carrying well down toward the hock.

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- (4) The thigh is well to moderately fleshed.
  - (5) The wing will be well to moderately fleshed and shall be intact, or wing tips may be removed at the joint and the parts of the wing beyond the second joint may be removed at the joint if both wings are treated equally.
- (c) *Fat covering*- The carcass or cut-up parts has a well-developed layer of fat under the skin. The fat is well-distributed so that there is a noticeable amount of fat under the skin in the areas between the heavy feather tracts.
- (d) *Exposed flesh*- The carcass shall be practically free of cuts, tears and missing skin, if any, the aggregated length shall not exceed 6.5 mm on the breast and legs. 38 mm is allowed on a carcass other than the breast and legs. Parts may have only 6.5 mm exposed flesh.
- (e) *Disjointed and broken bones*- Carcass or cut-up parts shall be free of broken bones except wing tips may be removed beyond the second joint if both wings are treated equally. The tail may be removed at the base. Cut-up parts will be free of disjointed bones except that thighs with back portion, legs or leg quarters, may have the femur dislocated from the hip joint. Otherwise, not more than one disjointed bone is allowed on the carcass.
- (f) *Defeathering*- The carcass or cut-up parts shall have a clean appearance and shall appear free of pinfeathers, diminutive feathers, and hair especially on the breast and legs. To meet these conditions, carcasses may have no more than 8 protruding feathers, and parts may have no more than 4 feathers. Each feather shall be less than 13 mm. Any feather over 13 mm would not allow for the duck to meet the import requirements. Additionally, any hair or down on the carcass or part shall be less than 5 mm and must be scattered to have the clean appearance.
- (g) *Discoloration*- Discoloration due to bruising shall be free of clots. Carcasses may have lightly shaded flesh bruises and discolorations of the skin provided the aggregate area does not exceed 26 mm on the breast or legs of the carcass or elsewhere on the carcass at 58 mm. Moderately shaded discolorations on the carcass are limited to the hock of the leg at 13 mm or elsewhere (besides breast and leg) on the carcass at 26 mm. Lightly shaded discolorations are permitted on cut-up parts at 19 mm and moderate at 10 mm. Evidence of incomplete bleeding, such as more than an occasional slightly reddened feather follicle, is not permitted.
- (h) *Freezing defects (including freezer burn)* -The carcass and cut-up parts shall be practically free from defects which result from handling or occur during freezing or storage. The following defects are permitted if they, alone or in combination, detract only very slightly from the appearance of the carcass and cut-up parts-
- (1) Slight darkening over the back and drumsticks provided the deep-frozen duck or part has a generally bright appearance.
  - (2) Occasional pockmarks due to drying of the inner layer of skin (derma) (however, none may exceed the area of a circle 3 mm in diameter for duck carcass weighing 2.5 kg or less and 6 mm in diameter for duck carcass weighing over 2.5 kg).

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- (3) Occasional small areas of clear, pinkish, or reddish colored ice.
- (4) Occasional small areas of dehydration, white to light gray in color, on the flesh of skinless carcasses and cut-up parts, not to exceed the permitted aggregate area for discolorations.

**NOTE:**

The above-mentioned product designation for the commercial import of premium frozen duck meat into India will be mandatorily subject to system audit as well as physical inspection of establishment(s) in the exporting country before initiating the exports into India.

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*Yashwantrao Chavan*