

Rotterdam, 4th of February 2019.

Dear customer,

Because of more strict controls by the government on animal by-products, we want to inform you of the following.

Animal fat of category 1 and animal fat of category 3 are covered by regulation (EC) 1069/2009 'Laying down health rules as regards animal by-products and derived products not intended for human consumption' and regulation (EC) 142/2011 'Implementing regulation (EC) no 1069/2009 of the European parliament and of the council 'Laying down health rules as regards animal by-products and derived products not intended for human consumption'. If used cooking oil (UCO) is imported into the European Union as category 3 material, the above regulations also apply to this UCO. If the source of the UCO is located in the European Union, it varies from member state to member state whether it is treated as category 3 material or not.

Major veterinary crises and health problems for consumers such as BSE, foot-and-mouth disease, avian flu, Q fever, dioxin in eggs, etc. have led to this legislation. The regulations are intended to prevent health problems for humans and animals. The regulations describe how the entire chain must deal with animal by-products and their derived products.

The animal fat of category 1 and of category 3 material that Maastank stores for its customers has already undergone treatment to reduce health risks. Therefore it is called derived product. UCO, however, has not undergone any specific treatment to limit health risks for humans and animals, as a result of which the authorities regard it as untreated animal by-product.

The regulations state that everyone who performs activities with these products needs approval or registration for the activities. This does not have to be a physical activity, traders are also covered by the regulation. The activities for which approval or registration applies are described in articles 23 and 24 of regulation 1069/2009.

Approvals and registrations overviews are kept by the local competent authorities on their websites. For The Netherlands they can be found on the website of the nVWA:

<https://www.nvwa.nl/onderwerpen/erkenningen-registraties-en-vergunningen/overzicht-bedrijven-met-erkenningen-registraties-en-vergunningen>

Below is a link to the websites with approvals and registrations in other (EU) countries:

https://ec.europa.eu/food/safety/animal-by-products/approved-establishments_en

In addition, every link in the chain is required to identify the link in the chain in before of them and after them, in order to ensure traceability of the products. This means that the documentation pertaining to the transports of category 1 and category 3 material must be checked by each link. If the documents are not in order and the next link accepts the delivery, even if this company is not the owner of the product, it is in violation. In order to prevent committing offenses, Maastank is forced to refuse deliveries whose documentation is not in order.

We therefore urge you to check the documents accompanying the deliveries before they are sent to Maastank.

To verify that all parties on commercial documents are registered or approved for the right activities, we would like to receive the link to the website of the competent authority where your approval and/or registration number(s) with concerning activity/activities is/are. In addition, also those of

your transporters, the locations of origin and the destination of your products. We would like to receive them at this e-mail address: acceptance@maastank.nl This also applies if in the future you will make use of new transporters, locations of origin and destinations.

The approvals of Maastank can be found under section I at category 3 material, at section II and section XIII on:

<https://www.nvwa.nl/onderwerpen/erkenningen-registraties-en-vergunningen/overzicht-bedrijven-met-erkenningen-registraties-en-vergunningen/dierlijke-bijproducten-overzicht-bedrijven>

In addition, Maastank has approvals and registrations for feed based on regulation (EC) 183/2005:

<https://www.nvwa.nl/onderwerpen/erkenningen-registraties-en-vergunningen/overzicht-bedrijven-met-erkenningen-registraties-en-vergunningen/diervoeder-overzicht-bedrijven>

Requirements are set for the commercial documents. These can be found in regulation 142/2011, annex VIII, chapter 3. The prescribed model for cross-border transport of the commercial document can also be found here. We occasionally see that an outdated model is used, or that the two pages have been printed on one page. Both are not allowed. On page two of the commercial document you will find further information about filling in of the first page. Furthermore, there is an explanation published on the website of the Dutch competent authority, nVWA, about filling in of the commercial document:

<https://www.nvwa.nl/documenten/dier/dierlijke-bijproducten/transport/publicaties/toelichting-op-het-invullen-van-het-nieuwe-handelsdocument-dierlijke-bijproducten>

Finally, keep in mind that the transport vehicles must be recognizable in accordance with regulation 142/2011, annex VIII, chapter 2.

The latest consolidated version of regulation (EC) 1069/2009 is currently from 01-01-2014 and that of regulation (EC) 142/2011 is from 02-08-2017. Both can be found on the EUR-Lex website.

We expect to have you sufficiently informed about the stricter checks that Maastank will carry out in order to comply with the legislation. If everyone adheres to the rules, then it will ensure a pleasant cooperation.

We would like to receive the internet links (acceptance@maastank.nl) at which the approval and registration numbers can be found of the links in the chain, which fall under your responsibility. We would also like to receive one SPOC (single point of contact), which Maastank can contact if a delivery is not 100% approved after our inspection.

Sincerely,

The management of Maastank B.V.