

Requesting Certificates of Free Sale and Other Certificates for Animal Feeds

Certificates of Free Sale (COFS)

The Kentucky Department of Agriculture issues Certificates of Free Sale (COFS) for Kentucky commercial feed or ingredient manufacturers that require this certificate for export or other purposes. The Division of Regulatory Services (Division) is involved in this process as outlined below.

The initial COFS request for a commercial animal feed should be addressed to the Division of Regulatory Services (Kristen.mary.green@uky.edu and kphillip@uky.edu) and should include:

- The name of the company;
- The full name of the product(s);
- The number of certificates being requested.

The Division will determine that the products are currently registered for the company to be indicated on the certificate. Once this process is complete and the firm is found to be in compliance, an email will be sent to the Kentucky Department of Agriculture indicating that those products are currently registered for free sale in Kentucky. The Department of Agriculture is the actual issuer of the certificate. Please note that the Division will not facilitate the issuance of COFS for commercial feeds or for firms that are not in regulatory compliance with our Division.

If you have any questions about the Division's role in the COFS process, please contact our Registration Specialist Kristen Green at Kristen.mary.green@uky.edu or (859) 257-4496 or Kay Phillips at kphillips@uky.edu or (859) 257-6528 or call our general number at (859) 257-2785.

Other Product/GMP/Facility Certificates

The Division periodically gets requests from Kentucky manufacturers for other types of product or facility certificates like GMP certificates for commercial purposes. These requests are considered on a case by case basis. Please note that the Division will likely require a successful state GMP inspection by one of our Inspectors and possibly other relevant documentation prior to considering special certificate requests. Requesting firms should consider the additional time required to plan and perform these inspections. Contact our Feed Coordinator Alan Harrison at alan.harrison@uky.edu or (859) 257-5887 with any questions.