

Animal feed preparations without nutritional value

1. General

1.1 Background

Animal feed preparations without nutritional value, which are used as technical additives in feedstuffs for agricultural livestock and which have an energy value of less than 0.5% of an animal's daily feed requirement, may be imported subject to tariff relief, provided that a corresponding confirmation from the FOCBS exists.

The remaining provisions that apply when importing goods which attract customs relief depending on the intended use must also be complied with. For example, for import purposes, an end-use commitment is required in addition to the confirmation from the FOCBS.

1.2 Legal basis and information

FDF Ordinance of 4 April 2007 on Customs Facilitations for Goods Depending on the Intended Use (FDF Customs Facilitation Ordinance, CustFO; [SR 631.012](#))

R-17 Zollerleichterungen für Waren je nach Verwendungszweck
(www.bazg.admin.ch → Documentation → Regulations → [R-17](#))

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1.3 Reference in Tares

Tariff items that are relevant from a customs law perspective contain the note "Permit obligation: FOCBS-AGRO".

1.4 Definitions

Animal feed preparations without nutritional value	- Products with customs tariff numbers 2309.9081, 2309.9082 or 2309.9089 with an energy value of less than 0.5% of an animal's daily feed requirement, as confirmed by the FOCBS
Livestock	- Horses, cattle, sheep, goats, pigs, rabbits and domestic poultry

2. Information in the customs / goods declaration

Anyone importing animal feed preparations without nutritional value must provide an indication in the goods declaration regarding the regulation requirement and enter the FOCBS confirmation number.

Identification Regulation	e-dec: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Authorisation requirement "yes"- Authorising office "FOCBS-AGRO"
Additional details	- "Permit" section Format "FOCBS-AGRO", Confirmation number, Date, Product name"

3. Further information

The FOCBS confirmation must be issued **before the first import**. The request must be submitted by email to the FOCBS using the form (available on the homepage) and the requisite documents. The FOCBS forwards the documents to Agroscope, which assesses the energy value.

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Prerequisite for submitting a request is a valid and activated business partner ID: www.bazg.admin.ch → Services → Services for companies → Registration → [Registration ePortal \(Onboarding\)](#)