



Requirements concerning export of animal foodstuffs by private individuals

Please find enclosed the requirements applicable to the export of Greenlandic victuals (animal foodstuffs) from Greenland to Denmark. The relevant authority is the Danish Veterinary and Food Administration in Copenhagen and any further questions should be addressed to this authority. This information will also subsequently appear on the Veterinary Department's website.

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Import of meat, fish, eggs, etc., into Denmark

Meat, fish, eggs, honey, etc., are designated as animal foodstuffs. The following rules apply when importing these foodstuffs from Greenland into Denmark.

Private individuals are permitted to take the following animal foodstuffs from Greenland to Denmark:

10 kg meat, 20 kg fish and 10 kg other products (e.g. eggs and honey).

The products must be imported in own baggage in connection with entry into the country or in direct connection with entry, or otherwise received as packages sent from Greenland to named persons – with the proviso that in all cases the products are for personal consumption only.

It is thus not permitted to sell the foodstuffs or to give them as a gift.

If in any doubt, please contact the Danish Veterinary and Food Administration in Denmark (see below).

Combined forwarding of animal foodstuffs to several persons to a single address is permitted if:

The consignment is accompanied by a list on which the names and addresses of all recipients of the foodstuffs in the consignment appear in a clear and precise manner and each package is individually labelled with the name of the end recipient.

The recipient specified on the list must collect the packages intact from the recipient of the consignment.

The consignment is divided into individual packages, each containing no more than 10 kg meat and 20 kg fish.

The border control veterinarian in Denmark must be notified prior to each shipment (see below).

The foodstuffs may not be sold or given as a gift, but are for personal consumption only.

Shipment to associations in Denmark is permitted if:

The consignment is divided into individual packages of no more than 5 kg meat, 5 kg fish and 5 kg other products (e.g. eggs and honey).

The individual packages are labelled with their contents.

The border control veterinarian in Denmark is notified prior to each shipment (see below).

The foodstuffs may not be sold or given as a gift, but are solely for personal consumption by each member of the association concerned.

It is currently not permitted to export narwhal, walrus and polar bear from Greenland to Denmark. Remember that a CITES permit must be secured in the event of the import of beluga whale, minke whale, pilot whale, basking shark and European eel.

Contact details for border control veterinarians in Denmark are as follows:

Border control at Kastrup airport
Kystvejen 16, 2770 Kastrup
Tel. +45 32460099 / +45 72276450

Border control in Aalborg (port)
Langerak, 9220 Aalborg Ø
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Best regards

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