

“Food Pass” Applicants’ Guide

1. Who can apply?

Single proprietors, cooperatives, associations, companies registered with DTI, CDA, DOLE or SEC and with business permits (mayor’s permits) that involves supply and/or delivery of rice, perishable agricultural commodities such as fresh fruits and vegetables, livestock and poultry, frozen meat and processed food products, feeds, fertilizers and other agricultural inputs and fishery commodities.

In case of delivery of poultry and by-products, they must have the handler’s license and accreditation of transport carriers issued by Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) and accreditation of meat transport vehicle issued by National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS).

2. What commodities are covered?

The commodities covered are:

Classification	Commodities/Products
Perishable agricultural commodities	Rice, corn, fresh fruits and vegetables, root crops, onions, garlic, fresh eggs, fresh milk, fresh young coconut (buko)
Live animals	Livestock and poultry
Fishery products	Fresh fish, dried fish and other marine products, processed fishery products
Processed food products	Pork, beef and poultry meat products, Cooking oil, sugar, fresh dairy products (milk and milk products), salted eggs, bread, flour, mineral water, food additives, noodles, other food products
Agricultural inputs	Fertilizer (organic and chemical), Pesticides, Herbicides, Feeds (Poultry, swine, cattle, goat, duck, horse, etc) Veterinary products for poultry, swine and cattle, and other animals, feed additives and other inputs Sacks (for agricultural products/inputs) and handling materials for transport of agricultural produces/products (trays, boxes, crates, etc)

3. What is the Food Pass?

A “Food Pass” is a privilege given to suppliers and truckers that go to and from and/or pass through Metro-Manila and other regions during the effectivity of the community quarantine period to ensure unhampered flow of food supply in the affected areas. The “Food Pass” has a validity period within the effectivity period of the community quarantine.

4. What is the “Certificate of Foodlane Accreditation”?

A “Certificate of Foodlane Accreditation” is a certificate awarded by the DA to suppliers and truckers for the “foodlane” privilege. The privilege allows the preferential incentives such as but not limited to (a) truck ban exemption, subject to the rules and regulations of MMDA on exemptions; (b) ease of passage at checkpoints; (c) passage in designated “foodlanes” in major thoroughfares in Metro-Manila and in the regions; and (d) immediate assistance during products delivery. The “foodlane accreditation” however does not exempt the holder from existing traffic rules and regulations and the regular inspection conducted in the PNP checkpoints. The foodlane project is a tie-up project among DA, DILG, MMDA and the PNP implemented since 2017.

Under the community quarantine period, the “food pass” is given to qualified applicants of the Foodlane accreditation upon presentation of basic requirements (see list of requirements). Should the applicant wish to continue the foodlane accreditation, such process shall be resumed by DA once the community quarantine has been lifted. Issuance of certificates shall be done after the quarantine period.

5. How can one apply?

We encourage applicants to **apply on-line** to minimize people to people contact in view of the community quarantine. The applicant can apply through: **<http://agribusiness.da.gov.ph>**. If the applicant wishes to apply “in person”, the applicant can go to any of the following offices; (a) AMAS in case of business permits issued in National Capital Region (NCR), or to RFO-AMADs in case of business permits outside of NCR, or (b) any of the following agencies: PFDA, BAI, SRA, NMIS, BFAR.

The following are the assigned DA offices depending on the commodities delivered or where business permits of the applicants were issued:

DA Unit	Commodities/products delivered by applicant
BAI	Live animals (livestock and poultry), feeds and feed ingredients, veterinary products
BFAR	Fish and fishery products
NMIS	Meat and meat products
AMAS	All other commodities, business permits issued in Metro-Manila
RFO-AMAD	All other commodities, business permits issued in their respective region

6. What are the basic application requirements of the “foodlane pass”?

The application requirements are:

- a. Scanned copy of Official Receipt of Registration
- b. Scanned copy of Certificate of Registration
- c. Scanned copy of Business Permit
- d. Duly accomplished Foodlane Accreditation Application Form
- e. Duly accomplished Foodlane Reference Form

- f. Duly accomplished Statement of Commitment
- g. In case of livestock, poultry and by-products, scanned copy of handler's license and accreditation of transport carriers issued by the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) and accreditation of meat transport vehicle issued by the National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS)

7. What vehicles are allowed with “foodlane pass”?

All types of delivery vehicles such as trucks, delivery vans, pick-ups, jeepneys, AUVs/MPVs are allowed. However, in case of light vehicles (pick-ups, AUVs/MPVs), there shall be maximum of two passengers (1 driver and 1 helper).

8. What applications shall be processed?

Only applications with complete submitted application requirements will be processed. For online applicants, the “Food Pass” can be picked-up at the DA offices or sent through a courier of the applicant's choice but at the applicant's expense, or if not possible, the applicant may print their pdf copy of the “Food Pass” sent thru their email address.