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**Report Name:** Egyptian Decree on Registration Procedures for Companies Providing Certifications for Halal Food

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**Post:** Cairo

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**Report Highlights:**

On December 3, 2023, Egypt's General Organization of Veterinary Services (GOVS) published an official decree (Decision Number 1 2023) in the Egyptian Gazette for registration procedures for companies providing certifications for halal food.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

On December 3, 2023, Egypt's General Organization of Veterinary Services published an official decree (Decision Number 1 2023) in the Egyptian Gazette for registration procedures for companies providing certifications for halal food. The decree outlines the procedures for registering companies, its scope, and the products that it deals with for certification. The decree is outline as such:

- **Article One:** The terminology used during the implementation of the articles
- **Article Two:** The regulations of the decision/decre
- **Article Three:** The procedures for registering companies that issue certificates of compliance with halal
- **Article Four:** The obligations of certifying companies
- **Article Five:** The role of the General Authority for Veterinary Services
- **Article Six:** The financial obligations
- **Article Seven:** The registration period
- **Article Eight:** The authority for changes to attached forms
- **Article Nine:** The settling of a dispute
- **Article Ten:** The date for the publication of the decision to be effective

Forms attached within the decree include:

- **Attachment One:** Request for registration of a certification body issuing international certificates of halal food conformity assessment.
- **Attachment Two:** Application for registration of certification body issuing international certificates of halal food conformity assessment.
- **Attachment Three:** A list of the type and scope of certificates granted by certification bodies issuing international certificates of halal food conformity assessment.
- **Attachment Four:** Egyptian standard specifications for halal and related matters.

The Arabic version of the decree is attached herein, as well as an unofficial English translation of the decree. *Disclaimer:* FAS/Cairo takes no responsibility for the English translation of the decree, nor the interpretation of the decree herein. It is recommended that U.S. exporters obtain their own translation of the decree and work closely with their Egyptian importers for the latest updates.

## RELATED REPORTS

- [EG2023-0019: Egypt Publishes General Requirements for Halal Food](#)
- [EG2023-0007: Egypt Halal Certification Uncertainties Remain for Dairy Products](#)

## Attachments:

[2023.12.07 -- Unofficial Translation of the Egyptian Gazette \(GOVS Decision number 1 2023\).docx](#)

[GOVS Decree on Registration Procedures for Companies Providing Certifications for Halal Arabic Translation.pdf](#)