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## **Requirements for the Importation of Feathers and Feather Products into Saint Lucia**

The International Veterinary Health Certificate should attest the following:

- 1. These commodities originated from poultry which were processed in an AI free country, zone or compartment.
- 2. The poultry (or other bird species) from which the product originated has been kept in an ND and AI free country, zone or compartment since they were hatched or for at least the past 21 days;
- 3. The poultry (or other bird species) from which the product originated has been slaughtered in a processing facility approved by the veterinary or relevant authority in an ND and AI free country, zone or compartment and have been subjected to ante-mortem and post-mortem inspections and have been found free of any sign suggestive of ND and AI.
- 4. The necessary precautions were taken to avoid contact of the commodity with any source of AI virus or NDV.
- 5. These commodities have been subjected to one of the following treatments:
  - i. The commodities must be boiled/steamed at a temperature of 80•C or above for a minimum of 30 minutes.
  - ii. The commodities must be subjected to treatment by fumigation with 10% formalin (formaldehyde) for 8 hours.
  - iii. The commodities have been irradiated with a minimum dose of 5 Mrad (50kGy) in a closed and sealed package.
  - iv. In an airtight container, the commodities have been sprayed with a 10% formalin (formaldehyde) solution. The container was left sealed for 8 hours.

## \*\*Note:

AI: Avian Influenza ND : New Castle Disease NDV: New Castle Disease Virus

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