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**Australian Government**  
**Department of Agriculture,  
Fisheries and Forestry**

Dear Michael

## Lumpy Skin Disease Outbreak in Italy

On 23 June 2025, the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry was notified of an outbreak of Lumpy Skin Disease (LSD) in Italy. The department no longer recognises Italy as free from LSD and has removed this country from the LSD-free country list and the list of countries approved for bovine fluids and tissues.

### **Impacted goods include**

- Dairy, excluding lactose and chocolate, that is sourced, manufactured or exported from Italy
- Laboratory goods containing bovine fluids or tissues that list Italy as a country of origin, manufacture or export
- Laboratory goods that reference the list of countries approved for bovine fluids and tissues
- Bovine reproductive material from Italy
- Petfood, stockfeed and veterinary therapeutics containing or derived from bovine material from Italy.

The department will contact individual import permit holders shortly to advise them on ongoing arrangements for their import permits.

For goods that are currently in transit to Australia, the department will assess these goods on a case-by-case basis, and if the biosecurity risk can be effectively managed, the goods can be released.

If you experience clearance issues, please contact [imports@aff.gov.au](mailto:imports@aff.gov.au) for assistance.

This is disappointing news for importers of dairy and bovine products from Italy, especially following recent outbreaks of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) in Germany, Hungary, and Slovakia. Although Germany has since regained its FMD-free status, these incidents underscore the vulnerability of global food and biological supply chains and reinforce the critical importance of Australia's strong biosecurity framework.

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Kind regards,

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