

**MINISTRY OF FINANCE  
CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DIVISION**

**NOTICE TO IMPORTERS**

**NO. 9 OF 2019**

**SUBJECT: NOTICE OF BAN OF ALL POULTRY MEAT (RAW and  
COOKED from GUYANA into TRINIDAD and TOBAGO**

The attention of all importers is drawn to the notice from the Chief Veterinary Officer, Animal Health Sub-Division of the Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries advising that with *immediate effect, all and any raw and cooked poultry meat* being *imported* from *Guyana into Trinidad and Tobago* is *prohibited until further notice*. This prohibition is being made in accordance with the Animals (Diseases and Importation) Act, Chap. 67:02.

Section 2 of the said Act, defines "*Poultry*" as "*domestic fowls, turkeys, geese, ducks, guinea fowls and pigeons*".

In light of the above, these items shall be prohibited to be imported according to Section 45(1) (b) of the Customs Act, Chap. 78:01, when imported from Guyana. Upon importation these items shall be *seized* for destruction by the National Animal Disease Centre (contact 693-1682 or 693-1501 during normal working hours).

A copy of the notice is attached for ease of reference.

Importers are to be guided accordingly.



*14/06/2019*  
*M. Mathew*

Comptroller of Customs & Excise (Ag.)

Custom House, Port of Spain

Date: 07/06/2019



**MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, LAND AND FISHERIES**

**National Animal Disease Centre**

Mon Jaboux Farm Road, via Chin Chin Road, Cunupia.  
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To: Whom it may concern  
Customs and Excise Division

Date: May 31st, 2019

**Notice of Ban of All Poultry Meat (Raw and Cooked) from Guyana into Trinidad and Tobago**

As instructed by the Chief Veterinary Officer, Animal Health Sub-Division of the Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries, in accordance with the Animals (Diseases and Importation) Act, Chap. 67:02, please be informed that, with immediate effect, all and any raw and cooked poultry meat from Guyana is banned from entry into Trinidad and Tobago, until further notice.

Upon arrival at ports of entry, such items are therefore to be seized for destruction. Kindly contact the National Animal Disease Centre (693-1682; 693-1501) during normal working hours when seizures are carried out, so that transportation and destruction arrangements can be organised by, or on behalf of, a Veterinary Officer.

I thank you for your continued corporation.

Respectfully,

Senior Veterinary Officer  
National Animal Disease Centre  
Animal Health Sub-Division  
Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries

**SENIOR VETERINARY OFFICER**  
Ministry Of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries  
Animal Health Sub-Division  
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