

**FOOD IMPORT UNIT (FIU)**  
**MINISTRY OF HEALTH & WELLNESS**  
**Guidelines issued under Food Regulation 2(A) of the Food Regulations**  
**1999 (as amended)**

**Documents required to be uploaded in the Trade Net for health clearance of food consignments imported in Mauritius.**

**1. Compulsory Documents:**

- (a) Bill of Entry (BOE) (*or a Validated Import Reference Number having legal recognizance*);
- (b) Bill of Lading as mentioned in the Bill of Entry (BoE) for sea consignment or Air Way Bill as mentioned in the Bill of Entry (BoE) for air consignment;
- (c) Stuffing list, Packing List; and
- (d) Commercial invoice as mentioned in the Bill of Entry (BoE);

**2. Apart from the above-mentioned compulsory documents, additional documents (if applicable) to be attached, e.g.**

- (a) Pre-market Approval Permit of the Food Product from the Importer;
- (b) Health Certificate issued by the competent authority of the exporting country certifying the fitness for human consumption of the food consignment;
- (c) Certificate of Analysis/Test Certificate with results on parameters tested;
- (d) Receipt of payment for fumigation of food in containers or holds of ships;
- (e) Import Permit issued by Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food Security in case of primary agriculture produce/ horticultural produce;
- (f) Import Permit & Veterinary Entry Document (VED) issued by Division of Veterinary Services, Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food Security, in case of animal products;
- (g) Import Permit issued by Ministry of Blue Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping in case of seafoods and seafoods products
- (h) Health Declaration by master/skipper with respect to fish/seafood consignments lying on board fishing vessels
- (i) Phyto-Sanitary Certificate issued by the Plant Quarantine Department of Exporting Country in case of primary agriculture/ horticulture produce with fumigation endorsement;
- (j) Pumping Guarantee Certificate in case of edible oil imported in bulk;
- (k) Radio Activity Certificate, if irradiation is used;
- (l) Free Sale Certificate;
- (m) A letter from the importer certifying to the Supervising Officer of the Ministry of Health & Wellness that the imported food (as per the First Schedule of the Consumer Protection (Price and Supplies Control) Act GN 93 of 2020) has a valid shelf life of at least 50 per cent at the time of shipment.

A fumigation fee is charged in the import of certain perishable foods (e.g. pulses, grains, cereals, peanuts, Bombay ducks, spices, coffee beans) imported from Asia, Latin America and certain African countries.

<b>Item</b>	<b>Services</b>	<b>Charge (Rs)</b>
1	Fumigation of cargo in holds	4000 for each hold
2	Fumigation of cargo in lighters	1000 per lighter
3	Fumigation of cargo in containers	1000 per container
4	Fumigation of cargo on quays	1000 for every unit For the purposes of item 4 “unit” means a cargo of 1000 ft <sup>3</sup> or any fraction thereof
5	Fumigation of cargo on pallets	1000 for every unit for the purposes of item 5 “unit” means 10 pallets or any fraction thereof