

## **GUIDELINES FOR REGISTRATION OF ANIMAL FEED - MANUFACTURE**

*This document aims at facilitating the manufacturers of Animal feed to guide preparation of dossiers to be submitted to the Registrar of Animal feed to consider registration/licensing of Animal feed and regulatory provisions .*

### **Introduction to the Animal Feed Act No 15 of 1986**

**Animal Feed Act No. 15 of 1986** was enacted by the Government of Sri Lanka on 20<sup>th</sup> June 1986, and is an *Act to regulate, supervise, control the manufacture sale and distribution of animal feed and to provide for matters connected there with or incidental thereto.*

Primary objective of this Act is to assure the quality of Animal feeds available in the local market and thereby to protect Livestock and poultry farmers and the genuine Animal feed manufactures.

Under the provisions of the Act (Sec.8) Animal Feed Advisory Committee was promulgated by the Minister in charge and was entrusted the job of framing regulations pertaining to the Act. Due to the complexity and technical nature of the segment it took over 10 years to gazette the regulations. Extra ordinary gazette no 920/11 dated 1996.04.25

Consists of 3 schedules, the general requirements and the lists of permitted additives together with their maximum/minimum levels of inclusions, necessary formats and methods of analysis of various nutrients.

Responsible authority for implementation of the Act lies with the Ministry of Livestock Development and the Dept. of Animal Production & Health bear the implementing authority of the Act. Under section 2 of the Act Registrar Animal Feed was appointed and is the Licensing Authority for Animal feed under the meaning of the Act.

According to the provisions no person shall manufacture any animal feed or animal feed ingredient without a valid license issued by the Registrar/Animal Feed. Every person desirous of obtaining license to manufacture any animal feed for sale shall make an application to the Registrar on that behalf.

According to the interpretation of the Act sec 32 *Animal feed means any simple or compound product intended to supply wholly or partly the nutritional requirements f animal or poultry and which on being fed to them contribute to their maintenance, growth and productive capacity and includes feed additives.*

## **Registration Procedure:**

**As a pre requisite manufacturers desirous of registering manufactured compound feed under the meaning of the Act, should register their company/business in the respective local authority to get the entitlement for registration of their feeds. Even the applicants from foreign countries need to comply with this requirement. Applicant who submits an application should either be in a senior executive level or should have written authority from the Chief Executive officer.**

**Once the pre requisites are completed application forms for registration of animal Feed could be obtained from Registrar of Animal feeds (refer regulations 7 form A- Page 9). Duly completed application form supported by a copy of the business registration with following particulars should be sent to the Registrar / Animal Feeds**

- (1) General information**
  - a. The name and address of the applicant;**
  - b. The proposed trade name under which the animal feed shall be marketed or sold;**
  - c. A copy of the draft print or the label which shall be affixed on any container in which such animal feed shall be sold;**
  - d. A statement of the composition of such animal feed, its net weight, stability in storage and date of expiry of the animal feed; and**
  - e. Such other information as may be required by the Registrar/Animal feed**
- (2) Application form should be accompanied by the registration fees. Rs.1000/per feed drawn in favor of the Director General , Dept. of Animal Production & Health**
- (3) Applicant has to properly authenticate the application and designation of the Signatory should appear below the signature.**

**Separate applications should be made for different feeds. When the nutrient composition of one feed differs from one to another, those are considered as different feeds**

**Upon receiving an application if the regulatory requirements are fulfilled and products coming within the purview of Registrar/Animal feed he/she could decide on the registration or may be rejected.**

**Other products are referred to the Animal Feed Advisory Committee (AFAC) members, the Animal Nutritionists or to other experts in respective fields for evaluation and for expertise comments. Comments and the respective applications are tabled at the AFAC meetings for ratification.**

**In order to easy evaluation of new generation products manufacturers need to submit Following additional Information to be submitted for new products.**

- 1 Name of the product and nutrient composition – Proprietary name and Generic Name**
- 2 Species/Classes of Animals for which the products are intended to be fed**
- 3 Category of product – eg:- Growth promoter, antioxidant etc**
- 4 Instructions for use- together with withdrawal periods if any**
- 5 Name, address and details of the manufacturer including the profile of the company, the manufacturing process and the registration number of the establishment assign by the state Authority**
- 6 Records of evaluation**
- 7 Certificates of analysis is for composition and stability obtained from an accredited /state recognized laboratory**
- 8 product literature including properties, adverse effects , toxicity trials and safety data for animals and to the environment**
- 9 Storage conditions**
- 10 Packaging details**
- 11 Any other relevant information.**

Once the Registrar Animal Feed is satisfied the manufacturers are licensed, thus manufactured products are declared as Approved Animal feeds (AAF) under the meaning of the Act and are assigned a AAF numbers . AAF can be offered for sale with the approved Animal Feed no. and the logo and label details in Sinhala Tamil and English according to the statement d appearing / or affixed to the outer package.

All registrations are valid only for 1 calendar year and Manufacturers are requested to renew their licenses before 31<sup>st</sup> of January the next year.

#### **GUIDELINES TO MANUFACTURERS FOR IMPORTATION OF RAW MATERIALS FOR ANIMAL FEED**

Licensed Manufacturers of Animal feed get automatically entitled to import permitted raw materials to the country, for their own feed mixing operations, but are refrained from selling these products in the local market.

Under no circumstances Feed or pet food samples are allowed to be imported to the country prior to registration.

To get the pre clearance to import raw materials for the purpose of manufacturing the liscenced Animal Feed, manufacturer should submit the request letter with the proforma invoice and veterinary health certificate for specified products.