

LINKS BETWEEN INSPECTION SYSTEMS AND CONTROL AGENCIES

SPS Inspections at Export Stage for Dry and Dried Produce

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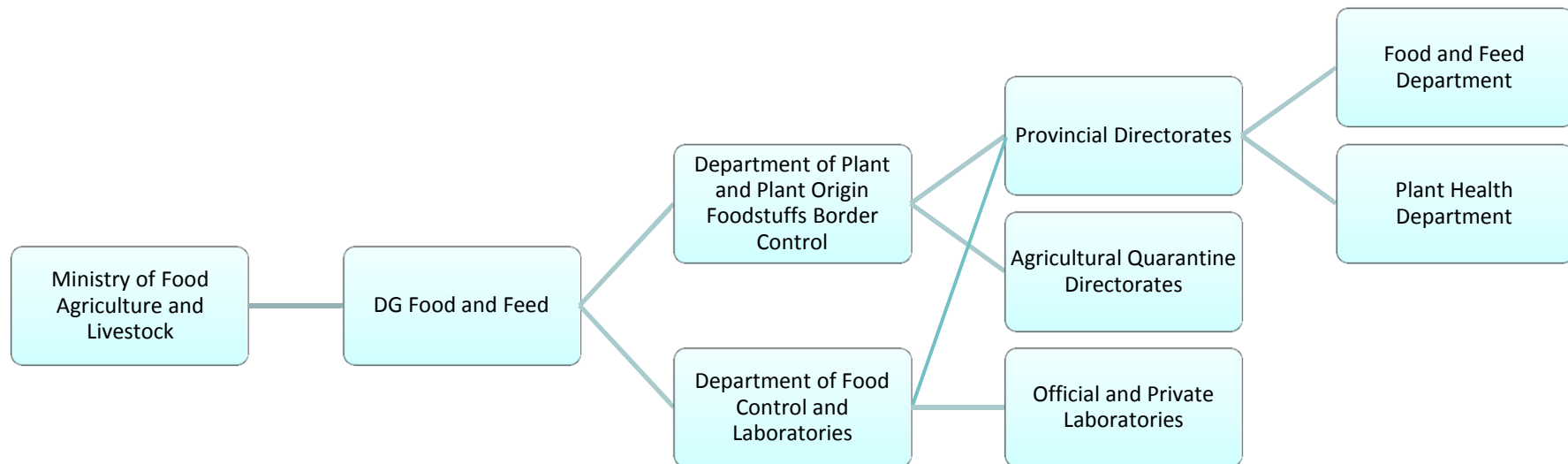
- Izmir is the one of the oldest coastal town of the World.
- Izmir and its hinterland always had a broad trade background.
- Since it is one of the biggest port and logistic center of Turkey most of the exports of Aegean region passes through Izmir.

Turkey's agricultural product exports





Phytosanitary and Sanitary Control Agencies





Agricultural Quarantine Directorates

- Phytosanitary inspections perform by 12 Agricultural Quarantine Directorates at particular provinces and Agricultural Directorates' Plant Health Departments at other provinces.
- Agricultural Quarantine Directorate of Izmir established in 1950. It has 43 technical and 30 assistant personnel.





Agricultural Quarantine Directorates

- The tasks that conducted by the Agricultural Quarantine Directorates are:
 - ✓ Inspections of the exported crops and issue phytosanitary certificates.
 - ✓ Inspections of the imported crops according to Turkey's conditions
 - ✓ Prevent forbidden crops' entry
 - ✓ If necessary quarantine the crops, perform fumigation or disinfection.



Agricultural Quarantine Directorates

- ✓ Authorize and inspection of private fumigators and disinfection firms.
- ✓ Organize inspector, fumigator, and disinfection operator courses.
- ✓ Perform laboratory analysis to detect harmful organisms
- ✓ Entry, re-export or disposal of the crops that returned from export.



Food, Agriculture and Livestock Directorates Food and Feed Departments

- The Food and Feed Departments charged in domestic control of food and feed, import and export of non animal origin food and feed and some composite products.
- In İzmir
- 80 food inspectors
- 42000 inspections
- 3350 samples
- 44000 food establishments
- 14000 import applications
- 3200 samples

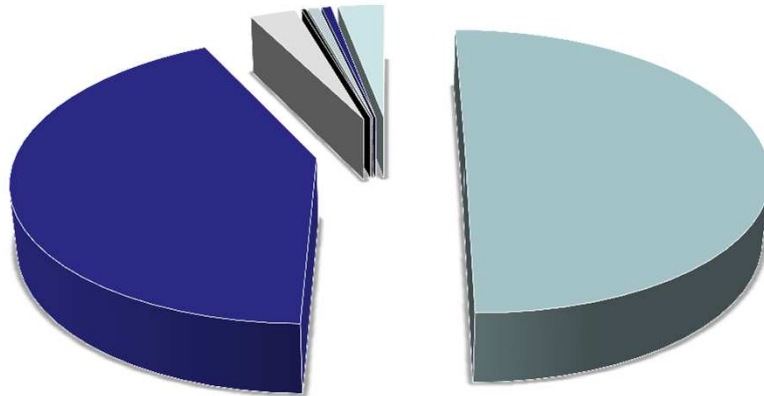




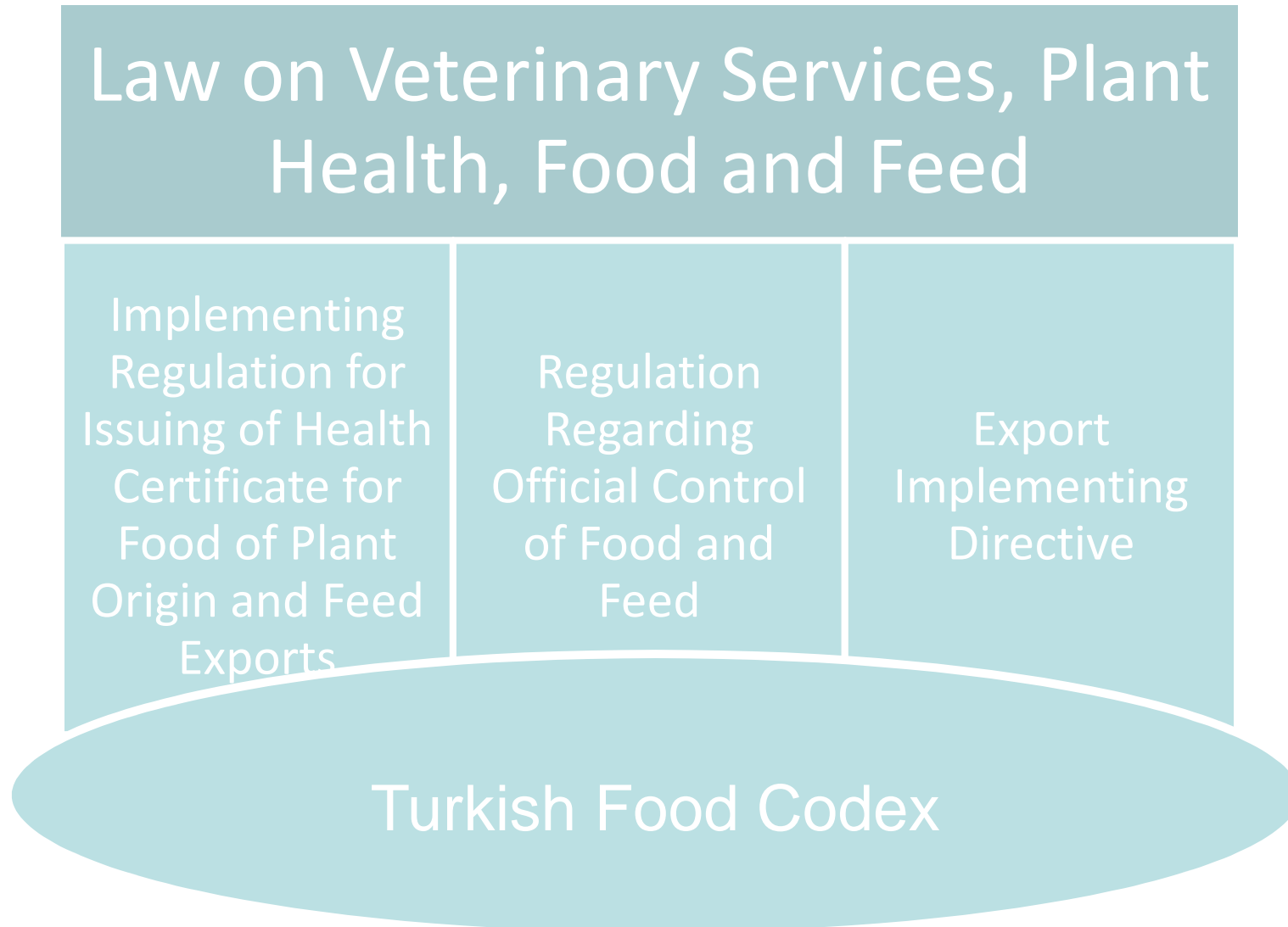
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- As for export, 10000 applications and 4250 samples were taken in 2014. 270 of exported products returned most of them because of the trade dispute between companies.
- We took 43 rapid alert notifications from EU most of them concerning dried fruits and nuts.

Certificates



- Health Certificate for Food of Plant Origin
- Health Certificate for Dried fruits that imported EU
- Safety Certificate for Russian Federation
- Annex III for mushrooms that imported EU
- Annex VII for grape Juice that imported EU
- Free Sale Certificate
- Health Certificate for Feed



- It is necessary to ensure that exported foods are subject to at least the same hygiene rules as food consumed within the country, or to an equivalent rule.
- In Turkey it is necessary to food business operators implement and maintain a permanent procedure based on the Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points principles.

- Official controls are needs to be:
 - ✓ performed regularly, in accordance with the risks and with appropriate frequency.
 - ✓ without giving notice to the food or feed operator except preliminary notice is required for such as inspection.
 - ✓ implemented at export, entry and domestic audits with same diligence.

- The controlling officer;
- ✓ Performs official controls under the Code and makes his/her decisions in accordance with the control result as free from all effects and relation of interest and in a neutral, objective and independent manner,
- ✓ Is authorized to implement administrative sanctions
- ✓ May access to and obtain samples from any place
- ✓ May shot pictures and/or videos during official controls

- In export, requests of the receiving country shall be primarily taken into consideration. If receiving country have no request a certificate may be prepared without product sampling
- In case it is declared by the exporting company that the materials to be exported do not comply with the Turkish legislation and will be accepted by the receiving country, products may be exported except those that pose danger for health.

- Samples shall be taken for the identification of the product compliance with the criteria of the receiving country and exportation shall be performed according to the result of the analysis.
- In the event that the analysis result is not in compliance with the criteria of the receiving country or Turkish food or feed legislation, products shall be confiscated. In case the products to be exported in their shelf-life, to a third country which is compatible with the criteria that were identified as a result of the analysis, export of the product shall be allowed.

- Sampling of the dried fruits and nuts to control of aflatoxin levels is very important matter for Turkey.
- Each consignment of dried figs; hazelnuts, pistachios and their products that exported European Union shall be accompanied by the results of sampling and analysis to ascertain compliance with European Union legislation on maximum levels of aflatoxins according to 884/2014.
- The principles of sampling laid down at the Communiqué of methods of sampling and analysis for the official control of mycotoxins in foodstuffs. It is harmonized with the Commission Regulation (EC) No 401/2006

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