



REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK

PRESS STATEMENT

STEPS FOR ACQUIRING EXPORT PERMITS FOR MAIZE AND MEALIE MEAL

The Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock has noted with concern that most companies, individuals and organizations interested in exporting maize and mealie meal do not seem to know the right procedure of acquiring export permits for maize and mealie meal.

The Ministry would therefore like to inform all institutions, individuals and the general public that to acquire export permits for maize and mealie meal the prospective applicant needs to follow the following steps:

1. Collect application form from the Department of Agribusiness and Marketing (HQ).
2. Obtain a phytosanitary certificate from Zambia Agriculture Research Institute (ZARI) at Mt Makulu Research Station in Chilanga.
3. Pay a non refundable statutory fee of K35,000 per maximum of 30 metric tonnes consignment for exports. This payment should be deposited directly into Invest Trust, Mulungushi Branch, bank and is not handled by any Government officer. The bank issues a special deposit slip which should be produced as proof of payment.
4. Present all the above documents to the Department of Agribusiness and Marketing, for processing of the Export Permit.

Exporters of maize and mealie meal must always ensure that **the export permit** they use **must always be an original and not a photocopy** to avoid unnecessary delays at entry and exit points, as relevant authorities there will not accept photocopies.

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