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**IR2010-3/36 .Health requirements for Import Ovine/Bovine Chilled meat
from EU members into I.R.IRAN**

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- 1) The Ovine/Bovine chilled meats intended for export to I.R.Iran have to be produced in establishments which have been registered, inspected and verified by Veterinary competent authority of origin country.
- 2) All procedures include health certification, for product and export ovine / bovine meat into I.R.Iran have to be fully comply with Regulation (EC) No 852/2004, (EC) No 853/2004, (EC) No 854/2004 and also **COMMISSION DECISION 2008/752/EC.**
- 3) Presence of IVO's representative for checking production process and religious supervisor and issuing their own certificates (Health certificate and Halal certificate) for each consignment, as a part of commercial arrangement between the exporter and the importer (added to certificates issued by competent authority of origin country) is necessary
- 4) The meat has to be derived from ovine not exceeding 18 months of age/ bovine not exceeding 30 months of age.
- 5) The meat has to be derived from male ovine/bovine animals originated from EU member countries.
- 6) In case of whole carcass ovine meat:
- 7) Individual carcass shall be appropriately wrapped in stockinet and PE bags; and maintained between 4°C and minus1.5°C



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during storage and transportation. The shelf life should be considered **72 hours** after chilling room period.

8) The duration from slaughter to export shipment shall not be more than 12 hours and the consignments should arrive to ports of Iran not later than 36 hours before expiration of shelf life.

9) In case of cut ovine/bovine meat :

- Individual cuts of chilled meat shall be appropriately vacuum packaged and maintained between 4^oC and minus1.5^oC during storage and transportation. The shelf life should be considered 45 days since slaughter.
- The duration from slaughter to export shipment shall not be more than 15 days and the consignments should arrive to ports of Iran not later than 20 days before expiration of shelf life.
- Upon entry into ports of Iran, the consignment will be checked and the samples will be taken for organoleptical and microbiological testes and the results must fulfill the standard of *Institute of Standards and Industrial research of Iran* (No.9717)