

The Icelandic Food and Veterinary Authority (MAST) can issue health certificates for fishery products landed in Iceland by vessels originating in EEA countries other than Iceland if certain conditions are met. Such certification is possible on the basis of the EEA Agreement and EU food legislation and is based on regulation no. 2017/625 on official controls.

Requirements for certification

The producer/exporter must be aware of the export requirements and conditions to be certified. Furthermore, the producer/exporter must be registered with the relevant authorities in the receiving country according to the applicable rules.

The following documents are necessary for issuing of certificate for fishery products of EEA origin, other than Icelandic:

1. **Pre-export certificate:** certificates issued by the authorities of the country of origin confirming that the manufacturer is under the supervision of the competent authorities. The manufacturer / exporter must request a pre-export certificate from the relevant authorities.
2. **Loading attestation:** the exporter shall request a loading attestation to be carried out by MAST, which includes an inspection of the consignment before export. A [loading attestation application](#) must be completed and sent to MAST (vottord.fiskur@mast.is) with a request for inspection of the consignment.

Processing of certificates

1. The applicant (producer/exporter) fills in the appropriate certificate form and sends the request to MAST.
2. The processing time for health certificates is 24 hours on business days. The consignor must be registered in Iceland (with an Icelandic "kennitala").
3. Costs due to the above, including inspection of consignment and issuance of certificates is paid by the applicant (producer/exporter).