

Official Import Requirements and Standards Regarding Food Import and Food Safety

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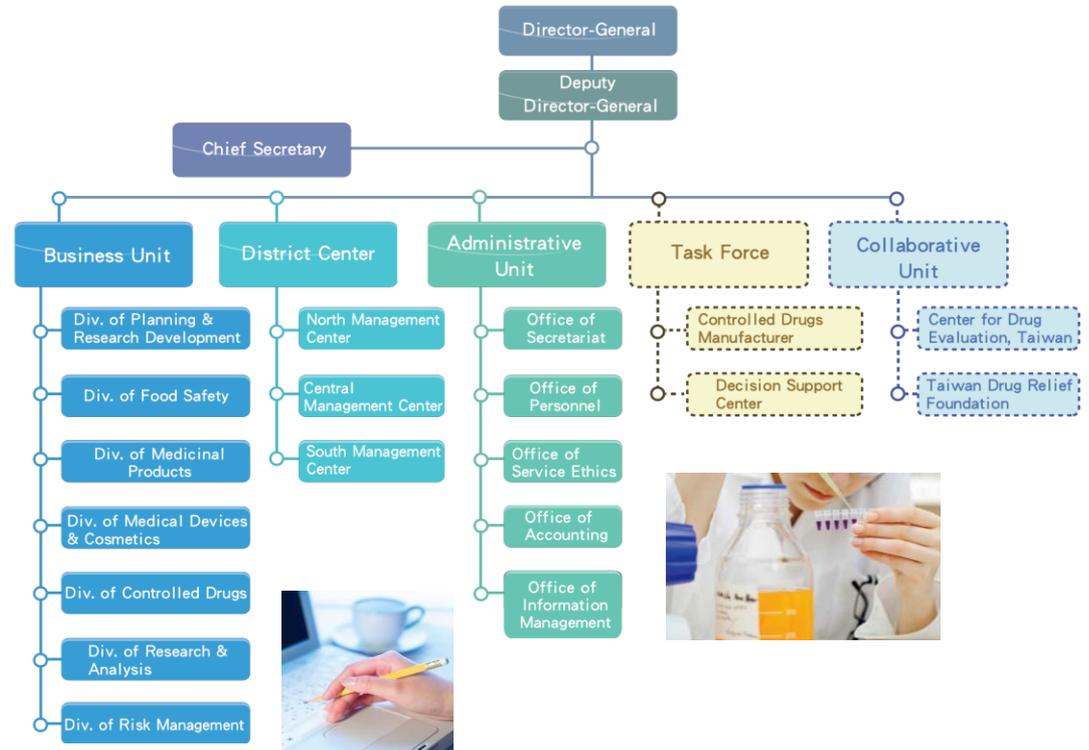
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Ministry of Health and Welfare



- The MOHW's mission is to promote the health and well-being of all citizens.

Food and Drug Administration Organization

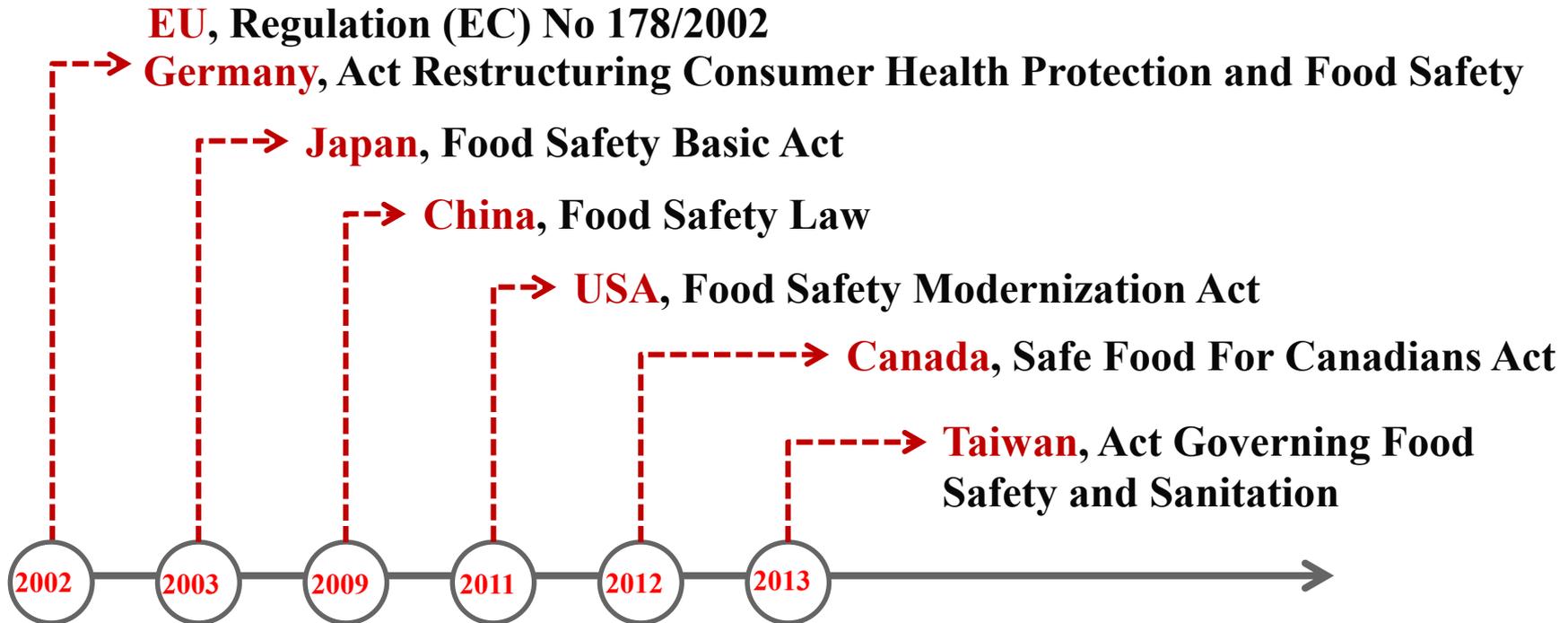


- The TFDA dedicates to fulfill the vision of safeguarding national health and leading the nation into a new era of food and drug management.

Outline

- **National Food Management Trends**
- **New “Five-Point Food Safety” Policy**
- **ICT Systems Application on Food Safety Management**
- **Food Import Control**
- **Conclusions**

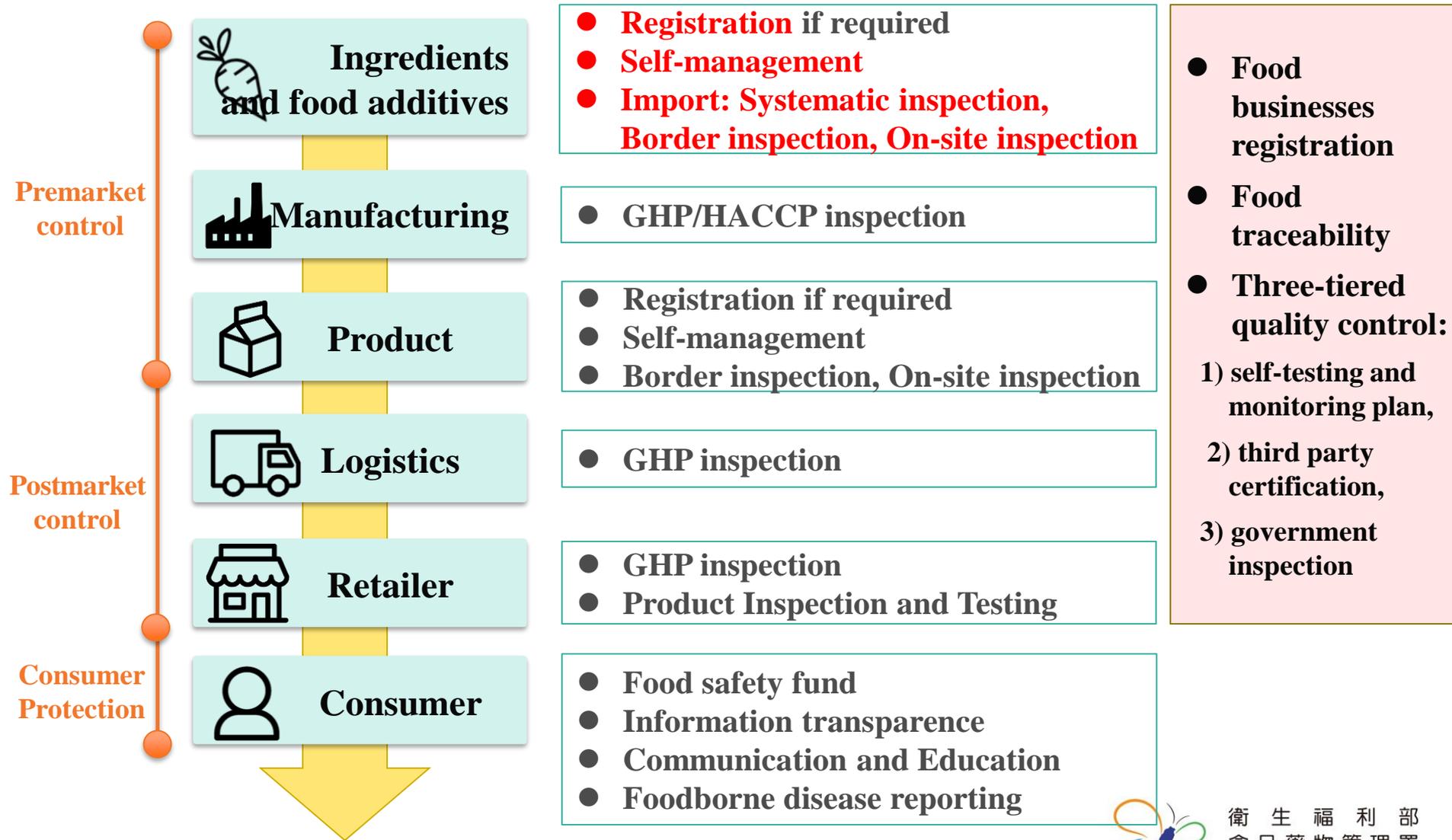
National Food Management Trends



Key point:

Corporate Social Responsibility, Risk Analysis, Traceability, Big data Analysis, Professionals with Vocational or Technical Certification, etc.

Food Safety Management Principles



New Five-Point Food Safety Policy

- President Tsai Ing-Wen issued a **“five-point food safety policy”** as a promotional strategy to take responsibility for national food safety in June, 2016.

- 1**  Strengthen source control management
- 2**  Re-establish the food production-management system
- 3**  Strengthen government market inspection capabilities
- 4**  Increase liability for producers and vendors
- 5**  Encourage and create oversight platforms

- It has been approached through coordinated policies integrated by the Office of Food Safety, Executive Yuan, along with related authorities as COA, EPA, Ministry of Health and Welfare, Ministry of Economic Affairs, and Ministry of Education.



Strengthen Source Control Management

- **Toxic and Chemical Substances Bureau (TCSB) has been set up under the EPA in 2016.**
 - seek to reinforce inspection technologies.
 - harmonize with international chemical substance management trends.
 - utilize cloud computing technologies to keep track of food safety information starting from the production source.





Re-establish the Production-Management System

COA Qualified Traceable Ingredients

- Schools have been encouraged to use **locally grown, organic and origin-traceable ingredients** for student lunches.



Certified
Agricultural
Standards
Organic



Certified
Agricultural
Standards



Traceable
Agriculture
Product



Good
Agriculture
Practice

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Products
Production
Traceability QR-
Code

<https://www.coa.gov.tw/4b1q/>



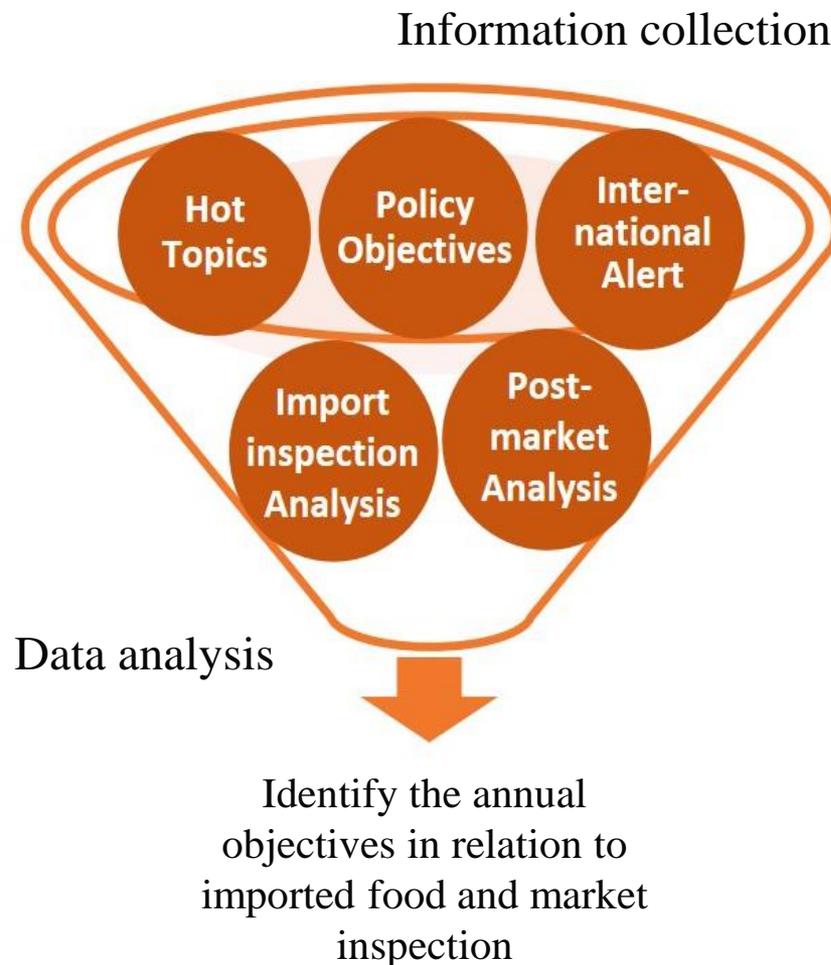
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About **1.7 million students** are expected to benefit.



Strengthen Market Inspection Capabilities

- Improve the hygiene and safety of both imported and domestic food products
- 98% imported products and 95% domestic products meet the requirement of regulations in 2017.



4 Increase Liability for Producers and Vendors

- **Uniform standards for imposing fines and penalties have been set**
 - provisions covering the number of violations and illegal factory operations.
 - these provisions are designed to ensure that vendors of adulterated food products **are held responsible for their actions.**

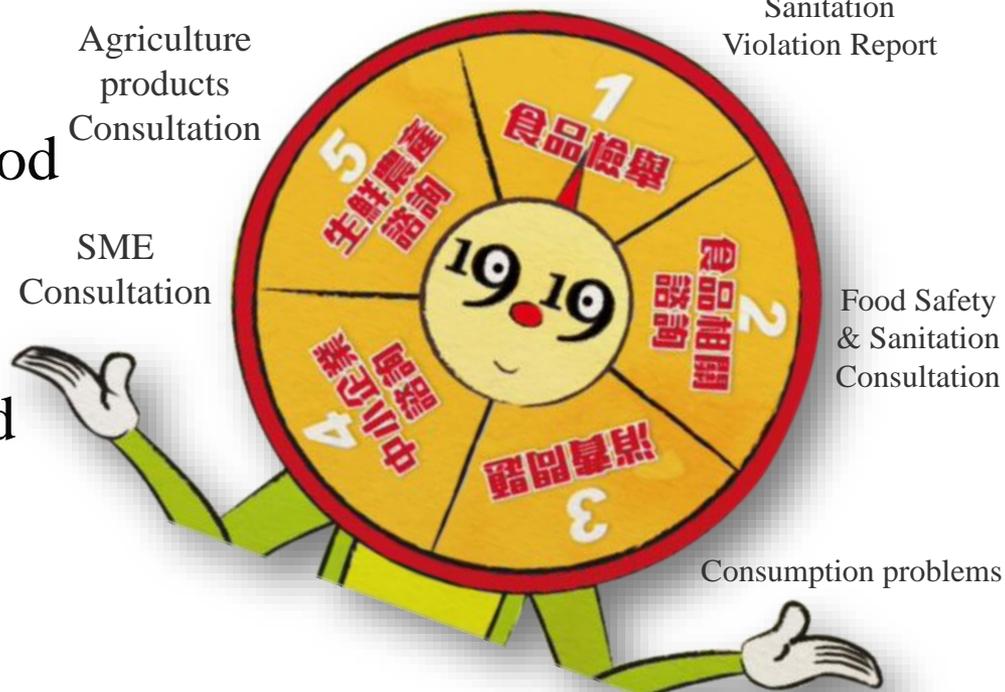


彰化縣衛生局至頂新製油公司稽查文件核對
atives of FDA and Changhua-based DOH verifying documents at Ting Hsin's
in Changhua.

5 Encourage and Create Oversight Platforms

Report a Problem with Food -Call 1919 !

- Set up the national food safety and informant hotline number (#1919).
- A single telephone line dedicated for reporting food safety concerns to 4 ministries.
- Over 100,000 calls related to food safety since December of 2015.



ICT Systems Application on Food Safety

Connect Whole Food Supply Chain



GHP,
GMP,
HACCP
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Food businesses

- Imported foreign foods and materials
- Domestic agriculture products

Internet Connection

Product tracking



Consumers

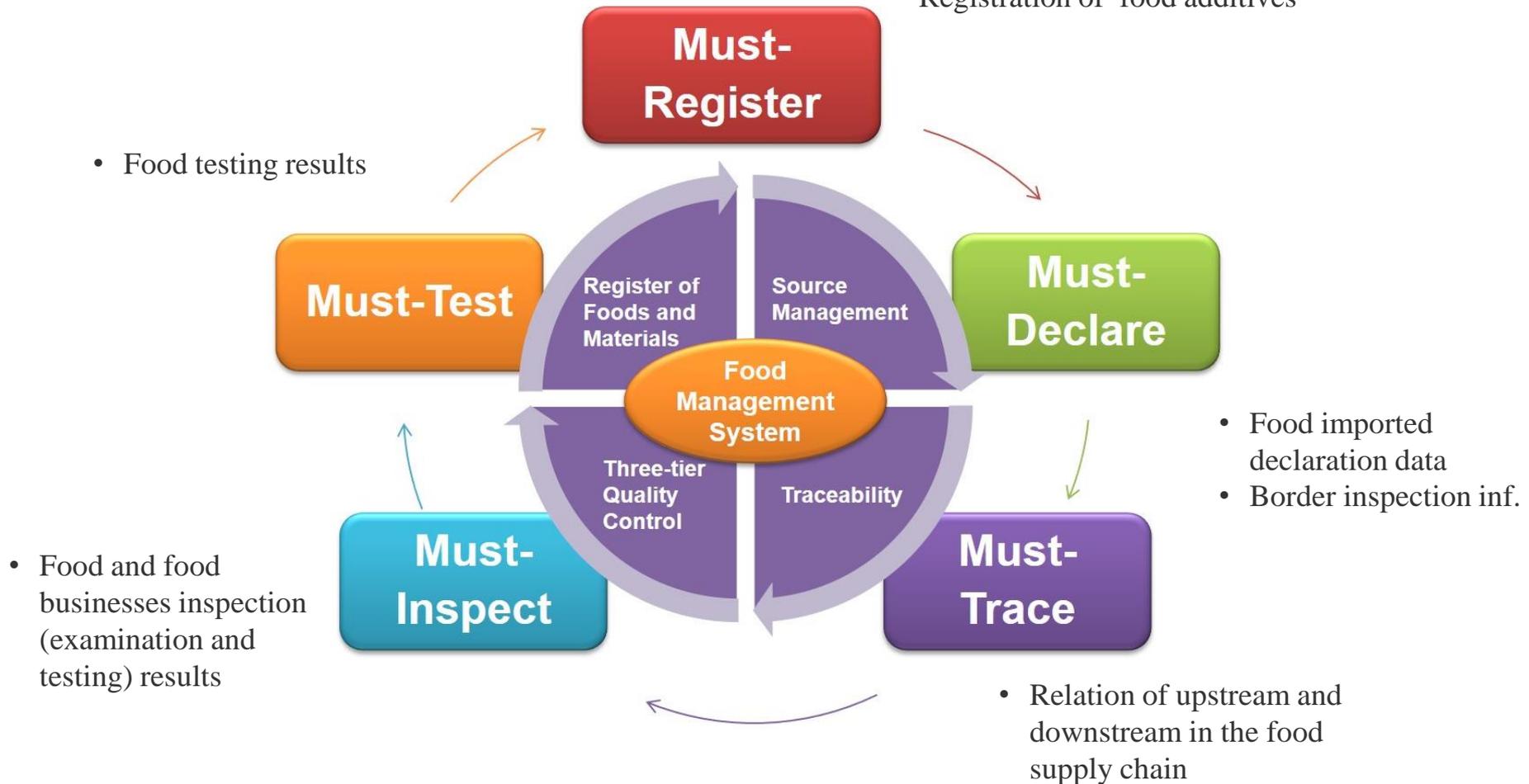
- products information online.

• Indispensable information of food safety management:

- ✓ Food business information
- ✓ Products and ingredients traceable data
- ✓ Inspected and tested results.

“Five-Must” Information Systems

- Food businesses apply for registration
- Registration of food additives



食品藥物業者登錄平台

Must-Register Information System Platform

非登不可

憑證登入

請以憑證進行登入

- 工商憑證/繼續憑證
- 自然人憑證
- 機關憑證
- 工商憑證/繼續憑證之自然人憑證
- 機關憑證/繼續憑證之自然人憑證

憑證無法登入時，請參考附件
各類設定步驟



公告資訊

- ▶ 新增非登不可之
- ▶ 食品業者登錄
- ▶ 食品製造業者登錄
- ▶ 食品經銷業者登錄
- ▶ 食品製造業者登錄

食品業者登錄資料家次統計

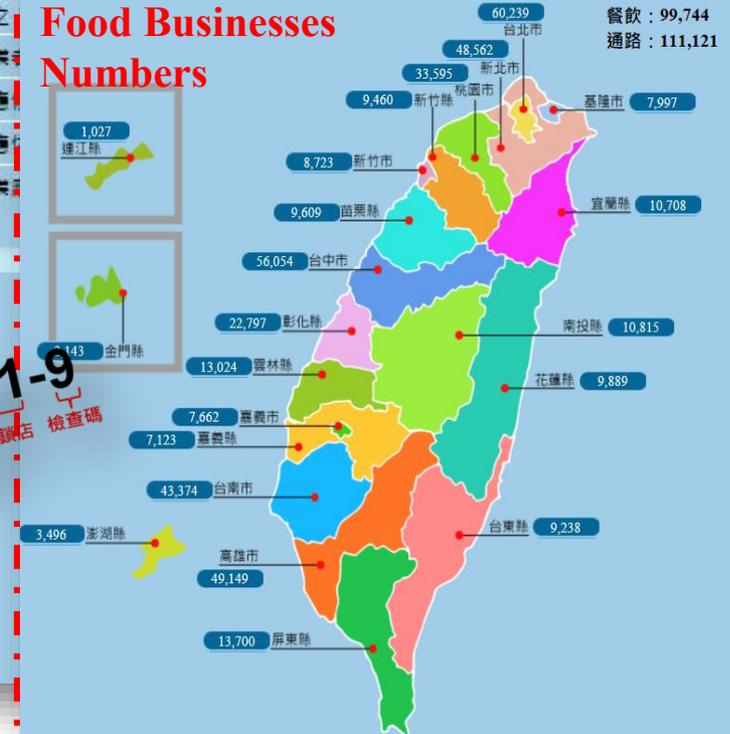
登錄資料家次統計

Statistics of Food Businesses Numbers

全台業者總家次：438,384

食品公司：209,662
食品工廠：17,857
餐飲：99,744
通路：111,121

(Total : 438,384)



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 數字為1 - 食品業者的統一編號
 數字為2 - 食品業者的流水號
 工廠/製造場所/連鎖店 檢查碼

查詢專區

不需憑證登入也可以查詢

食品業者登錄資料查詢

食品添加物業者及
產品登錄資料查詢

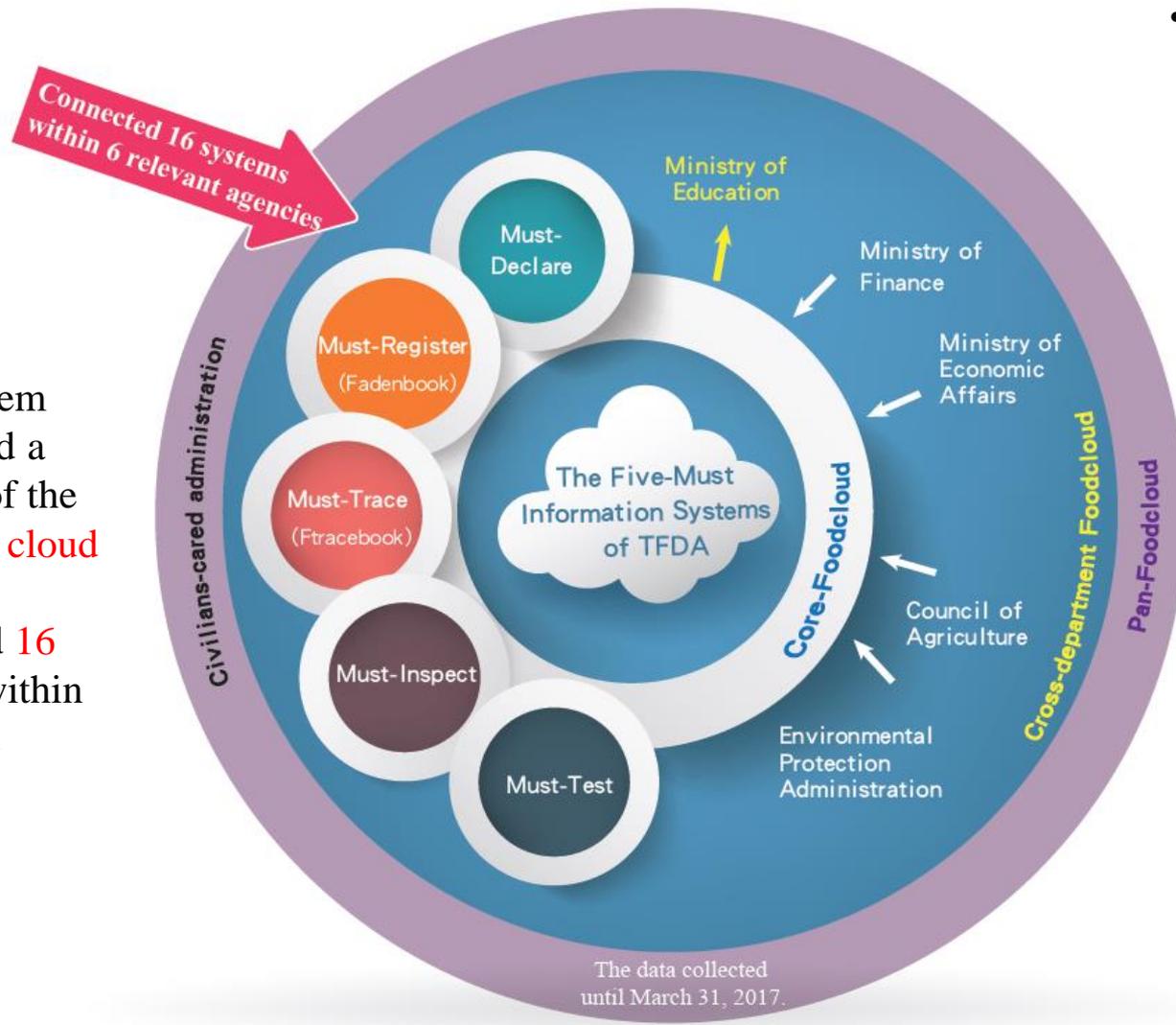
Search Food Business
Registration Information

相關連結

<https://fadenbook.fda.gov.tw/>

The Whole Picture of Food Cloud

- Two of them are formed a network of the **Pan-Food cloud** which is connected **16** systems within **6** relevant agencies.



- Not only construct “**Five-Must**” system, but also integrate food-related data with other agencies, such as **MOE, MOF, MOEA, COA and EPA.**

Act Governing Food Safety and Sanitation

Chapter no.	Chapter name	Article
1	General Principles	§1~3
2	Risk Management for Food Safety	§4~6
3	Sanitary Control of Food Businesses	§7~14
4	Food Sanitation Control	§15~21
5	Food Labeling and Advertisement	§22~29
6	Food Import Control	§30~36
7	Food Testing	§37~40
8	Food Examination and Control	§41~43
9	Penal Provisions	§44~56
10	Supplementary Provisions	§57~60

Food Import Control Chapter-§30

- **Application** for inspection with TFDA and **declaration** of the relevant information of the product are required and shall be in accordance with the **customs commodity code and classification** when importing foods, genetically modified food raw materials, food additives, food utensils, food containers or packaging and food cleansers designated by MOHW in a public announcement.
- Import regulation codes **(12)**
 - **F01, F02**, 508, 806, 821, 823, 824, 826, 827, 828, 830, 831

Import Regulation Examples

TFDA of MOHW

F01 : Apply for import inspection at TFDA according to “Regulations of Inspection of Imported Foods and Related Products”

F02 : Apply for import inspection at TFDA according to “Regulations of Inspection of Imported Foods and Related Products” if related to food or containing food

BAPHIQ (Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine)

B01 : Apply for import quarantine at BAPHIQ of COA

BOFT of MOEA (Bureau of Foreign Trade, MOEA)

113 : Apply for import permit at BOFT when importing from the US

501 : MOHW consent letter is required

508 : A photocopy of MOHW Food Additive Permit is required when importing food additives.

511 : An MOHW consent letter is required for importing food in capsule or tablet form.

513 : A photocopy of Chinese medicine trader license (or a medicine manufacturing permit issued by MOHW) is required when importing Chinese medicine. Products not used as Chinese medicine should be noted as such.

8XX : Importers should refer to relevant regulations designated by product classification.

MW0 : Commodities from China not permitted for import

MP1 : Commodities from China conditionally permitted for import

◆ The CCC Code is designed for tax purposes

◆ **Not for food classifications**

CCC Code	Product name	Import regulations
0203.22.0 0.00-9	Hams, shoulders and cuts thereof, of swine, with bone in, frozen	B01 F01 MW0
0206.21.0 0.00-7	Tongues of bovine animals, frozen	113 B01 F01 MW0
0804.10.1 0.00-4	Red dates, dried (including for Chinese drugs)	513 F02
1901.10.0 0.10-4	Milk powder for infant use (incl follow up formula), milk for infant use, put up for retail sale	501 F01
2106.90.9 9.20-8	Food preparations, in capsule or tablet form	511 F01
3204.12.1 0.10-0	Acid food dyes	508

Procedure of Customs Clearance for Imported Food



Importers

Animal and plant
products quarantine

Custom clearance

Imported food
inspection

declare

select

check



approval

check



approval



BAPHIQ

(Bureau of Animal and Plant Health
Inspection and Quarantine)



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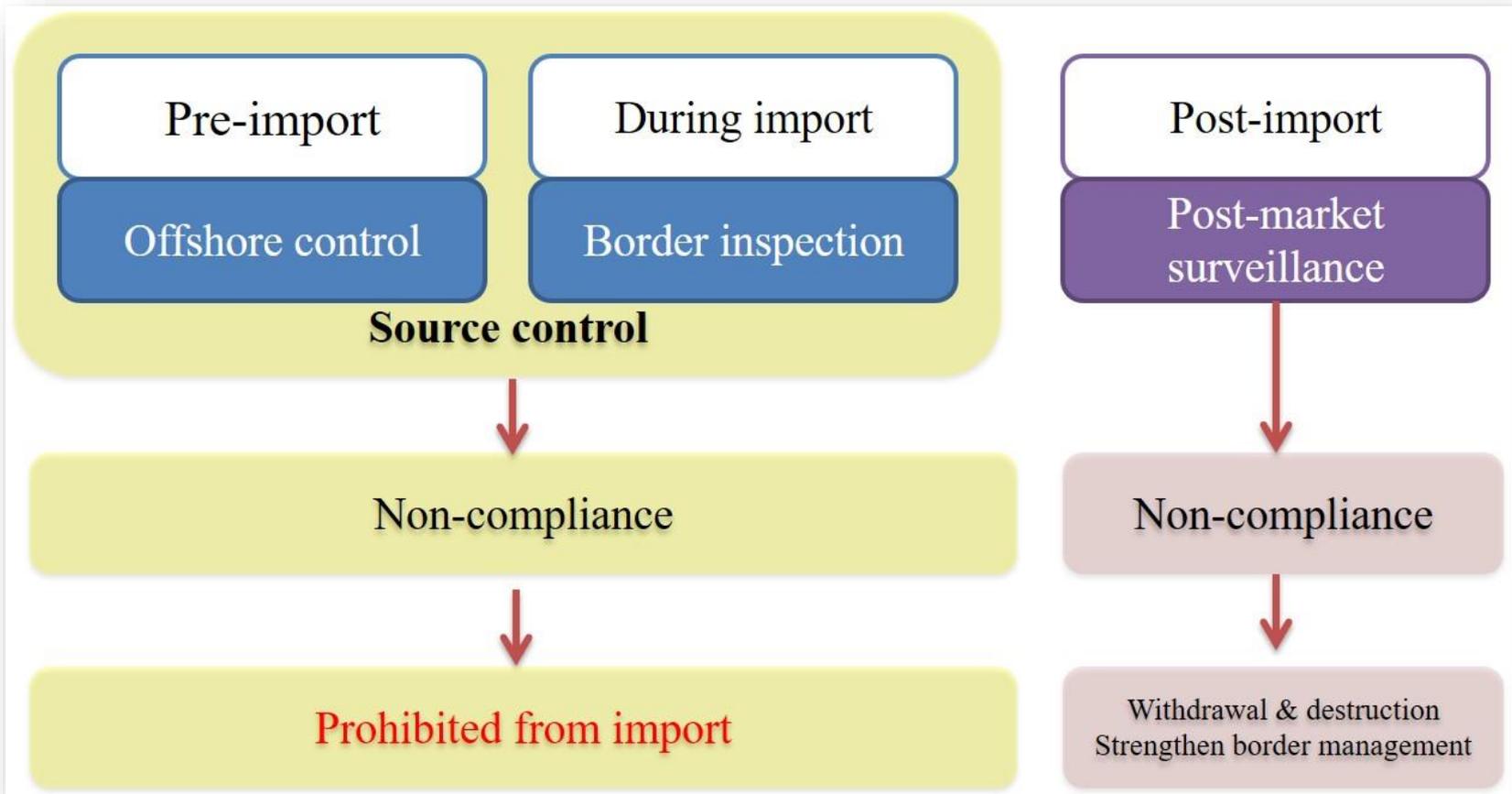
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Clearance of Goods

Imported Food Control in Taiwan

Triple Control: Source/Border/Market



Pre-import Source Control

- Offer official sanitary certificates
- Imported Products from the Qualified FBOs
- Proceed systematic inspection or regular on-site inspection
- Communicate with bilateral agreements
- Monitor international alert information

Official Sanitary Certificates

- **Official sanitary certificates shall be accompanied by the export country**
 - e.g. Shellfish imported for human consumption shall be accompanied with a **Health Certificate** that includes the information of the **harvest area** and **issued by the competent authority of exporting country**


Veterinärzertifikat für die Ausfuhr von verarbeiteten Meeresfrüchten aus der Bundesrepublik Deutschland in die Republik China (Taiwan)
Veterinary certificate for the exportation of processed seafood from the Federal Republic of Germany to the Republic of China (Taiwan)

L1. Name und Anschrift des Versenders / Name and address of consignor Name / Name Anschrift / Address Tel.-Nr. / Tel No. E-Mail		L2. Bescheinigungs-Nr. / Certificate Number L3. Zuständige oberste Behörde / Central Competent Authority Bundesministerium für Ernährung und Landwirtschaft Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture L4. Zuständige örtliche Veterinärbehörde / Responsible local veterinary authority	
L5. Name und Anschrift des Empfängers / Name and address of consignee Name / Name Anschrift / Address Tel.-Nr. / Tel No. E-Mail		L6.	
L7. Herkunftsland / Country of origin ISO-Code L8. Herkunftsregion / Region of origin ISO-Code			
L11. Herkunftsort / Place of origin Name / Name		L9. Bestimmungsland / Country of destination ISO-Code L10. Bestimmungsregion / Region of destination ISO-Code L12. Bestimmungsort / Place of destination Name / Name	

(Unterschrift des zuständigen amtlichen Tierarztes)¹⁾
(Signature of the competent official veterinarian)¹⁾

(Name und Dienststellung des amtlichen Tierarztes in Druckbuchstaben)
(Name and qualification of the official veterinarian in block letters)

Imported Products from the Qualified FBOs

- **The List of FBOs qualified for exporting to Taiwan**
 - For example : meat products

瑞典牛肉及其相關產品核准輸臺指定設施名單 The list of Sweden beef products establishments for exporting to Taiwan			
序號 Ref.	製造廠代碼 Establishment No.	工廠名稱 Establishment Name	工廠地址 Site Address
1	41	KLS Ugglarps AB Hörby	Metallgatan 4 242 35 Hörby
2	48	KLS Ugglarps AB	Senåsa, 516 90 DALSJÖFORS
3	51	KLS Ugglarps AB	Södra vägen 60, 392 45 KALMAR
4	82	A J Dahlbergs Slakteri AB	Rostockvägen/Box8 464 06 Brålanda
5	118	Skövde Slakteri	Aspelundsvägen, 541 34 SKÖVDE
6	245	Svea Kött i Malmö AB	Käglingevägen 27, 213 76 Malmö
7	299	Johanneshovs Slakthusfrys AB	Hallmästarvägen 10-12, 121 62 JOHANNESHOV
8	440	Syd Frys AB	Vägeavägen 1 265 75 Hyllinge
9	452	Skara Frys AB	Ängatorpsgatan 2, 532 37 Skara
10	454	Syd Frys AB	Norra Bokhagsvägen 27, 253 55 Mörarp

<https://www.fda.gov.tw/TC/siteContent.aspx?sid=9752>

Systematic Inspections

- **§35 of Act Governing Food Safety and Sanitation**

(added in June 2013)

- Paragraph 1

- For the management and control of foods with a higher degree of safety risk, the central competent authority may perform systematic inspections before the importation thereof.

- Paragraph 2

- The regulations for the systematic inspections shall be prescribed by the central competent authority.

- **Regulations for Systematic Inspection of Imported Food have been announced**

Systematic Inspection Mechanism

Regulations for Systematic Inspection of Imported Food

- **Examine the equivalence of the food safety management system of the exporting country (territory) and that of Taiwan**
 - including document review and on-site inspection
- **Implementation of export country**
 - FSM system implemented
 - Management structure
 - Food safety regulations
 - Monitoring programs and capabilities
- **FBOs' self-management**
 - GHP, GMP, HACCP implementation
 - Raw materials control, Traceability
 - Education and training
 - Personnel management, customer complaints



Regulations for Systematic Inspection of Imported Food

- **§3 The scope of products subject to systematic inspection**

- Meat products
- Fishery products
- Dairy products



- **§7 Products, subjected to the scope of this regulation, had existed import records before promulgation of these Regulation might be exempted from the systematic inspection.**

Management of Imported Food and Related Products (by Product Classification)

<p>Meat, Fishery, Dairy</p>	<p>Pre-import systematic inspection</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p> <p>Inspection during import</p>
<p>Other foods Plastic baby bottles Porcelain utensils Disposable chopsticks</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Inspection during import</p>
<p>GM soybeans/maize Food in capsule or tablet form Baby formula for one-year-old Special dietary food (Partial) food additives</p>	<p>Pre-import inspection & registration</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p> <p>Inspection during import</p>
<p>(Partial) food additives</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Inspection and registration before import</p>
<p>Metal utensils</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">No need for import inspection</p>

TFDA Review Processes for Import of Meat and Meat Products (Excluding Beef)

Step 1 Application

- The applicant country which intends to export meat and related products to Taiwan shall apply at BAPHIQ.

Step 2 Food Safety Questionnaire

- The applicant country shall fill out the food safety questionnaire for review by TFDA.
- TFDA requests the country to submit supplementary data if necessary.

Step 3 On-site Inspection

- TFDA and BAPHIQ go to the country for on-site inspection.

Step 4 Inter-agency Communication

- TFDA and BAPHIQ present inspection results.
- TFDA and BAPHIQ ask the country to provide supplementary data if necessary.

Step 5 Confirmation and Open

- The following items are decided during interdisciplinary communication:
 - (1) Open scope
 - (2) Open timing
 - (3) Import conditions

Meat and meat products shall not come from endemic areas. Applicants shall contact BAPHIQ for application and review.

Note: TFDA reviews safety and risks associated with bovine derivative food products from BSE infected countries. Applicants from BSE infected countries shall provide relevant documents and apply at TFDA according to the procedures on TFDA website at <http://www.fda.gov.tw/TC/siteList.aspx?sid=223>

Monitor International Alert Information

- **Monitor the website information from countries over the world**
 - US FDA, Canadian Food Inspection Agency, EFSA, Food Standards Australia New Zealand, etc.
- **Make action (risk management)**
 - strengthen border management according to the risk level
 - withdraw and destroy the products if already imported.



Conclusions



TFDA sets up the “safety and sanitary of food” as the priority mission and “the food safety protector which trusted by all people, create food safety consume circumstance“ as the vision to establish completed and perfect food safety management system in order to conduct the promise of promoting whole people’s health and well-being made by MOHW.

Thanks for your attention!

For more information

Web site is at: <http://www.fda.gov.tw>

