67	(152.6)	5
68	(154.4)	3
69	(156.2)	2
70	(158.0)	1 .
71	(159.8)	38 sec.
72	161.6)	23 sec.
73	(163.4)	14 sec.
74	(165.2)	9 sec.
75	(167.0)	5 sec.

- 4. Dried meat products.
 - a. May contain up to 70 ppm nitrite in the finished product.
 - b. Water activity must be under 0.87.

Labeling Requirements

- A. Net Weight
 - 1. If not preprinted by the label manufacturer, the net weight (in kilograms) should be stenciled, stamped or handwritten on the carton. Pounds may be shown on the label as well.
 - 2. Product arriving in Japan without net weight labeling on the retail packages must be weighed and labeled in compliance with the Japanese Measurement Law.
- B. Food Additives. Japanese food additives requirements are very complex. Importers can provide samples of new products to the Ministry of Health and Welfare inspectors to verify that all additives are approved by Japan. Exporters are advised to work with their importers to confirm eligibility of additives in the products being exported to Japan.
- C. Packages which contain products that deteriorate within five days must bear a "use by" date, and products whose quality can be maintained longer than five days are required to show a "best before" date. The date information can be applied in the United States prior to export or it can be applied in Japan prior to release from a bonded warehouse. This requirement applies to bulk packed products as well as consumer ready packages.

Documentation Requirements for Poultry Products

- A. Certification requirements for poultry products.
 - 1. Obtain FSIS Form 9060-5.
 - a. In the "remarks" section of FSIS 9060-5, include the word "chilled" or "frozen", as applicable. FSIS Form 9060-5 must bear the following statement under "Remarks":

"There have been no outbreaks of fowl pest (fowl plague) for at least 90 days in the United States. Further, in the area where birds for export meat were produced (such an area being within a minimum radius of 50 kilometers from the production farm), Newcastle disease, fowl cholera and other serious infectious fowl diseases as recognized by the government of the United States, have not occurred for at least 90 days."

- b. If the poultry product transits through a third country, the official USDA seal number applied to the container must be indicated in the "Remarks" section of FSIS Form 9060-5.
- B. Poultry may be restricted from originating or passing through certain states in which low path avian influenza has been reported. Applicants for export certification must determine which certification statement or statements apply to the product to be exported based on the date of slaughter. The statement(s) must be typed in the "Remarks" section of FSIS

Form 9060-5 or supplied on FSIS Letterhead Certificate(s):

1. Slaughtered prior to November 10, 2006 FSIS Letterhead Certificate:

"The live poultry used for the production of the exported poultry meat did not originate from Connecticut, Pennsylvania, or New York and did not pass through Connecticut, Pennsylvania, or New York before being carried into poultry processing plants."

2. Slaughtered on or after November 10, 2006, but prior to March 9, 2007 FSIS Letterhead Certificate:

"The live poultry used for the production of the exported poultry meat did not originate from New York and did not pass through New York before being carried into poultry processing plants."

3. Slaughtered on or after March 9, 2007, but prior to March 29, 2007 FSIS Letterhead Certificate:

"The live poultry used for the production of the exported poultry meat did not originate from New York or West Virginia and did not pass through New York or West Virginia before being carried into poultry processing plants."

4. Slaughtered on or after March 29, 2007, but prior to May 23, 2007 FSIS Letterhead Certificate:

"The live poultry used for the production of the exported poultry meat did not originate from New York, West Virginia, or Minnesota and did not pass through New York, West Virginia, or Minnesota before being carried into poultry processing plants."

5. Slaughtered on or after May 23, 2007, but prior to May 24, 2007 FSIS Letterhead Certificate:

"The live poultry used for the production of the exported poultry meat did not originate from New York, West Virginia, Minnesota, or Nebraska and did not pass through New York, West Virginia, Minnesota, or Nebraska before being carried into poultry processing plants.

6. Slaughtered on or after May 24, 2007, but prior to June 15, 2007 FSIS Letterhead Certificate:

"The live poultry used for the production of the exported poultry meat did not originate from New York, West Virginia, Minnesota, Nebraska, or South Dakota and did not pass through New York, West Virginia, Minnesota, Nebraska, or South Dakota before being carried into poultry processing plants."

7. Slaughtered on or after June 15, 2007, but prior to August 2, 2007 FSIS Letterhead Certificate:

"The live poultry used for the production of the exported poultry meat did not originate from New York, West Virginia, Minnesota, Nebraska, South Dakota, or Virginia and did not pass through New York, West Virginia, Minnesota, Nebraska, South Dakota, or Virginia before being carried into poultry processing plants."

8. Slaughtered on or after August 2, 2007, but prior to September 14, 2007 FSIS Letterhead Certificate:

"The live poultry used for the production of the exported poultry meat did not originate from New York, Minnesota, Nebraska, South Dakota, or Virginia and did not pass through New York, Minnesota, Nebraska, South Dakota, or Virginia before being carried into poultry processing plants."

9. Slaughtered on or after September 14, 2007, but prior to October 12, 2007 FSIS Letterhead Certificate:

"The live poultry used for the production of the exported poultry meat did not originate from New York, Nebraska, South Dakota, or Virginia and did not pass

- through New York, Nebraska, South Dakota, or Virginia before being carried into poultry processing plants."
- 10. Slaughtered on or after October 12, 2007, but prior to October 18, 2007 FSIS Letterhead Certificate:
 - "The live poultry used for the production of the exported poultry meat did not originate from New York, Nebraska, or Virginia and did not pass through New York, Nebraska, or Virginia before being carried into poultry processing plants."
- 11. Slaughtered on or after October 18, 2007, but prior to November 2, 2007 FSIS Letterhead Certificate:
 - "The live poultry used for the production of the exported poultry meat did not originate from New York, Nebraska, South Dakota, or Virginia and did not pass through New York, Nebraska, South Dakota, or Virginia before being carried into poultry processing plants."
- 12. Slaughtered on or after November 2, 2007 and before November 30, 2007 FSIS Letterhead Certificate:
 - "The live poultry used for the production of the exported poultry meat did not originate from New York, Nebraska or South Dakota and did not pass through New York, Nebraska, or South Dakota before being carried into poultry processing plants."
- 13. Slaughtered on or after November 30, 2007 FSIS and before January 15, 2008 Letterhead Certificate:
 - "The live poultry used for the production of the exported poultry meat did not originate from New York or South Dakota and did not pass through New York or South Dakota before being carried into poultry processing plants."
- 14. Slaughtered on or after January 15, 2008 FSIS and before February 22, 2008 Letterhead Certificate:
 - "The live poultry used for the production of the exported poultry meat did not originate from New York, South Dakota, or New Jersey and did not pass through New York, South Dakota, or New Jersey before being carried into poultry processing plants."
- 15. Slaughtered on or after February 22, 2008 and before March 21, 2008 FSIS Letterhead Certificate:
 - "The live poultry used for the production of the exported poultry meat did not originate from South Dakota or New Jersey and did not pass through South Dakota or New Jersey before being carried into poultry processing plants."
- 16. Slaughtered on or after March 21, 2008 and before April 10, 2008 FSIS Letterhead Certificate:
 - "The live poultry used for the production of the exported poultry meat did not originate from New Jersey and did not pass through New Jersey before being carried into poultry processing plants."
- 17. Slaughtered on or after April 10, 2008 and before May 9, 2008 FSIS Letterhead Certificate:
 - "The live poultry used for the production of the exported poultry meat did not originate from New York or New Jersey and did not pass through New York or New Jersey before being carried into poultry processing plants."
- 18. Slaughtered on or after May 9, 2008 Letterhead Certificate:
 - "The live poultry used for the production of the exported poultry meat did not originate from Arkansas, New York, or New Jersey and did not pass through Arkansas, New York, or New Jersey before being carried into poultry processing plants"