

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF RECOGNITION

1. The Central Islamic Council of Thailand (CICOT) is the statutory body established under the Islamic Affairs Administration Act B.E. 2540 (1997) and is the competent authority responsible for the administration of Islamic affairs, including Halal certification in Thailand. Accordingly, all imported Halal products intended for distribution in Thailand shall be verified by CICOT.
2. CICOT shall grant recognition to Foreign Halal Certification Bodies (FHCBS) that comply with the applicable CICOT Recognition Criteria and the requirements of Thai Agricultural Standard: Halal Food (TAS 8400-2025).
3. Only FHCBS that demonstrate compliance with the requirements of Thai Agricultural Standard: Halal Food (TAS 8400-2025) shall be eligible to apply for and obtain recognition from CICOT.
4. The recognition granted by CICOT shall remain valid until 17 July 2028, unless it is suspended, withdrawn, revoked, or otherwise terminated in accordance with the applicable CICOT Recognition Criteria.
5. FHCBS recognized by CICOT shall be included in the official list of recognized FHCBS published on the CICOT website.
6. Recognized FHCBS shall submit an application for renewal of recognition no later than 31 July 2027, or by any other deadline specified by CICOT.
7. As a general principle, Halal certificates issued by FHCBS recognized by CICOT shall be accepted for all certification scopes. However, certificates covering meat products, processed meat products, and slaughtering-related scopes shall be subject to additional technical evaluation and shall be considered on a case-by-case basis. Where deemed necessary by CICOT, an on-site assessment at the original slaughterhouse shall be conducted prior to granting or maintaining acceptance.
8. Halal certificates issued by CICOT-recognized FHCBS shall bear the following statement:

“Complying with Thai Agricultural Standard: Halal Food (TAS 8400-2025) and CICOT Regulations.”

The requirement set forth in this Clause shall become mandatory for all Halal certificates issued on or after 17 July 2028.

9. Where CICOT determines that any Foreign Halal Certification Body (FHCB) or other authority has issued, endorsed, or otherwise provided any Halal certificate, Halal-related document, or certification relating to Islamic religious affairs within the Kingdom of Thailand without lawful authority or in violation of the applicable laws or regulations of Thailand, CICOT shall take appropriate legal action in strict accordance with the applicable laws. In addition, CICOT shall immediately refuse to recognize, or shall withdraw its recognition of, all Halal certificates and related documents issued by such FHCB or authority.