



COMMON CODE CIPHER – RIB EYE ROLL		
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**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this advice is to inform AUS-MEAT Accredited Enterprises and Licenced Meat Exporters of changes to Common Code Ciphers for the following products:

- Cube Roll / Rib Eye Roll
- Rib Eye Muscle

**BACKGROUND**

The US Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) recently released a notice advising that imported beef products described as Beef Cube Roll are not considered a recognised common or usual name for any beef cut by the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) within the relevant US Meat cut description publications. Despite this being a term that has been used for over 30 years, FSIS has advised the description must be changed and have provided a **six (6) Month transition period from 21/10/15**.

**IMPLEMENTATION**

FSIS have confirmed the description RIB EYE ROLL is a suitable description which is currently used and accepted internationally. RIB EYE ROLL is already an acceptable alternative description for CUBE ROLL within the AUS-MEAT Language and a recommendation through EMIAC is to allocate RBE as the Cipher when using this description.

As RBE is the current Common Code Cipher for RIB EYE MUSCLE, it has been requested that a new Cipher of RBEM is allocated to this product.

Agreed changes for Beef cut items are summarised in the following table:

HAM	PRODUCT	CIPHER
2240	Rib Eye Roll (5 ribs)	RBE
2240W	Rib Eye Roll Lip On	RBE
2241	Rib Eye Roll (4 ribs)	RBE
2242	Rib Eye Roll (6 ribs)	RBE
2243	Rib Eye Roll (7 ribs)	RBE
2244	Rib Eye Roll (8/9 ribs)	RBE
2245	Rib Eye Muscle (5 ribs)	RBEM
2246	Rib Eye Muscle (4 ribs)	RBEM
2247	Rib Eye Muscle (6 ribs)	RBEM
2248	Rib Eye Muscle (7 ribs)	RBEM
2249	Rib Eye Muscle (8/9 ribs)	RBEM

The same cipher changes to Rib Eye Roll and Rib Eye Muscle will also be made to Light Veal and Heavy Veal cut items.

It should be noted that Common Code Ciphers are generally used for Beef products exported to the US, Canada and Japan. Other Countries may not accept the use of Common Code Ciphers.

Relevant AUS-MEAT publications will be updated early next year and the On Line Cut Code Database will also be updated to show the revised Common Code Ciphers. The new cipher can be used immediately – but packers / exporters should ensure the required changes are made to ensure compliance with the FSIS six (6) month transition period.

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