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New Industry Portal for Responding to FDA FSVP Records Requests

On May 10, 2021, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) created [a new submission process](#) for responses to FDA records requests about compliance with the FDA Foreign Supplier Verification Programs for Food Importers (FSVP). The “FSVP Importer Portal for FSVP Records Submission,” which is available through the “FDA Unified Registration and Listing System” (FURLS), is intended to provide “a dedicated, streamlined way for importers to submit FSVP records electronically to the FDA. . . .” Registration with and use of the FSVP Importer Portal is voluntary, although it may provide a more convenient method of providing documents in response to a Form FDA-482d, “Request for FSVP Records.”

FDA typically conducts inspections of FSVP records at an importer’s place of business. However, FDA has significantly increased the use of written requests for documents since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. If FDA requests documents in writing, the FSVP regulation requires importers to provide FSVP records electronically or through another means that delivers the records promptly.

In order to use the FSVP Importer Portal, an account must be created with the FDA Industry Systems, which is accessed through the following link: <https://www.access.fda.gov/>. Note that the FDA Industry Systems is the network used for the FURLS Food Facility Registration Module (FFRM). Instructions for using the FSVP Importer Portal are provided in the User Guide available [here](#).

FDA states that accessing the FSVP Importer Portal is best through either Microsoft Edge or Google Chrome.

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INDUSTRY DATES TO REMEMBER

JULY 1, 2021

Last day for an exporting country that is not designating importers for calendar year 2021 to notify FAS.

AUGUST 31, 2021

Last day to enter dairy products into U.S. Customs territory that may be used to qualify and establish eligibility for a calendar year 2021 license.

SEPTEMBER 1, 2021

First day of license eligibility period for next quota year-plus one. Example: entries made on or after September 1, 2021 can be used to establish eligibility for a license for calendar year 2022.

SEPTEMBER 1, 2021

Last date to request globalization of a calendar year 2020 license. First transmission date for applications for reallocated license amounts for calendar year 2020. First transmission date for all applications for calendar year 2021 licenses.

SEPTEMBER 15, 2021

(no exceptions!) Last transmission date for licensees applying for reallocated license amounts for calendar year 2021.

OCTOBER 1, 2021

(no exceptions!) Last transmission date for licensees to surrender all or the unused portion of their calendar year 2021 licenses.

OCTOBER 15, 2021

(no exceptions!) Last transmission date for all applications for calendar year 2022 licenses.

OCTOBER 31, 2021

Exporting countries that are designating U.S. importers for calendar year 2022 must submit their designations to FAS by this date.

DECEMBER 20, 2021

(approximately) FAS issues first notice of calendar year 2022 licenses to licensees.

DECEMBER 31, 2021

Last day for licensees to make entries to fulfill the requirement to use 85% of their calendar year 2021 license amount. Last day for which calendar year 2021 licenses are valid

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