

# Specifications for the Import of Vegetable Oils Australia

**Range of vegetable oils: olive oil, rapeseed oil, soya oil, palm kernel oil, palm oil, sunflower oil, safflower oil**

In addition to the general requirements and the labeling requirements please refer to the following resources.

**Australia and New Zealand Food standard on edible oils (See Aust std no.26).**

**Commercial import for all the range**

1. An Import Permit is not required.
2. Each consignment must be free of live insects and other quarantine risk material before arrival in Australia.
3. Any packaging used with the consignment must be clean and new.
4. Consignments are exempt from inspection.
5. Random inspections will be conducted to verify that the consignment is free of quarantine risk material.

Condition C6977

**Imported food safety requirements**

1. Commercial consignments of imported food are monitored by AQIS to ensure that the food poses minimal risk to public health. It is the responsibility of the importer to ensure that all food they import complies with the requirements of the Australian Food Standards Code (FSC). The FSC is administered by Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ) and a copy of the FSC can be found on the [FSANZ website](#).
2. The FSC no longer permits the treatment of food products with ethylene oxide.
3. The FSC prescribes the rates of gamma irradiation with which food products can be treated. In some cases, the treatment rates required for quarantine purposes are greater than those permitted by the FSC.
4. Additional information on imported food inspections is available under [Importing food to Australia](#) on the AQIS website.

5. Importers are advised to ensure proposed quarantine treatments comply with the relevant agencies' requirements.

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### **AQIS minimum documentary requirements to support assessment of all documentation**

All documentation presented to AQIS as part of the import process must meet the requirements of the [Minimum Documentary Requirements Policy](#). These requirements include:

1. Overarching Requirements (e.g. legible, in English, signed, dated, linked to the consignment);
2. Document Format Requirements (e.g. as per nationally accepted practice and standards, or on company letterhead); and
3. Prescribed Information Requirements (e.g. treatment certificates must include a description of the goods/packaging treated)

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### **AQIS information requirements to support assessment of non-commodity concerns associated with imported cargo**

All documentation presented to AQIS to assist in determining the level of quarantine risk posed by transportation pathways and packaging must meet the requirements of the [Non-Commodity Information Requirements Policy](#). These requirements address:

1. Container cleanliness;
2. Packaging concerns (e.g. presence of timber or prohibited packaging material); and
3. Destination concerns (e.g. destined for a rural unpack location).

Treatment T9901

Treatment is required when goods are found to be infested or contaminated with live quarantine pests or there are other biosecurity concerns present. An appropriate treatment (or treatment options) will be determined by AQIS.

### **Other useful Links**

Wood packaging

<http://www.daff.gov.au/aqis/export/wood-packaging>

ICON is AQIS's import conditions database.

Please refer to the [AQIS Food](#) web page for further information.

<http://www.daff.gov.au/aqis/import/icon-icd>