**TÜV Rheinland to certify food products exported to Qatar**

Appointed as a third-party inspection and certification body for food products exported to Qatar /

**Qatar, February 24, 2023.** TÜV Rheinland has been appointed as an authorized Third-Party Inspection and Certification body by The Ministry of Public Health - Food Safety Department (MoPH-FSD) to carry out the Pre-Shipment Inspection and Verification Process for food products consignments to safeguard the health and well-being of the consumers.

As a leading global trade facilitator with a history of over 150 years and a workforce of over 20,000 experts and over 230 accredited labs worldwide, TÜV Rheinland will verify the conformity and issue Certificates of Conformity (CoC) for food products consignments that meet Qatar’s Technical Regulations and Standards. “We are honored to have been appointed by the Ministry of Public Health - Food Safety Department as an authorized Third-Party Inspection and Certification body to carry out the Pre-Shipment Inspection and Verification process for food products, given Qatar's status as a prominent trade hub. At TÜV Rheinland, we strive to facilitate the food import process into Qatar for exporters and importers, while maintaining compliance with both national and international standards.” said Fares Naouri, Senior Vice President of Government Inspections and International Trade (GIIT) at TÜV Rheinland.

TÜV Rheinland is committed to supporting food producers and exporters in their quest for swift and efficient market entry by minimizing destination inspections and streamlining the customs clearance process at Qatar’s borders and ports through its conformity assessment and Certificate of Conformity issuance services.

All types of food products are regulated under this program except for cosmetics, live animals before slaughter, medical products and drugs and tobacco. Exporters are advised to contact local TÜV Rheinland offices for more information on exempted products under the Qatar Pre-Shipment Verification of Food Products program. For more information about the Qatar Food Scheme [click here](https://www.tuv.com/landingpage/en/government-inspections-international-trade/navigation/pvoc/exporting-to-the-middle-east/qatar-certificate-of-conformity-(coc)-for-food-products/).

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