

**Redfish:**

Korea's imports of Redfish are frozen whole round redfish equal to approximately 20,000 mt per year for domestic consumption. Size should be 300 gm and up, importers prefer two 7 kg blocks (same size) packed in vinyl bags before being packed into 14 kg master carton boxes. The minimum order is about 20 mt and the redfish is sold to Japanese style restaurants and housewives who make fried redfish or soups through department stores or retailers. Prices fluctuate extensively due to the excessive imports of redfish from the Soviet Union.

**Cod:**

Twenty-eight thousand tonnes of dressed cod is imported into Korea per year primarily for use as IQF fillets or blocks for re-export purposes and frozen whole round cod for domestic consumption. Both dressed and whole round cod are imported mainly by large fishery companies with cod imports for domestic consumption limited to approximately 10 percent of total imports. Average size should be 2.5 kg and up. For domestic use, importers prefer that individual IQF blocks be packed in vinyl bags before being packed into 20 or 25 kg master carton boxes. Whole round cod is also consumed by Japanese style restaurants, department stores and retailers who make and sell small blocks to housewives to make cod soups or fried cod. The minimum order is about 20 mt.

**Live Lobsters:**

Korea imports approximately 40 mt of live lobsters exclusively for the tourist hotels. Korea started to import Canadian Atlantic lobster in February 1990 and average size should be 1.75 lb. The minimum order is 100 kg and should be packed with 10 lobsters in styrofoam boxes with jelly ice for air delivery. There are only two live lobster importers who import lobsters into Korea.

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