

REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

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OFFICE OF THE MINISTER

REGULATIONS GOVERNING IMPORT & EXPORT OF PLANTS AND ANIMALS SPECIES AND PRODUCTS (001/2023)

Whereas, Chapter 28 of Title 12 of the New Executive Law of Liberia enacted in May 1972 establishing the Ministry of Agriculture from Department of Agriculture grants the responsibility over the ministry to the Minister

Whereas, Chapter 4 of the Agriculture Laws of 1956 authorizes the Minister of Agriculture, among others, to have responsibilities over the following:

- 1. Prohibit the importation into Liberia of plants or animals which are poisonous, noxious, or which produce deleterious drugs or which may be infested or infected with harmful pests or diseases; except that nothing in this Chapter shall be construed as prohibiting the importation of any of the above for scientific, medical, or educational purposes subject to such rules and regulations as the Minister may prescribe.
- 2. Promulgate regulations for control of the exportation of living plants and animals from Liberia in the interest of preserving dwindling species and conserving the natural resources of the country.
- 3. Promulgate reasonable rules and regulations pertaining to the control of the importation and exportation of living plants and animals of every description and in any form as are necessary in his opinion to protect the agriculture and food supplies of the Republic.

Cognizant of these prevailing laws, the Minister of Agriculture hereby promulgates the following regulations with takes effect as of September 25, 2023:

- 1. All requests for the import and exports of plants and animal species and products are to be addressed directly to the Minister of Agriculture.
- 2. All divisions in the lines of reviewing such permits within the Ministry of Agriculture shall report directly to the Minister of Agriculture on all matters relating to photo-sanitary and all permit issues.
- 3. All import/export permits and phytosanitary certifications for the import and export of plants and animal species and products are to be signed and authorized by the Minister of Agriculture.
- 4. All authorizations other than that of the Minister of Agriculture remains invalid and shall not be honored at any port of entry within and outside of the territorial jurisdiction of the Republic of Liberia.

Any laws to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved by the Minister of Agriculture, R.L.
Honorable Jeanine M. Cooper

ISSUED ON THIS DAY 25TH SEPTEMBER, 2023