

RAW COW AND GOAT'S MILK (HYGIENE, HANDLING AND LABELLING REQUIREMENTS)

SCOPE

Hygiene requirements for food of animal origin

LATVIAN REGULATIONS

Cabinet Regulation No. 73 of February 19, 2019 "Requirements for the circulation of raw milk of cows and goats in small quantities"

PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

In order to be able to sell raw milk, a permit for the sale of raw milk is required, and the raw milk producer has already performed laboratory tests of milk before submitting the application.

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MAIN REQUIREMENTS FOR ECONOMIC OPERATORS

The milk producer obtains milk from cows and goats belonging to it and sells it at the place of production or within a radius of 300 kilometers from the place of production directly to the final consumer or retail - direct delivery in small quantities to the final consumer or retail company directly supplying the final consumer in Latvia.

A small quantity of milk for direct delivery to the final consumer or for retail sale is considered to be a quantity of milk whose weekly sales do not exceed 1000 kilograms of cow's milk and 600 kilograms of goat's milk. The milk producer shall keep records of the volume of milk, documenting information on the volume of milk sold in kilograms per day, the date of sale of the milk and the place of sale.

A milk producer who has received a permit for the sale of milk in the territorial unit of the Food and Veterinary Service is permitted to supply small quantities of milk directly to the final consumer or for retail sale.

The milk sample shall be marked with a label prepared by the milk producer indicating the holding number.

In addition, the rules set out requirements for the collection, processing, storage and transport of milk and hygiene.