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Update**

FAS Announces License Fee for the 2018 Tariff-Rate Quota Year

USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) has [announced that a fee of \\$300 will be charged for the 2018 tariff-rate quota \(TRQ\) year](#) for each license issued to a person or firm by the Department of Agriculture authorizing the importation of certain dairy articles, which are subject to tariff-rate quotas set forth in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS) of the United States. This fee is an increase of \$50 over the \$250 fee charged for the [2017 TRQ](#).

Full information regarding 2018 Licenses and the Surrender and Reallocation Period for 2017 Licenses can be found by clicking [here](#).

FAS also [announced the revised appendices](#) under the Dairy Tariff-Rate Import Quota Licensing Regulation for the 2017 quota year reflecting the cumulative annual transfers from Appendix 1 to Appendix 2 for certain dairy product import licenses permanently surrendered by licensees or revoked by the Licensing Authority. The spreadsheet that looks at how the new 2018 quota breakdown differs from the 2017 numbers will be posted on the Analysis Section of the CIAA website in the coming days.

DATES TO REMEMBER

September 15, 2017

Last day of licensees applying for reallocated license amounts for 2017

October 2, 2017

Last day to surrender 2017 license amount

October 16, 2017

Last day of 2018 license applications

October 27, 2017

Member Meeting

9:30 am - 11:30 am

Saddle Brook Marriott, Saddle Brook, NJ

October 31, 2017

Deadline for exporting countries that are designating U.S. importers for calendar year 2018 must submit their designations to FAS

December 21, 2017 (approximately)

FAS issues first notice of calendar year 2018 licenses to licensees

December 31, 2017

Last day for licensees to make entries to fulfill the requirement to use 85% of their calendar year 2017 license amount. Last day for which calendar year 2017 licenses are valid

January 21, 2018

CIAA Fancy Food Show Reception

5:00 pm- 7:30 pm

Thirsty Bear Brewery

San Francisco, CA

March 1, 2018 (approximately)

FAS issues final notice of calendar year 2018 licenses to licensees

March 15, 2018

The license fee for each license issued is due and payable in full no later than March 15 of the year for which the license is issued. Licenses issued after March 15 of any quota year are payable in full no later than 10 days from the date of issuance. Fee payments are payable to the Treasurer of the United States and shall be made solely utilizing the electronic

software designated for the purpose by the Licensing Authority

July 2, 2018

Last day for an exporting country that is not designating importers for calendar year 2018 to notify FAS

August 31, 2018

Last day to enter dairy products into U.S. Customs territory that may be used to qualify and establish eligibility for a calendar year 2019 license.

* If a deadline date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday, the deadline will be the next business day (Section 6.36(a) of the Dairy Tariff-Rate Import Quota Licensing Regulation). This does not apply to dates of entry for eligibility.

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