

Agricultural Marketing Service

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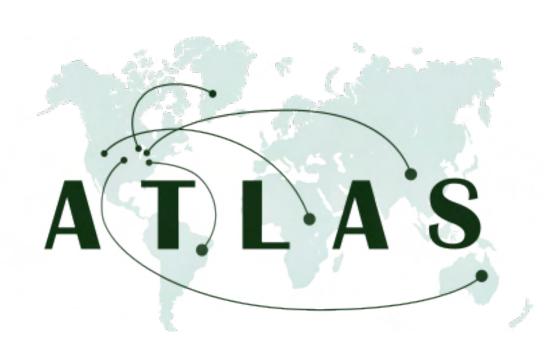
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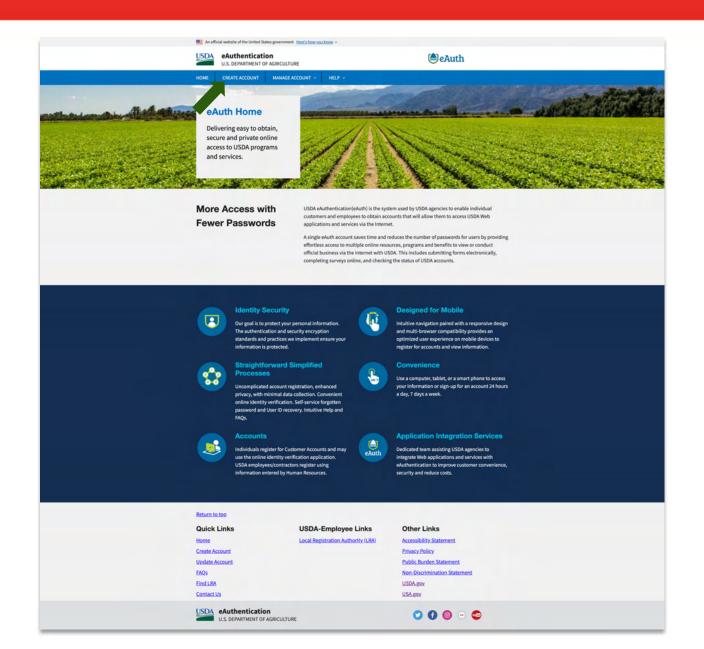
eAuth Setup

In order to use the ATLAS system, you **MUST** have Level 2 eAuth access.

Step 1: Sign up for eAuth by going to the following URL https://www.eauth.usda.gov/

Step 2: Create eAuth Account

Step 3: Once approved, you will be able to use your eAuth credentials to log into ATLAS. For help, please email your USDA admin.

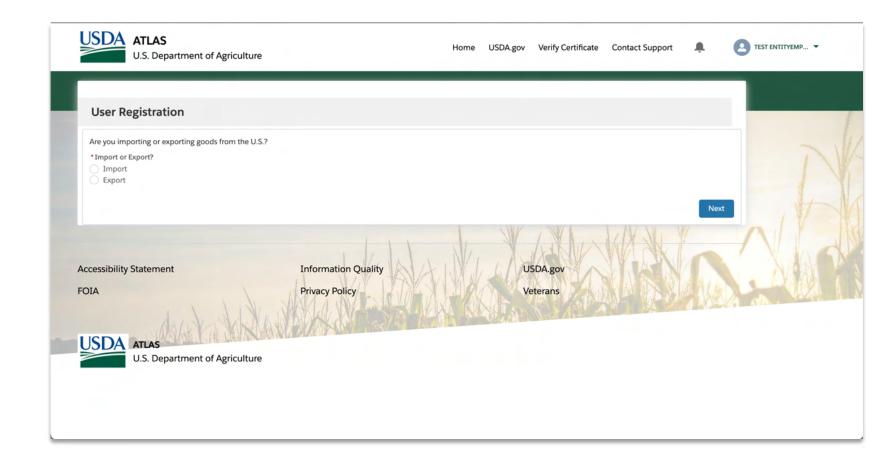




User Registration

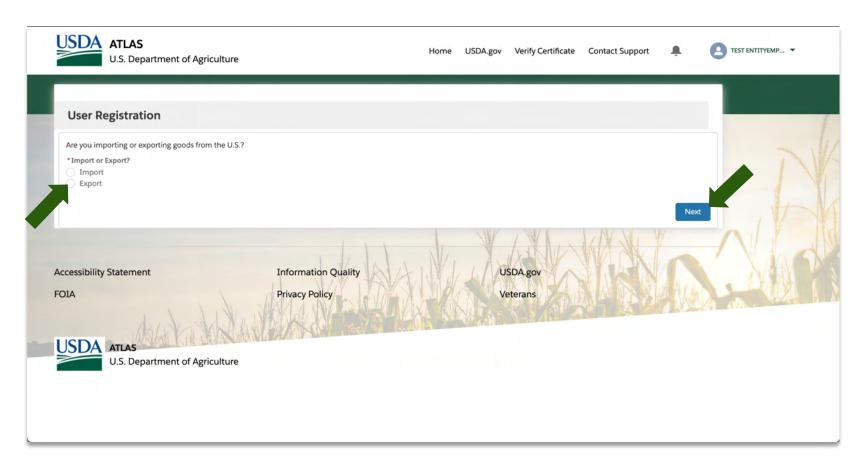
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Note: An admin is the first person who registered for the entity, or someone who was given administrator privileges by another admin.



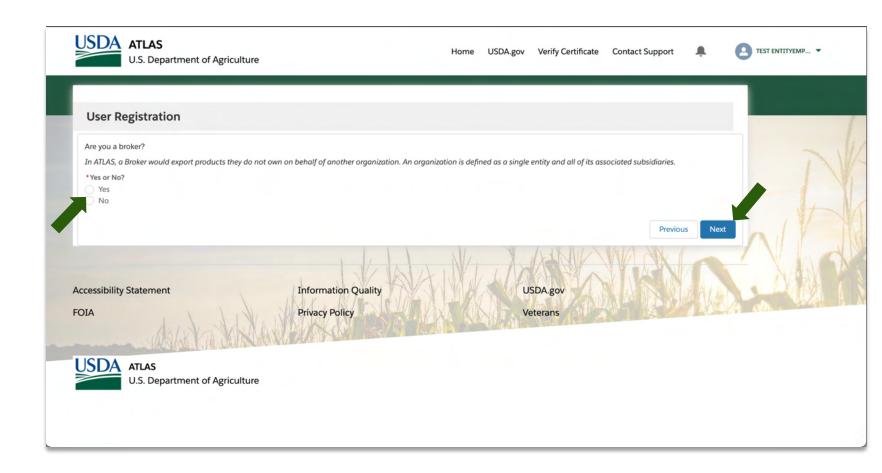
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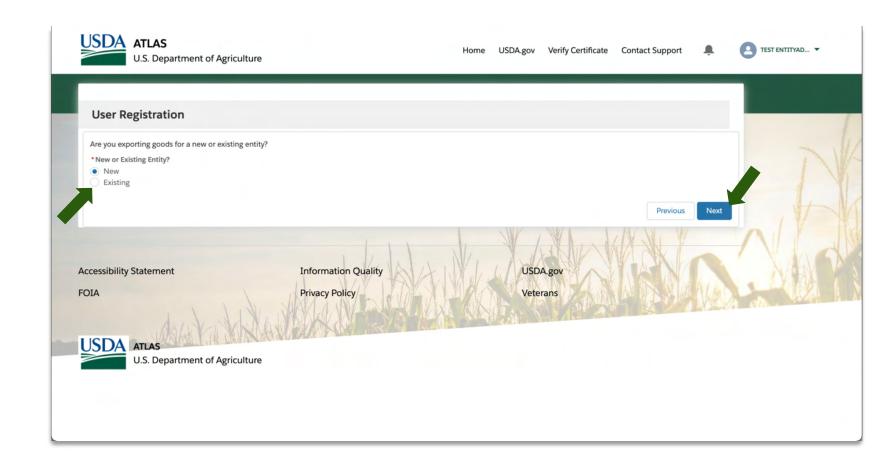
Step 1: Select no.

Step 2: Click next and continue the registration



Step 1: If your entity is **new** to ATLAS, please select new.

Step 2: Click **next** and continue the registration.

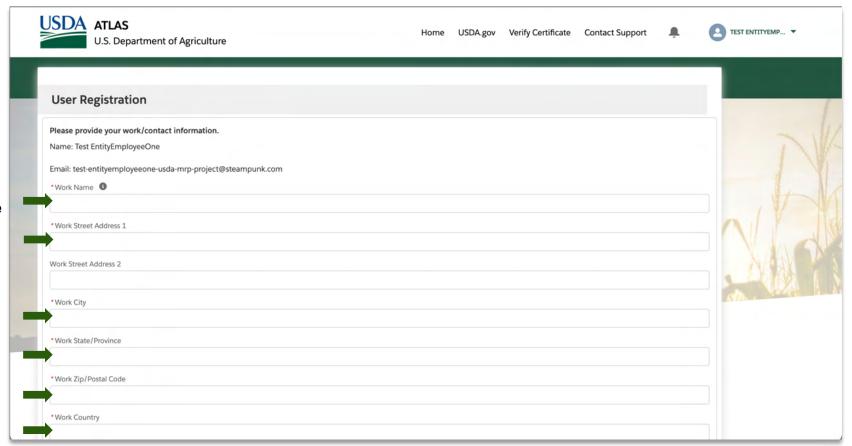


Step 1: Fill in all **required** information specific to your account.

Based on your entity you may need to provide more information.

Step 2: Verify information before moving on.

Step 3: Continue with registration process by moving down the page.



Step 1: Fill in all **required** information specific to your Entity.

Based on your entity you may need to provide more information.

Tip: You can check the box if the information for your Entity is the same as your account.

Step 2: Verify information before moving on.

Step 3: continue with registration process by moving down the page.



Step 1: Specify the **commodity type** you will be exporting in this section.

Step 2: Fill in all **required** information specific to your Entity.

Based on your entity you may need to provide more information.

Tip: You can check the box if the Billing information is the same as your Entity.

Step 3: Verify information before moving on.

Step 4: Continue with registration process by moving down the page.



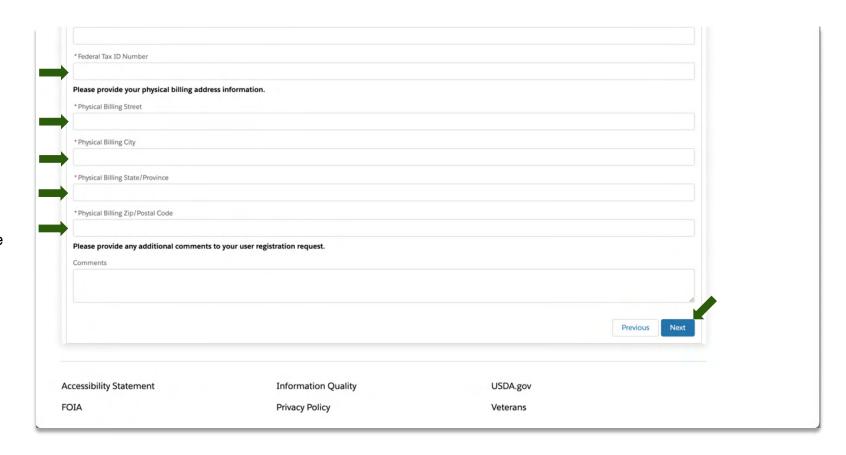
Step 1: Provide your entity's Federal tax ID.

Step 2: Fill in all **required** information specific to your Entity.

Based on your entity you may need to provide more information.

Step 3: Verify information before moving on.

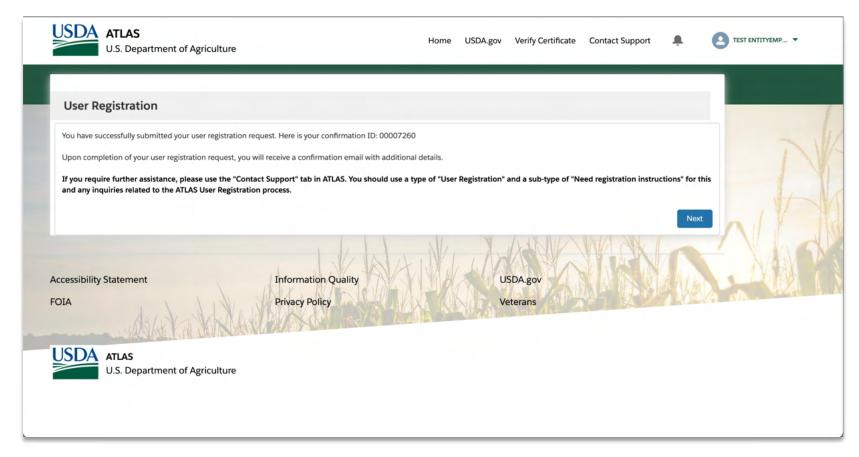
Step 4: Click **next** to submit your registration request.

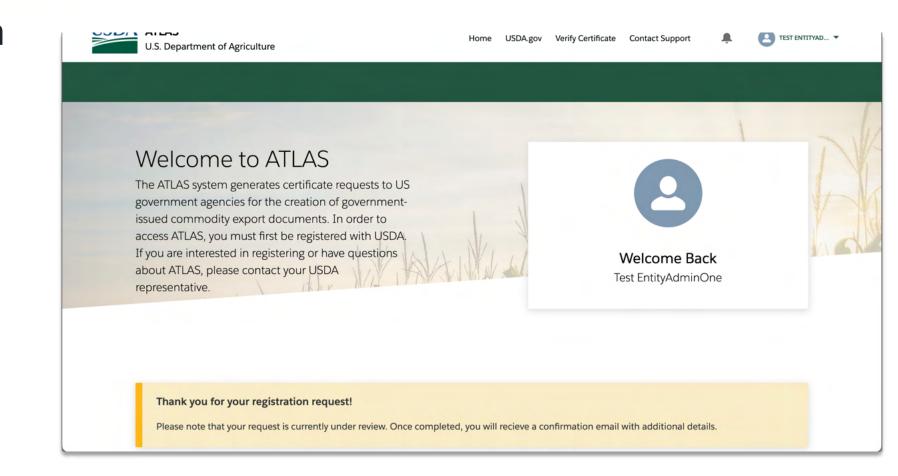


Upon finishing your User registration, a USDA Internal Admin will then review and approve/deny your account.

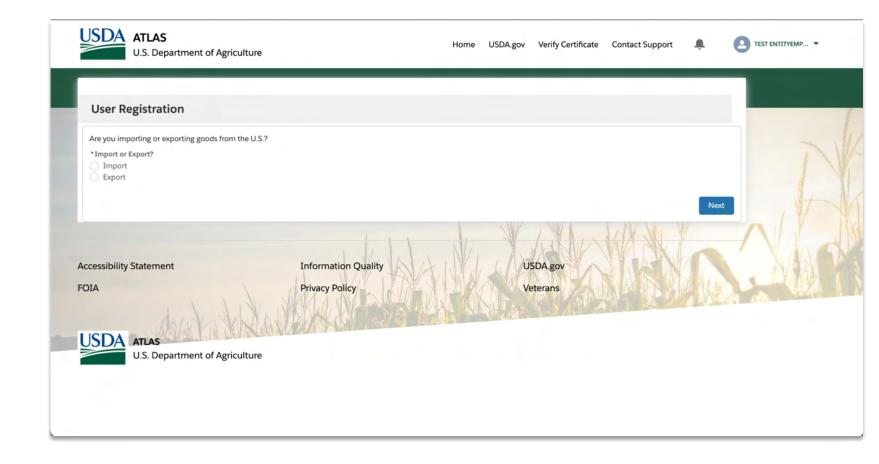
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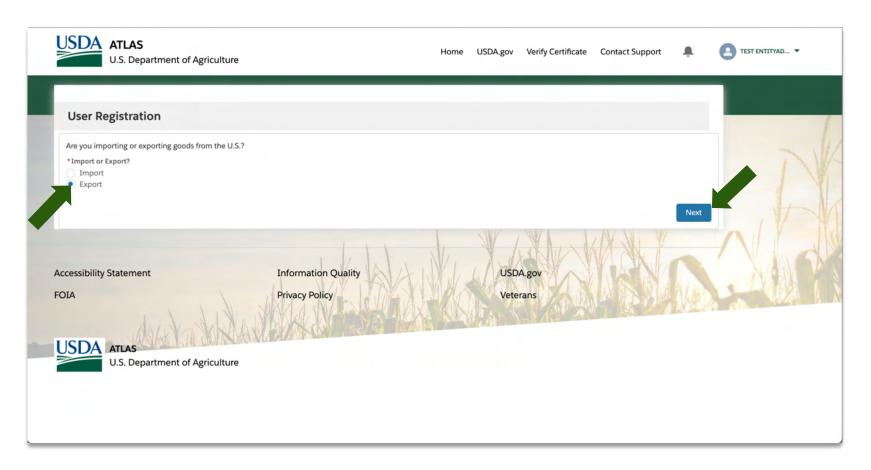


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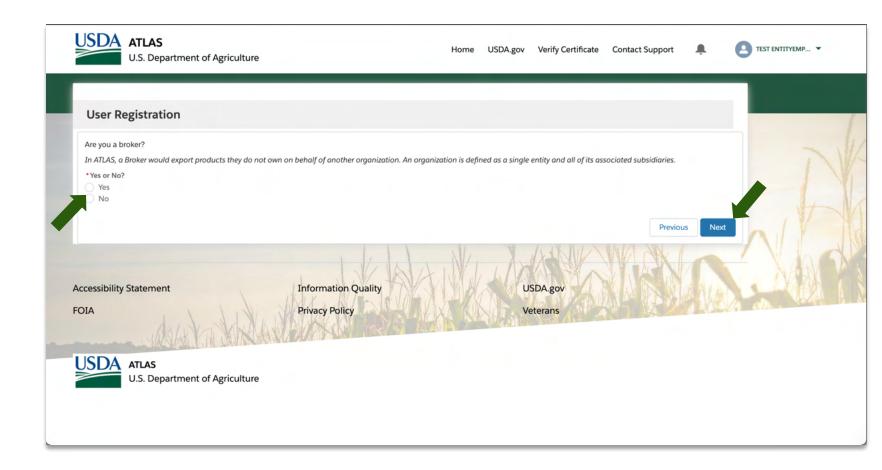
Step 1: Select if you will be importing or exporting

Step 2:Press **next** and continue the registration



Step 1: Select no.

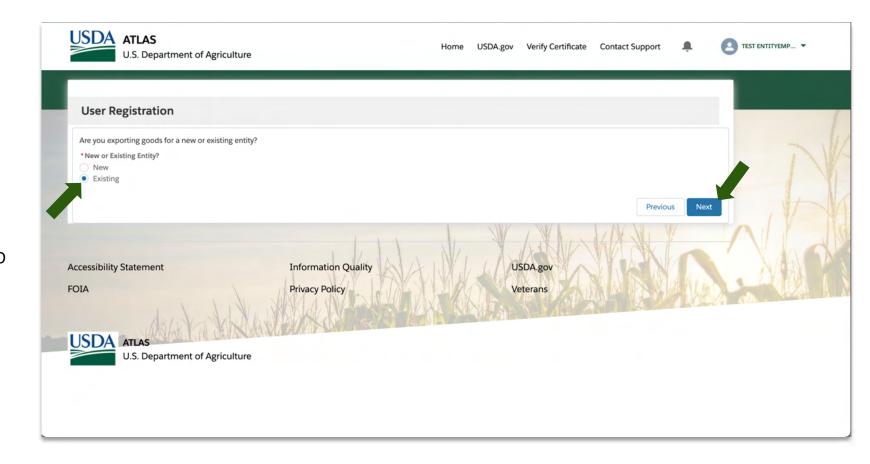
Step 2: Press next and continue the registration



Step 1: Select **existing** if your entity is already established and has an account within ATLAS.

Step 2: If your entity already exists within ATLAS you will be prompted to enter the **ATLAS User registration token** on the following screen. This ID is provided by your administrator.

Step 3: Click **next** and continue the registration

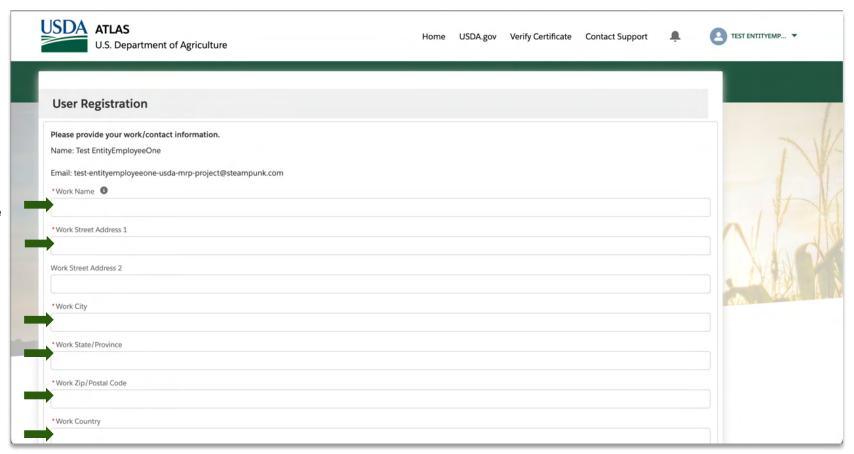


Step 1: Fill in all **required** information specific to your account.

Based on your entity you may need to provide more information.

Step 2: Verify information before moving on.

Step 3: Continue with registration process by moving down the page.



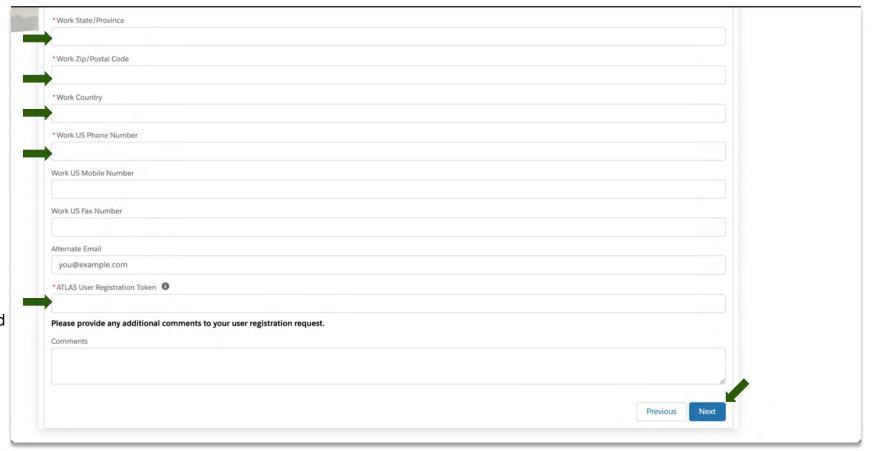
Step 1: Fill in all **required** information specific to your account.

Step 2: Verify information before moving on.

Step 3: Provide your entity's **ATLAS User** registration token.

Note: The **ATLAS User registration token** is accessible by your entity admins and can be found on the admin page within their accounts.

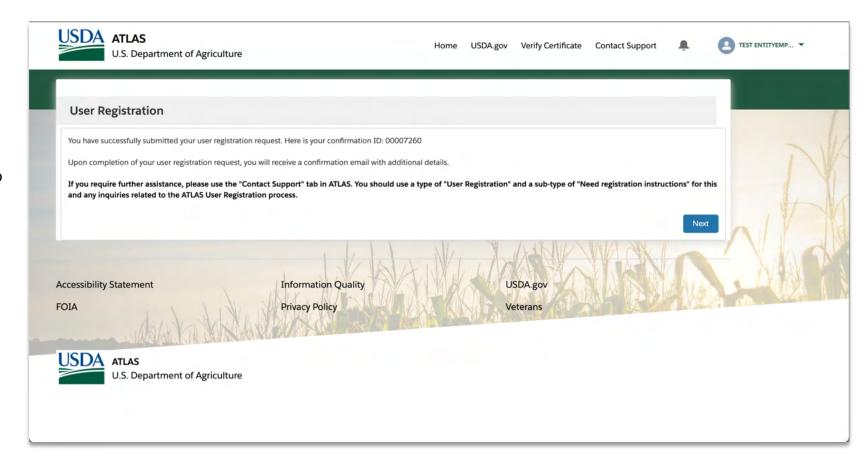
Step 4: Click **next** to submit your registration request.

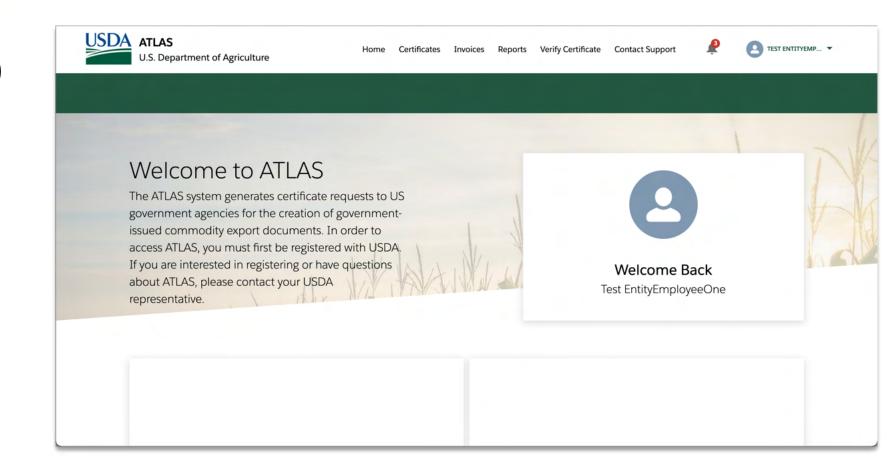


Upon finishing your User registration, your account will be automatically approved.

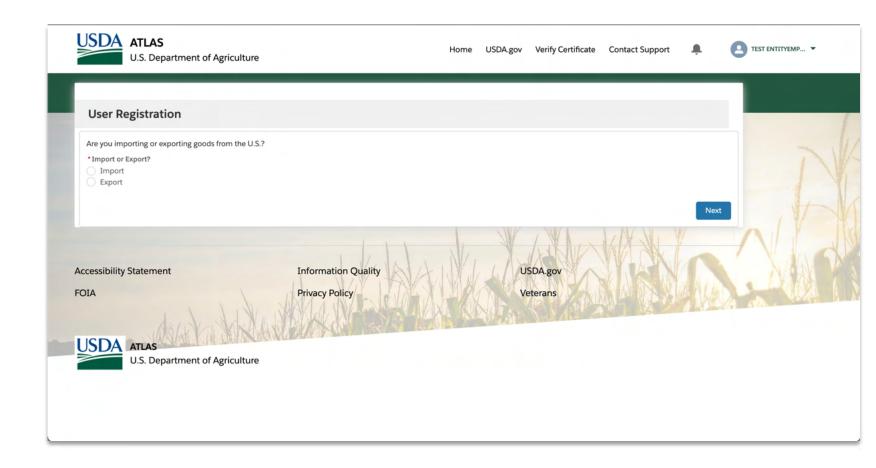
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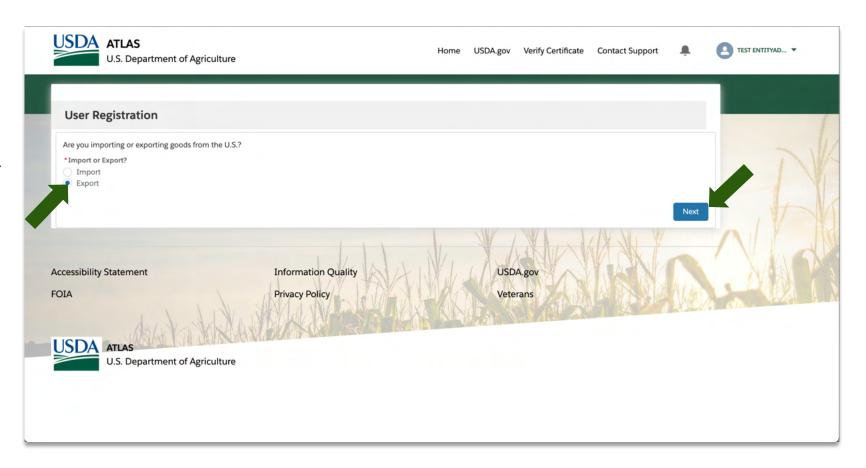


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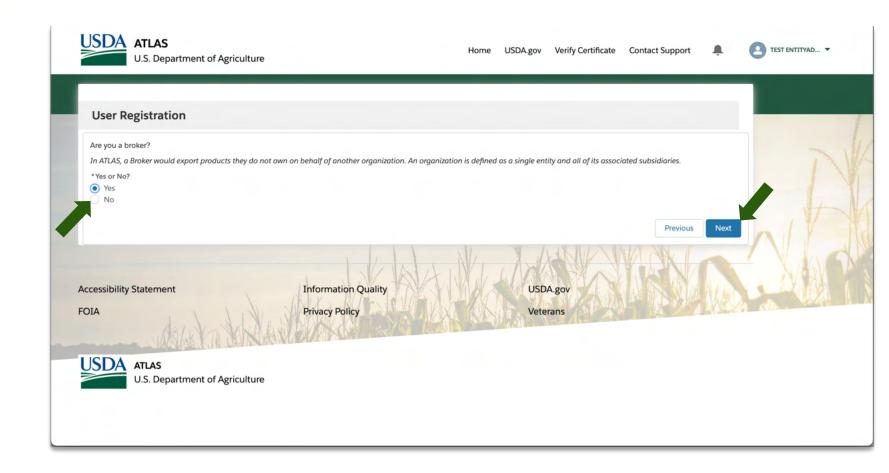
Step 1: Select if you will be importing or exporting.

Step 2: Click **next** and continue the registration.



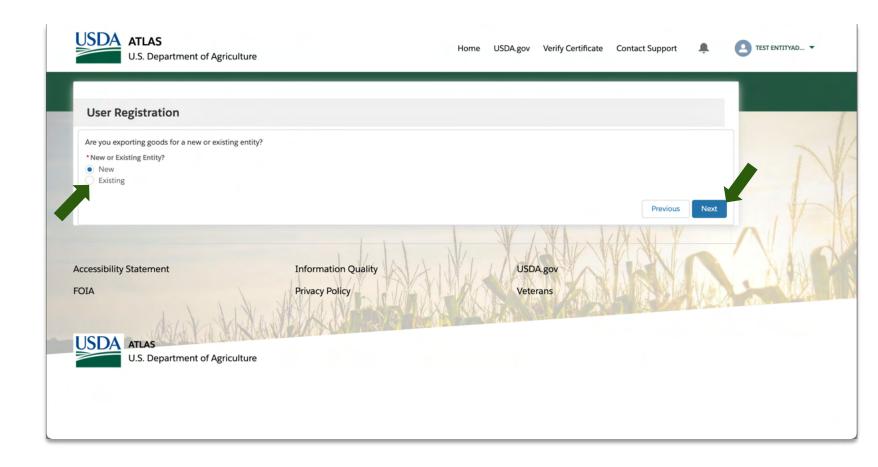
Step 1: Select yes.

Step 2: Click next and continue the registration



Step 1: If your entity is **new** to ATLAS, please select new.

Step 2: Click next and continue the registration

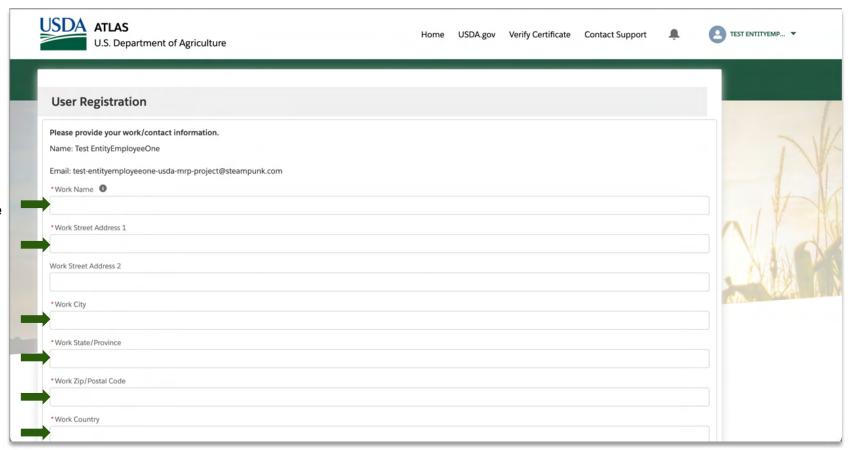


Step 1: Fill in all **required** information specific to your account.

Based on your entity you may need to provide more information.

Step 2: Verify information before moving on.

Step 3: Continue with registration process by moving down the page.



Step 1: Fill in all **required** information specific to your Entity.

Based on your entity you may need to provide more information.

Tip: You can check the box if the information for your Entity is the same as your account.

Step 2: Verify information before moving on.

Step 3: Continue with registration process by moving down the page.



Step 1: Specify the **commodity type** you will be exporting in this section.

Step 2: Fill in all **required** information specific to your Entity.

Based on your entity you may need to provide more information.

Tip: You can check the box if the Billing information is the same as your Entity.

Step 3: Verify information before moving on.

Step 4: Continue with registration process by moving down the page.



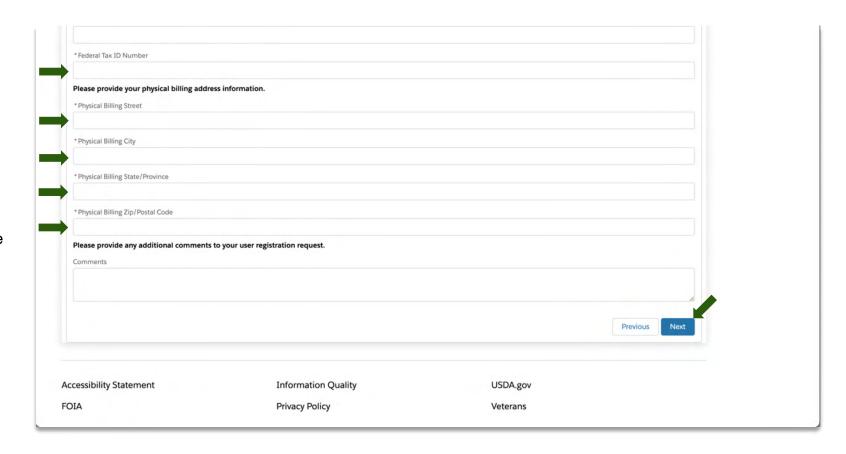
Step 1: Provide your entity's Federal tax ID.

Step 2: Fill in all **required** information specific to your Entity.

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Step 3: Verify information before moving on.

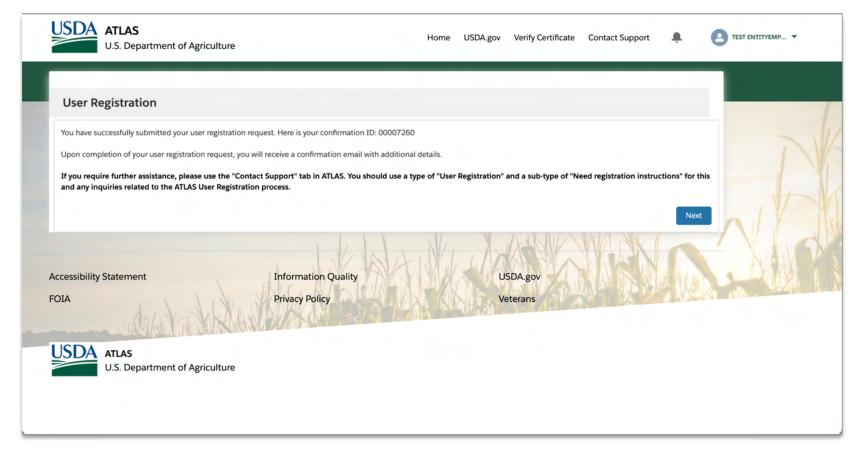
Step 4: Click **next** to submit your registration request.

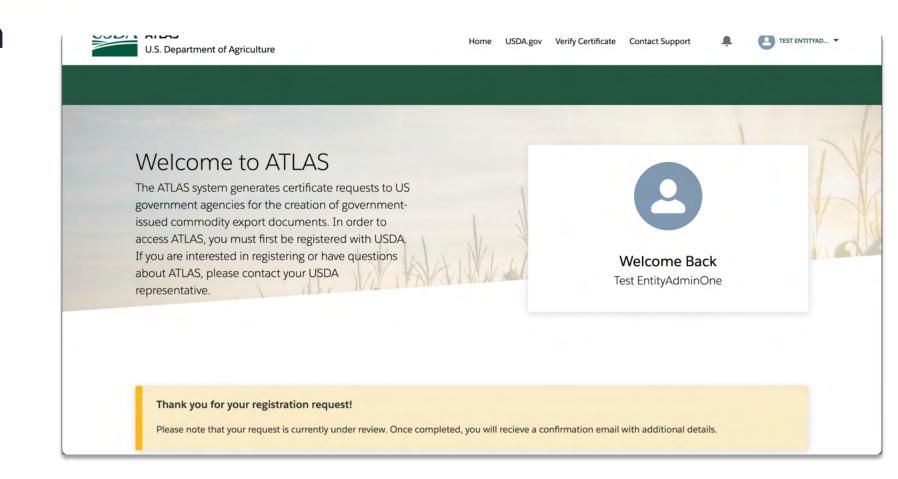


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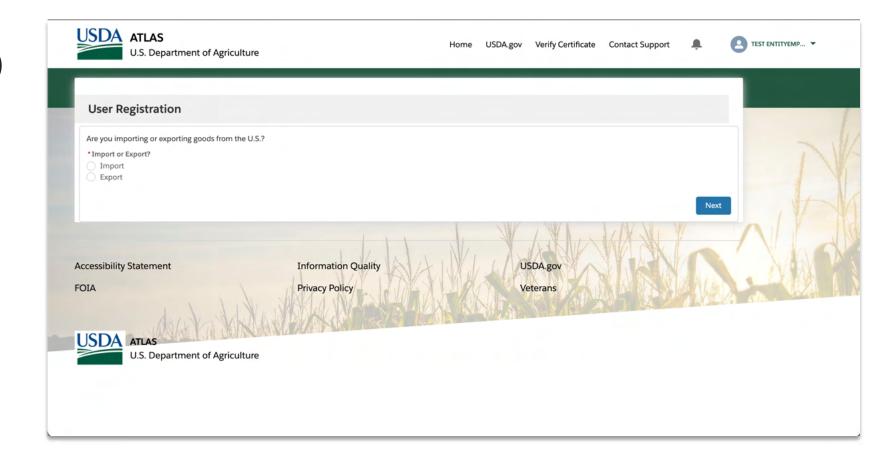
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User Registration (Broker Employee)

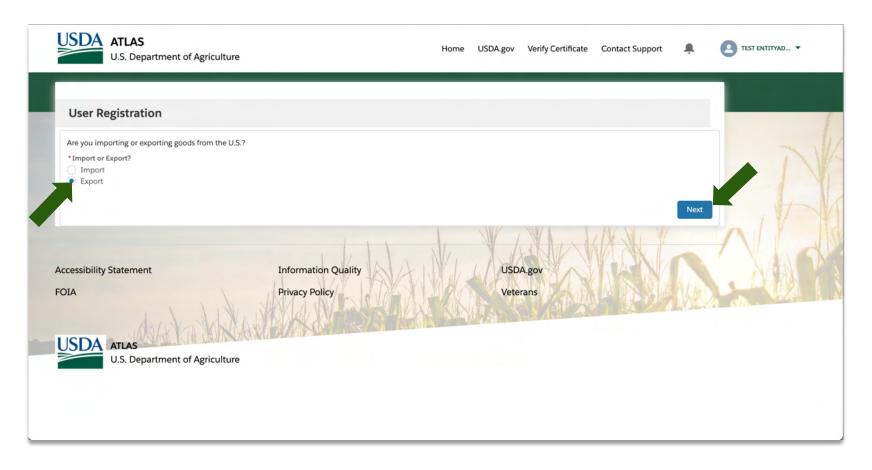
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User Registration (Broker Employee)

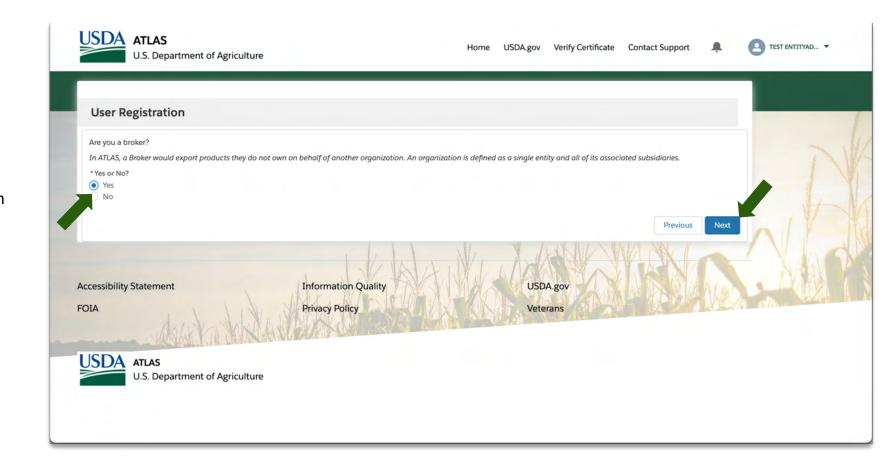
Step 1: Select if you will be importing or exporting

Step 2:Press next and continue the registration



Step 1: Select Yes.

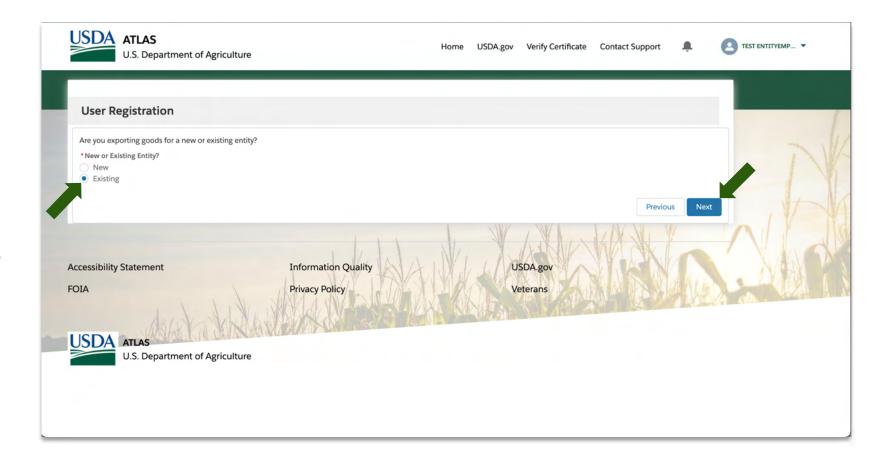
Step 2: Press next and continue the registration



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Step 2: If your entity already exists within ATLAS you will be prompted to enter the **ATLAS User registration token** on the following screen, this ID is provided by your administrator.

Step 3: Click **next** and continue the registration

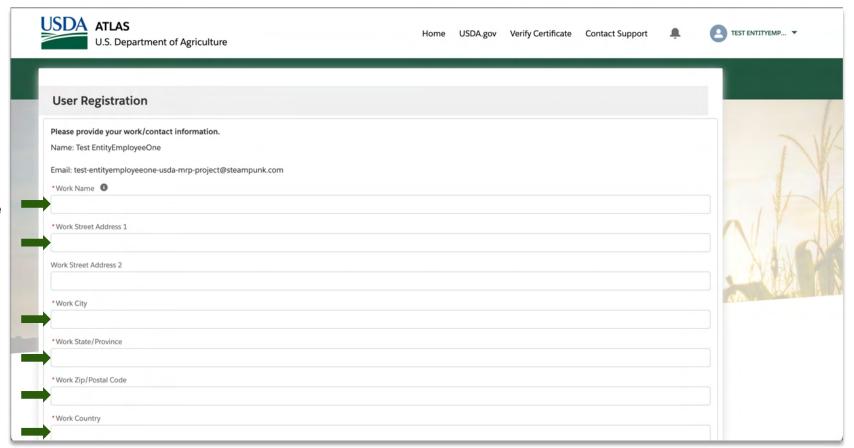


Step 1: Fill in all **required** information specific to your account.

Based on your entity you may need to provide more information.

Step 2: Verify information before moving on.

Step 3: Continue with registration process by moving down the page.



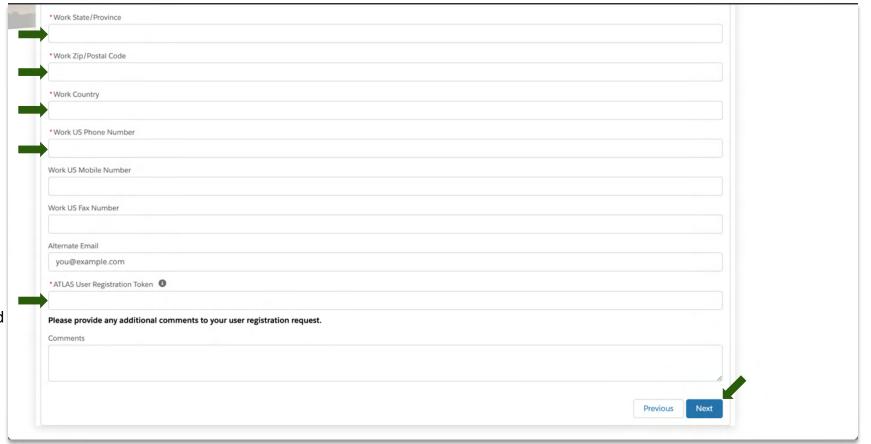
Step 1: Fill in all **required** information specific to your account.

Step 2: Verify information before moving on.

Step 3: Provide your entity's **ATLAS User** registration token

Note: The **ATLAS User registration token** is accessible by your Broker Admin and can be found on the admin page within their accounts.

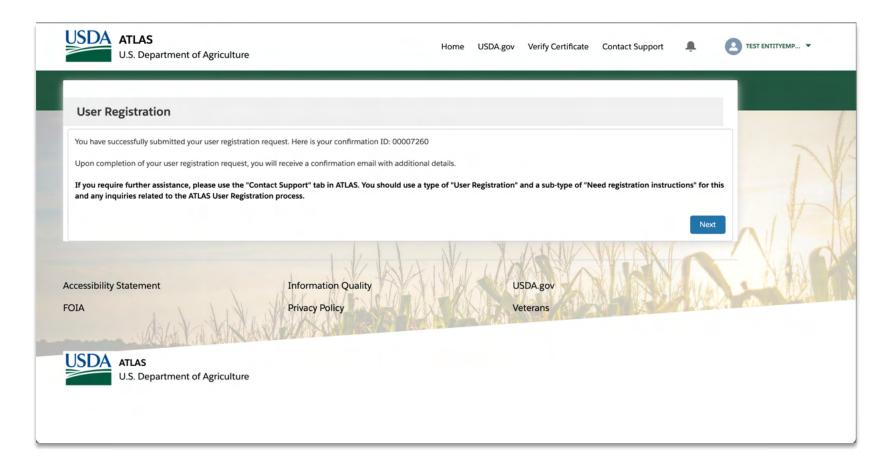
Step 4: Click **next** to submit your registration request.

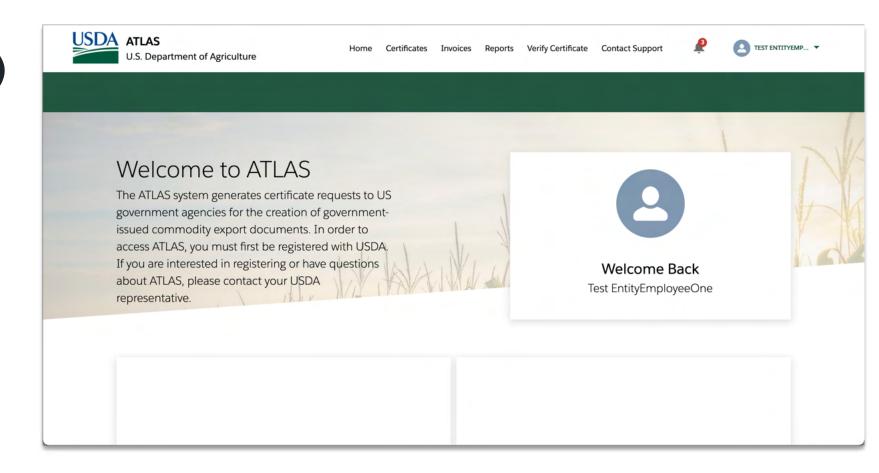


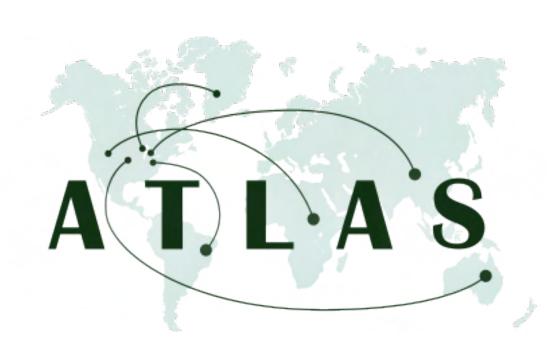
Upon finishing your User registration, your account will be automatically approved.

Step 1: Click **Next**, so that the page refreshes to the home screen.

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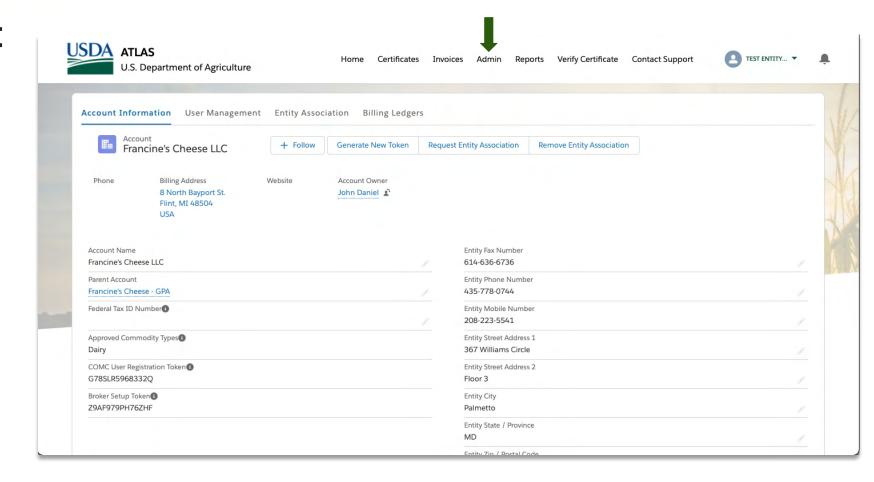




Admin Management/Account

Admin management is only available to admins within entities. Regular employees do not have access to the admin tab.

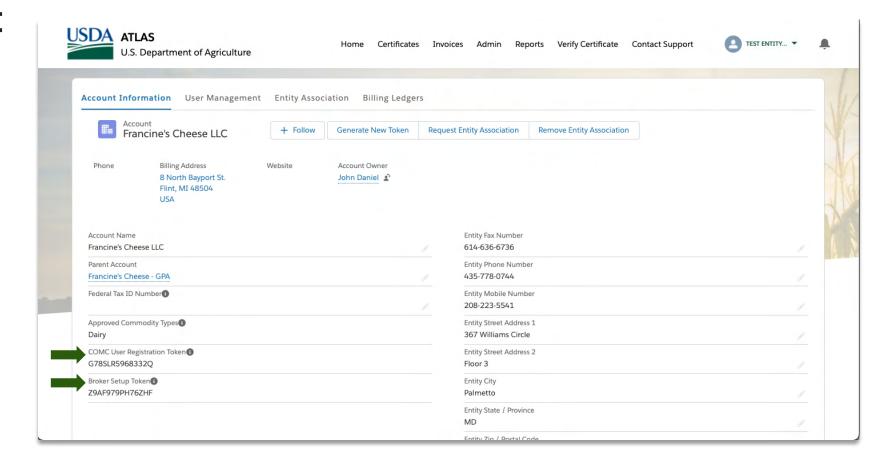
To navigate to the admin page within ATLAS, please select the admin tab at the top of the screen.



You can associate your entity to a Broker entity by providing your entity's **Broker Setup Token**, or vice versa.

Setting up an entity association allows a broker to submit applications on behalf of a producer, with the producer listed as the consignor.

You are also able to provide the **ATLAS User Registration token** to employees going through the User Registration Process.

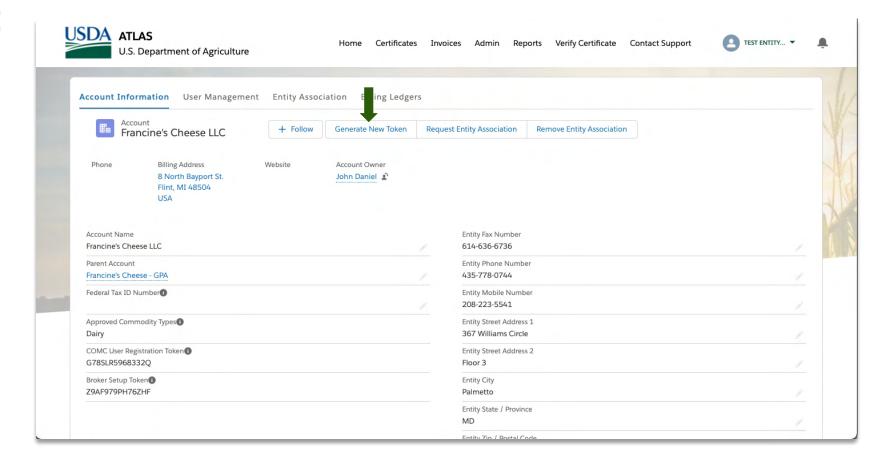


You may generate a new token for both the **Broker Setup** and the **ATLAS User Registration Token**

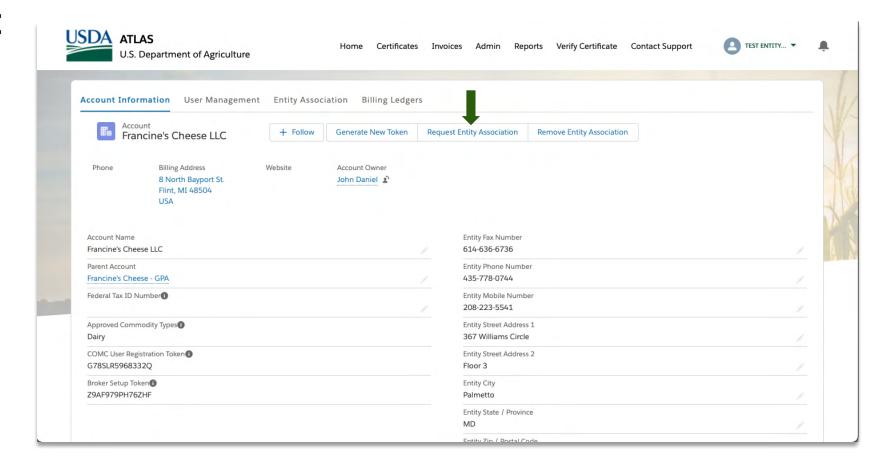
Step 1: Click Generate New Token.

Step 2: Choose which token you would like to change.

Note: When a new token is generated it will update on the page and must be shared by the admins when needed.



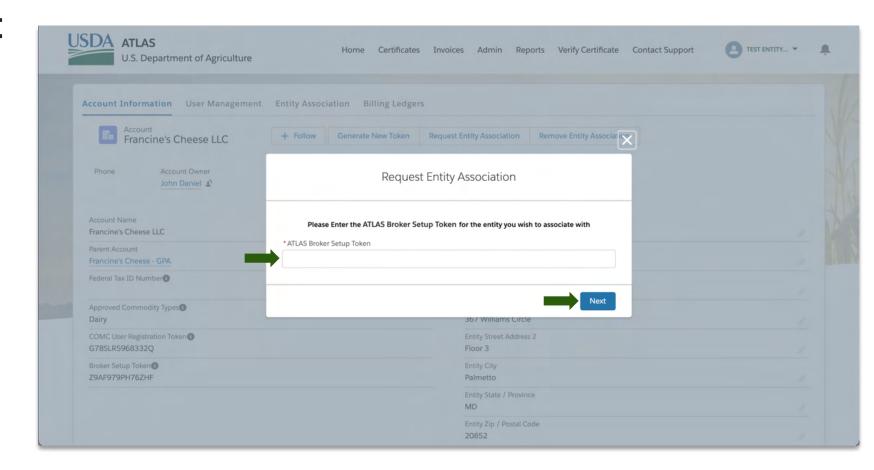
Step 1: To request entity association, click the **Request Entity Association.**



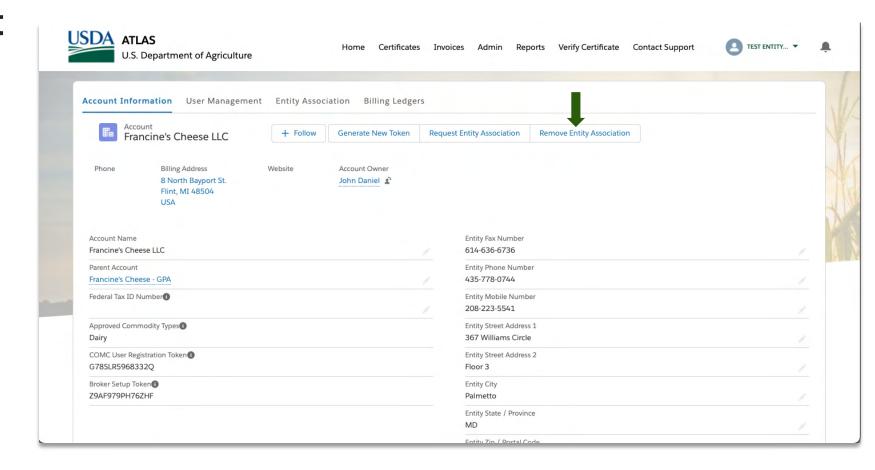
Step 1: If you are requesting association status, enter the **Broker Setup Token** provided by the other entity.

Step 2: Then, press Next

You will be automatically associated.



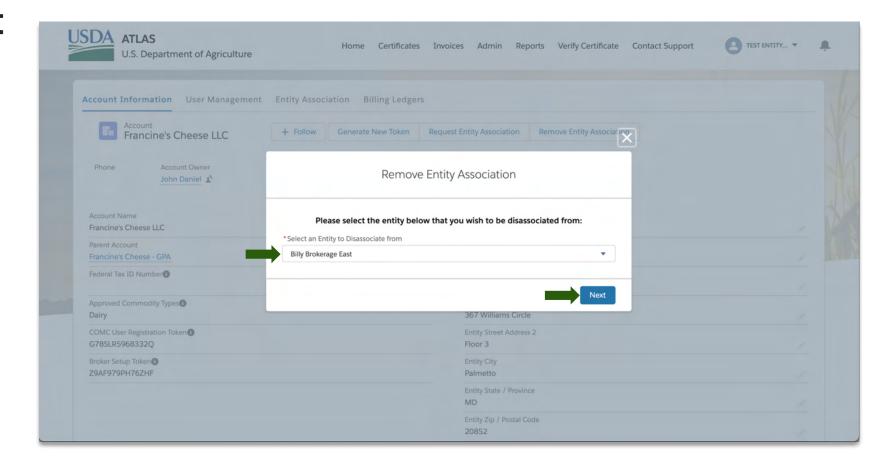
Step 1: To remove an entity association, click the **Remove Entity Association**.



Step 1: Select the entity you wish to disassociate from

Step 2: Then, press Next

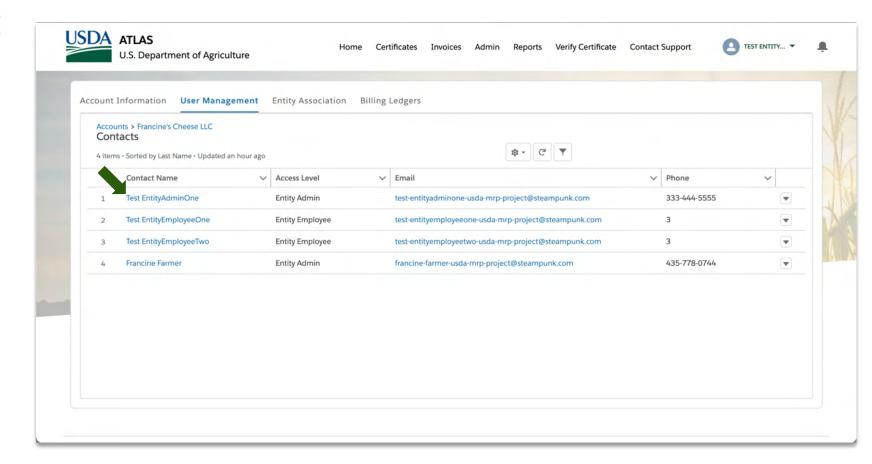
Your removal will be in effect.



Under the User Management section of the Admin tab, you can see all the users associated with your entity.

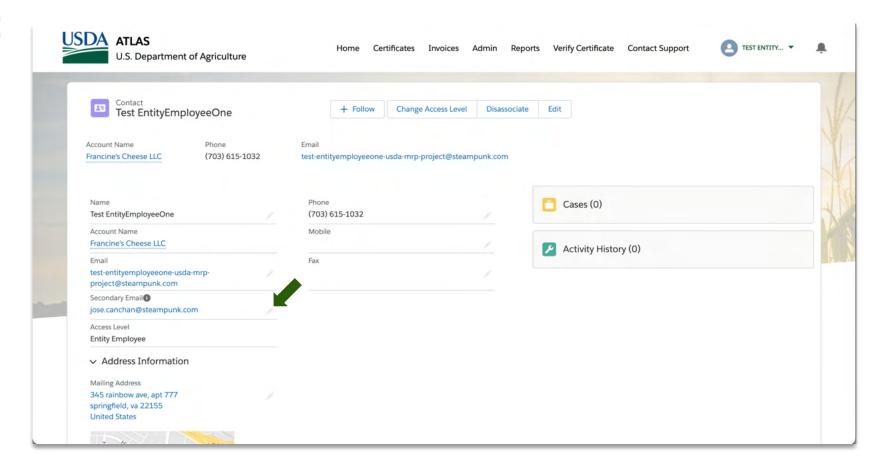
You may also change the access levels of these users and disassociate them from your entity.

Step 1: Click on the desire Contact Name.



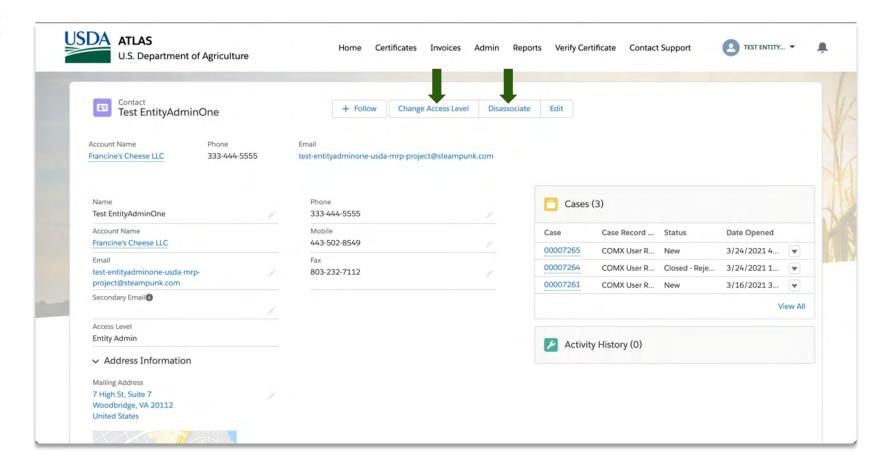
If any employee wishes to update their email, they must get their admin to do this for them.

Employees are not able to edit their own email address stored in the system.



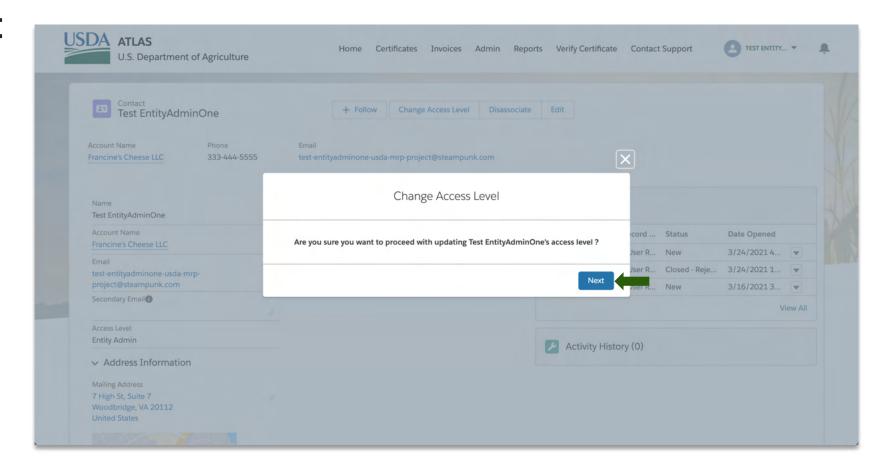
To change the access level or to disassociate a Contact from your entity, you can do so on this screen.

Step 1: Click on Change Access Level.



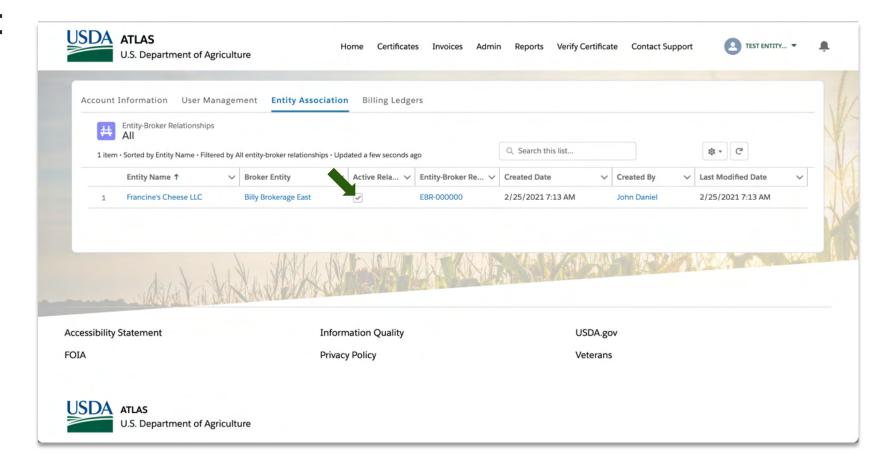
Step 1: Click on Next.

Note: Once you click this command, the access level will be immediately changed.



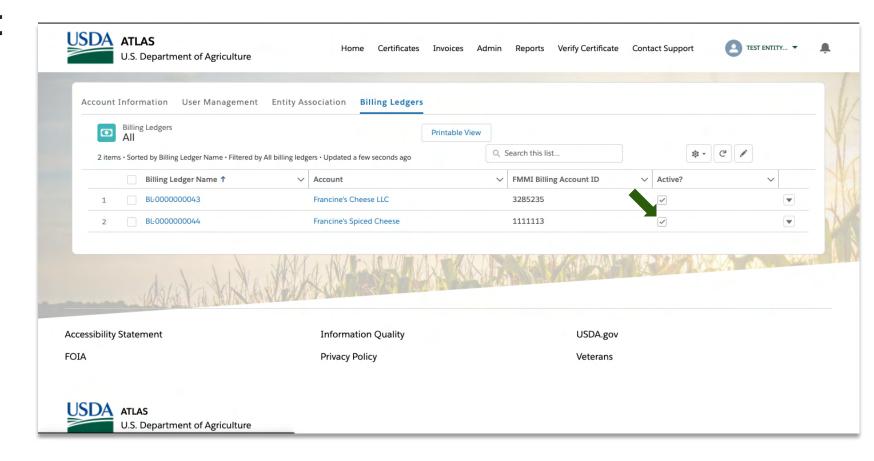
Within the Entity Association tab, you can see the various entities associated with yours.

You can also see whether the relationship is active or not.



Within the **Billing Ledgers** tab, you will see a list of all Billing Ledger records you have access to.

While viewing these ledgers you can see if they are currently active or inactive. This determines whether you can bill to this account or not.

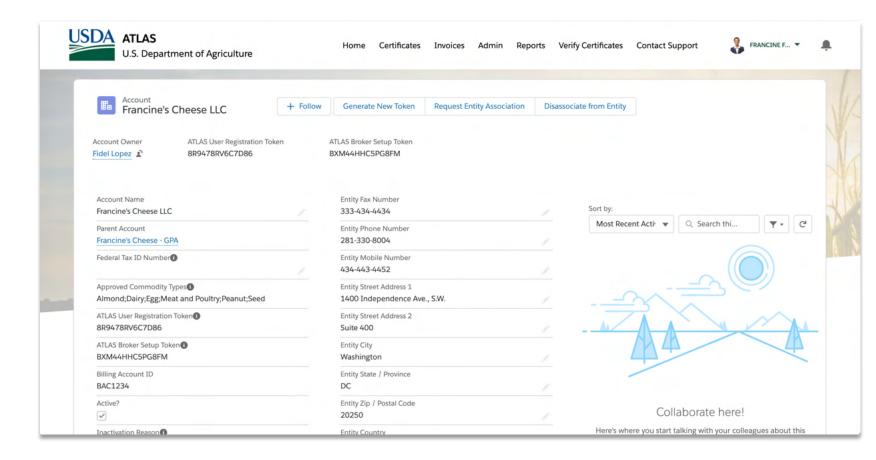


Account

Within the accounts page, you can see all information associated with your specific account.

When scrolling down the page, you will see other records related to this Account such as; Contacts, Consignees, Cases, and Billing Ledgers.

You can edit any of your account information from this page by clicking the pencil tool next to the field desired.



Account

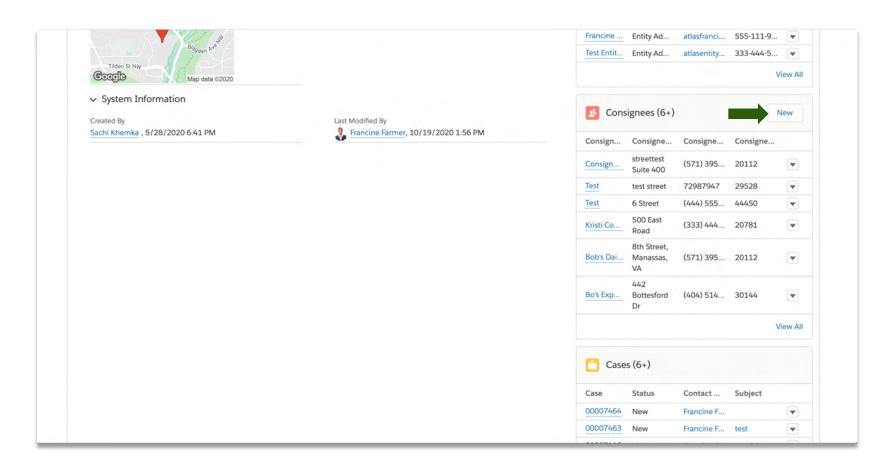
A consignee is stored information about the entity responsible for the export that you can use to quickly populate the related information on a certificate application.

You can edit and create new consignees associated with your account.

Step 1: Click New

Step 2: Follow prompt to create consignee

You can also select on existing consignees to edit their information.

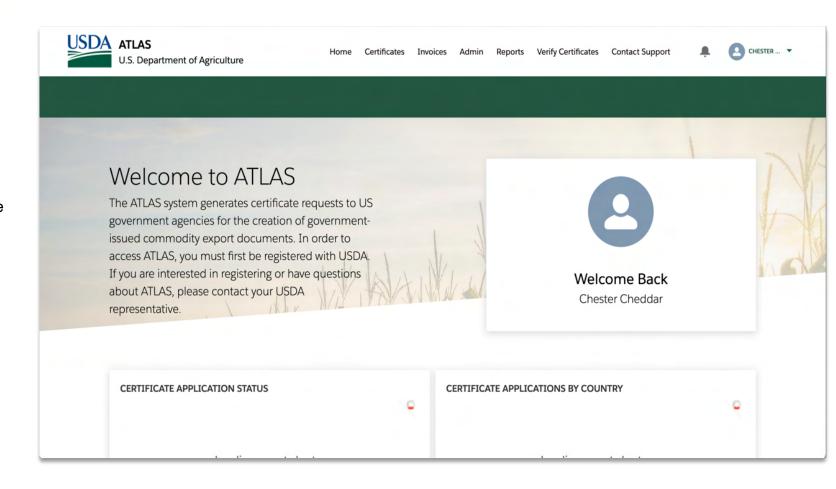




Whenever you would like to submit a certificate application, you must associate it to a shipping group.

A shipping group is a way to bundle up certificates to be shipped out to the same destination.

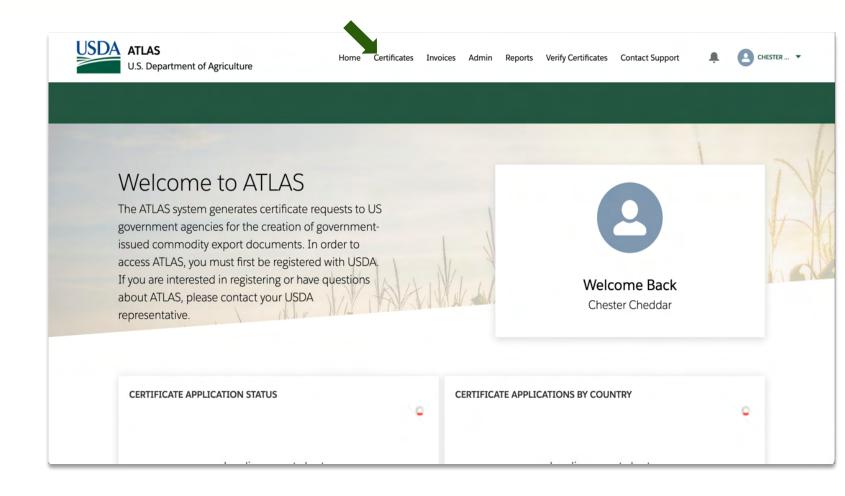
A shipping label is required in order to get Certificates shipped out appropriately.



To navigate to the shipping groups tab, follow these steps:

Step 1: Select the **Certificates** tab on the navigation bar at the top of the screen

The shipping groups section is found in this section of the application

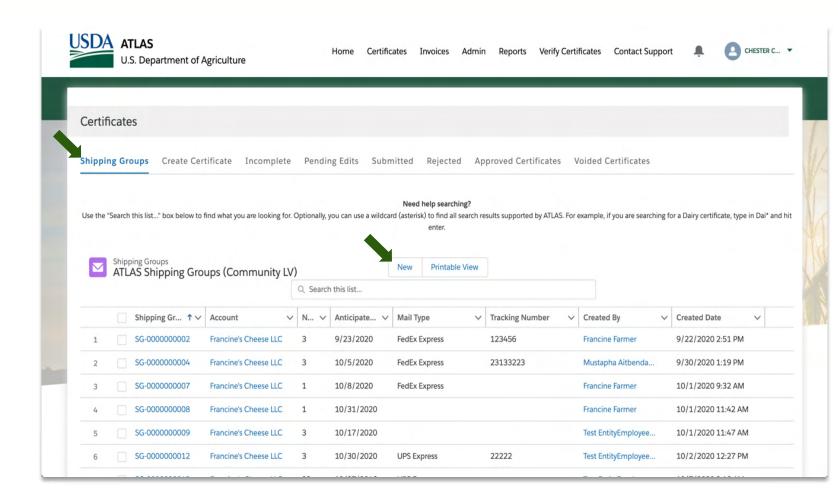


To create a Shipping Group record, you must complete the following steps:

Step 1: Ensure you are on the **Shipping Groups** sub-tab

Step 2: Select **New** towards the middle of the shipping group page.

A popup will appear on the screen to now create a shipping group

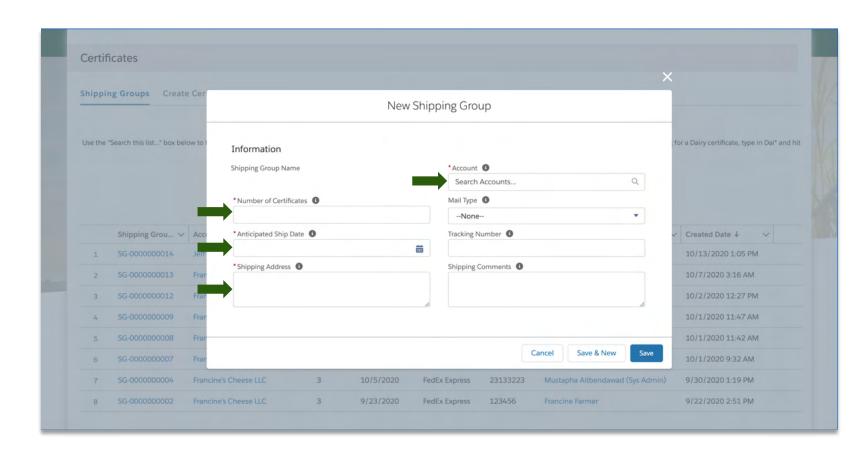


In this window, we will provide the information needed in order to create a shipping group.

Step 1: Fill in all required fields

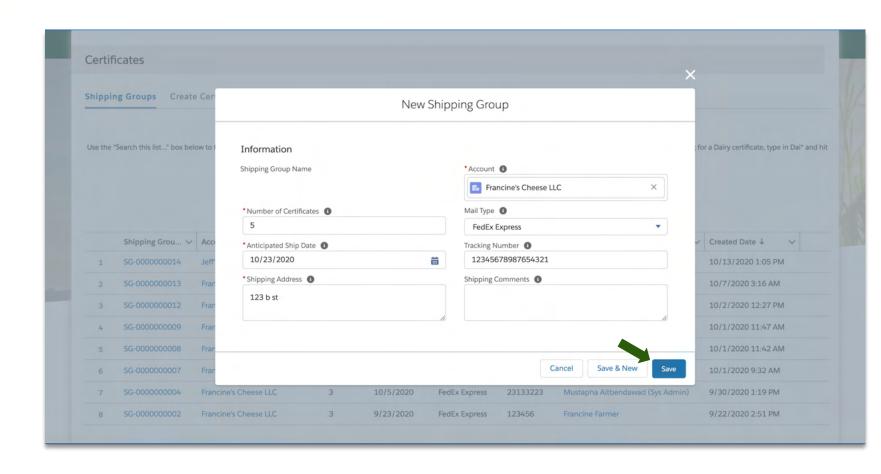
Note: Indicate the number of certificates you would like to associate with each shipping group.

All information can be edited later, when needed.



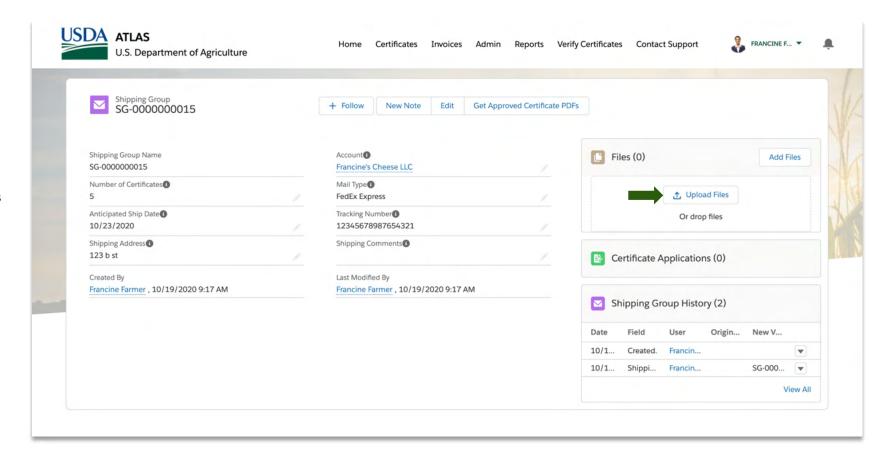
Be sure to verify all information

Step 1: Click save to create the shipping group



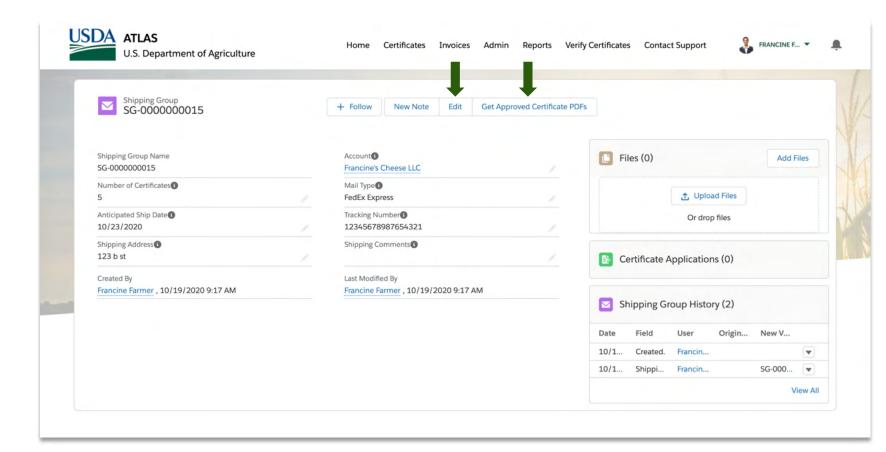
After the Shipping Group record is created, you can then upload your Shipping Label in the Files section.

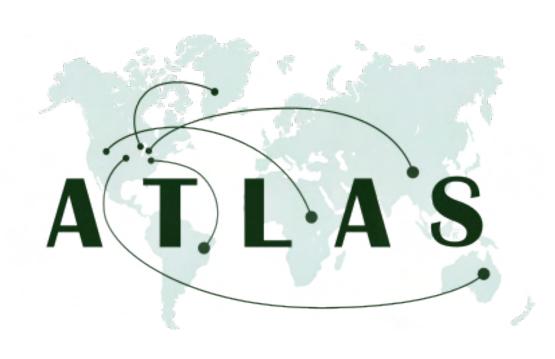
Step 1: Click the **Upload Files** button in the Files section and attach your Shipping Label.



You can then edit shipping groups after you have created them by selecting the shipping group desired.

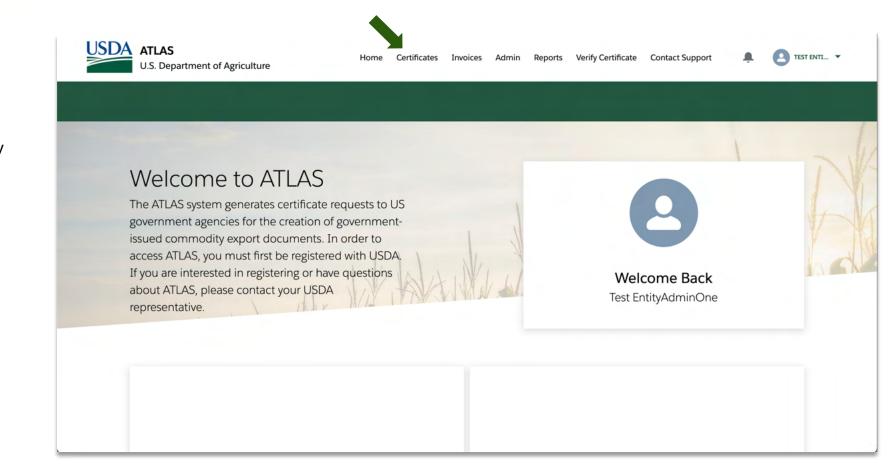
You can get PDF's of all approved certificate applications that were associated to each shipping group if they were manually generated by an internal USDA reviewer.





The certificate application process is step by step within ATLAS.

A certificate application is the application submitted by the user.



After the shipping group has been created you can now create a Certificate application

Step 1: Select the **Certificates** tab on the navigation bar at the top of the screen

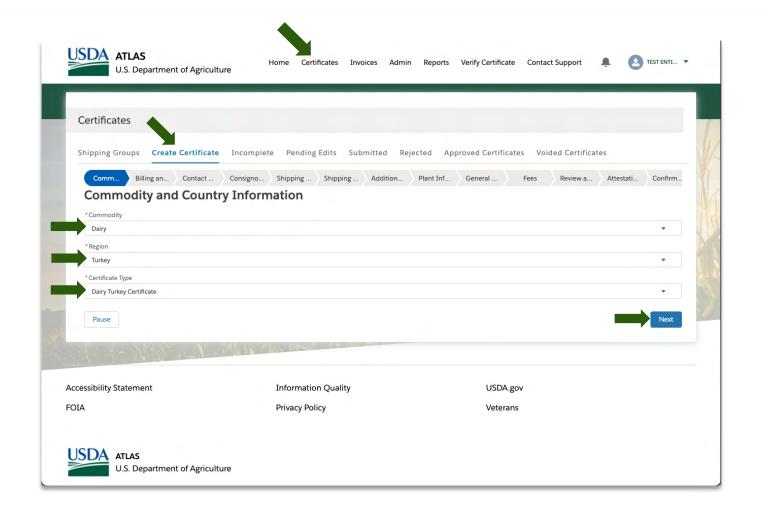
The Create Certificate section is located near the top of the screen.

Step 2: Select the **Commodity** that will be exported.

Step 3: Select the **Region** the export will be going to.

Step 4: Select the Certificate Type desired.

Press **Next** to continue the process.

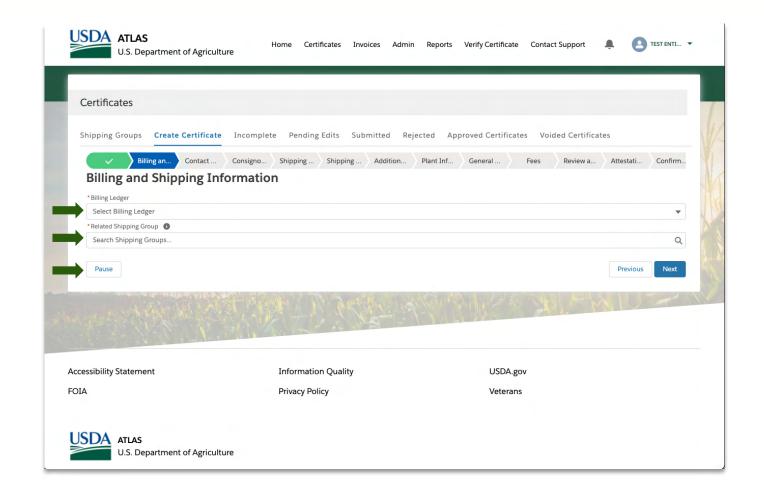


You will need to select the **Billing Ledger** you would like to associate to this certificate application. Make sure that it is an active ledger.

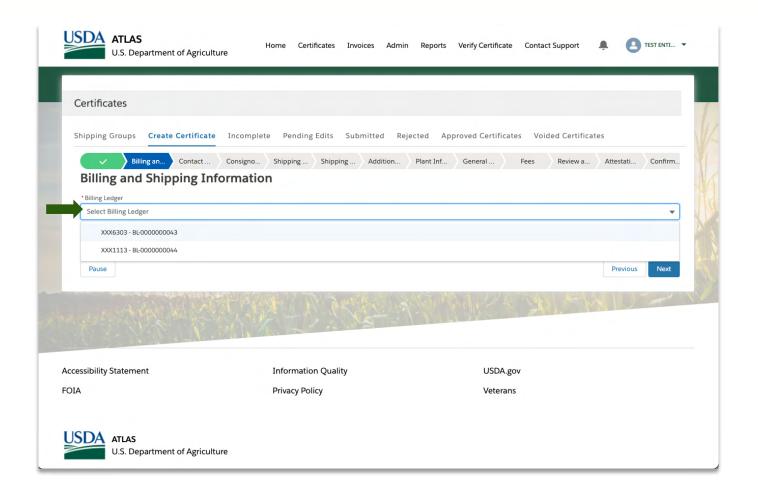
The **Shipping group** that you would like to have associated with this application will also be needed at this time.

Note: You may pause a certificate application at any time by clicking the **Pause** button towards the bottom of the screen. This allows you to put the application on hold at any point and come back to it when ready. It will be located under the **Incomplete** tab.

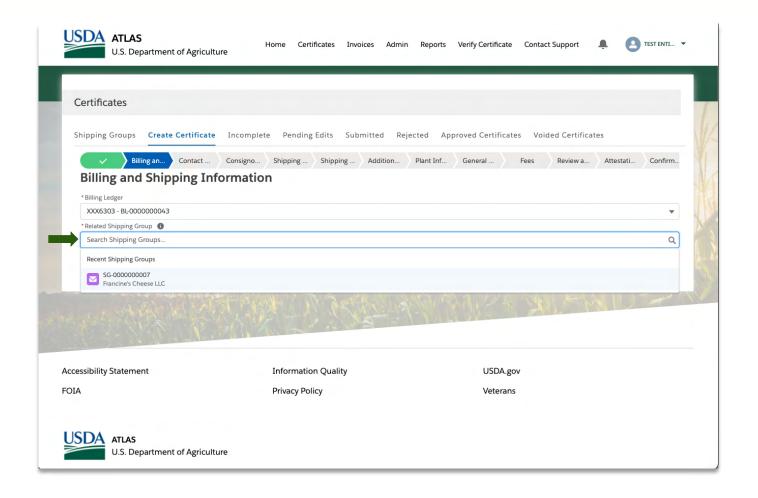
Note: you click your browser's back button, the refresh button, or exit the process without pressing the "pause" button, all your progress will be lost.



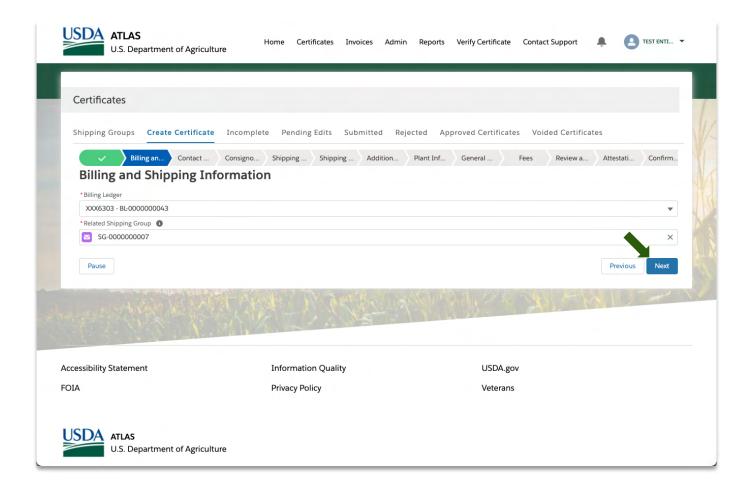
Please select the dropdown menu to find the desired **Billing Ledger** to associate to this certificate application.



Please begin typing the desired **Shipping group** to associate to this application. As you type, the field will bring up relevant shipping groups.



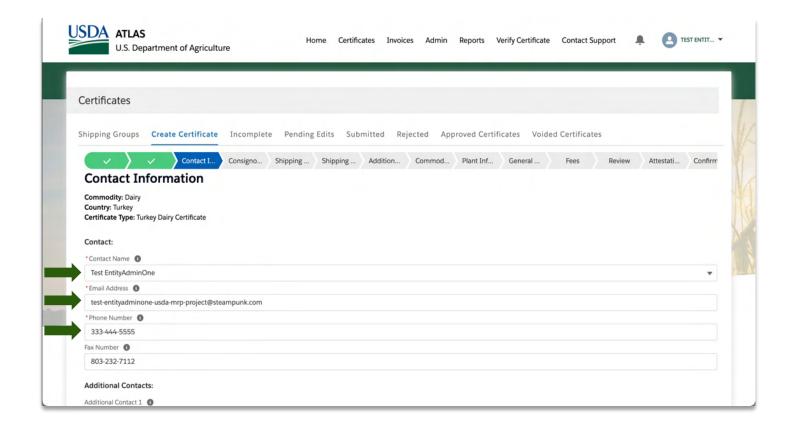
After you have filled in the required fields, please press **next** to continue the application process.



Verify your contact information.

Please make sure all required fields are filled in.

Continue down page.



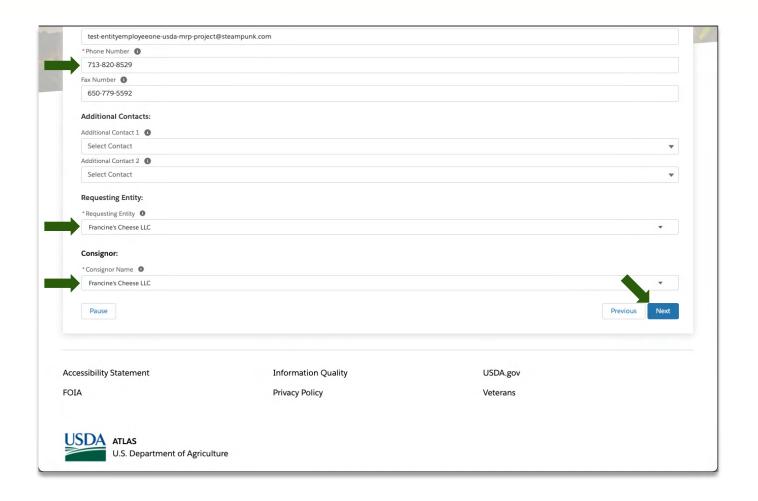
Verify your contact information.

Please make sure all required fields are filled in.

Select the appropriate Requesting Entity

Select the appropriate Consignor Name

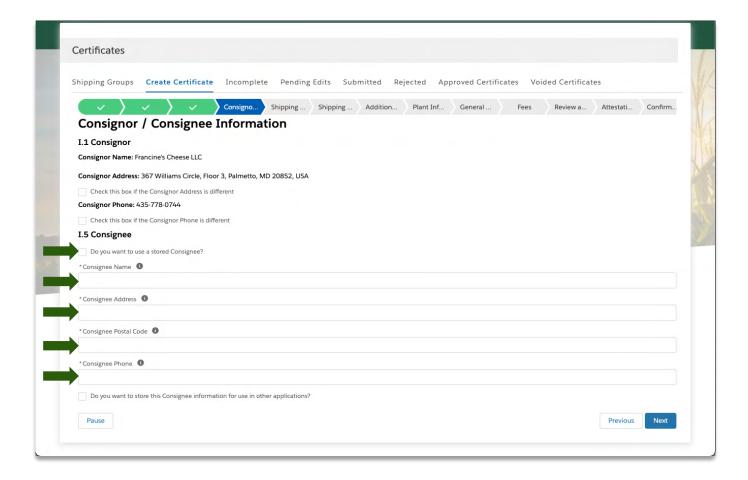
Note: Some fields are drop down search fields.



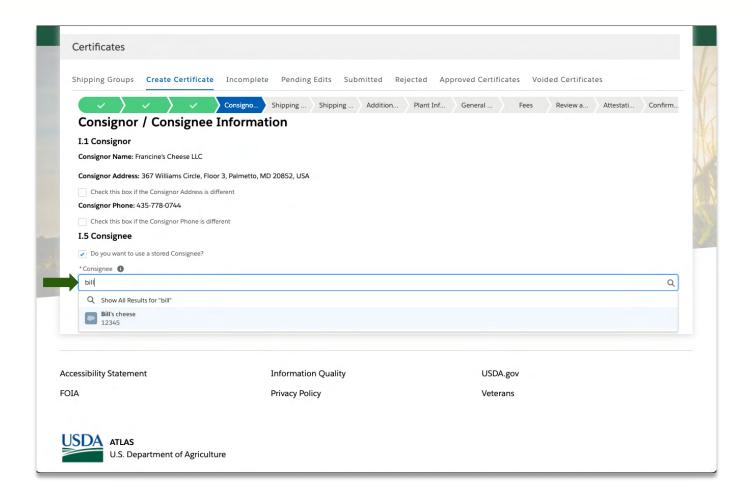
Please fill in all required information.

Tip: If you have a previously saved **Consignee**, you may check the box and search for them.

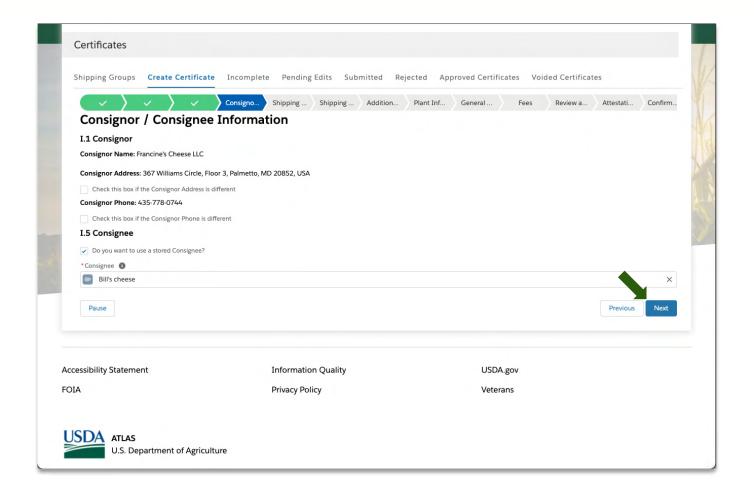
Press **next** and continue when finished.



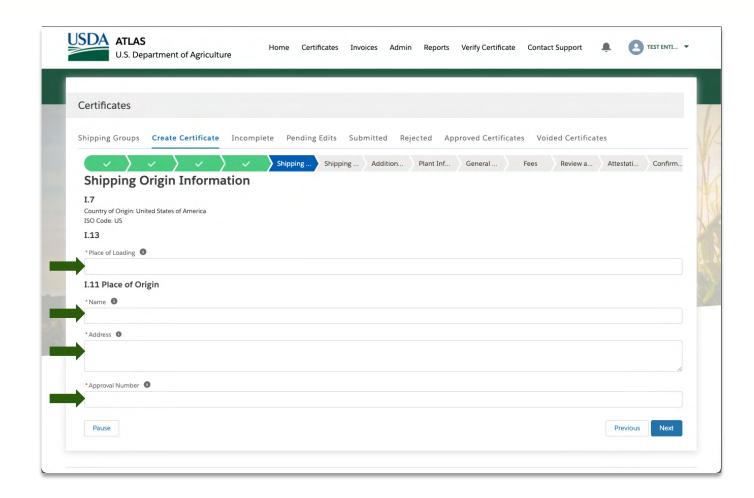
Start typing to find the specific consignee, the field will then populate possible matches. This is only in the case that you are using a stored consignee.



Press **next** to continue the application process.

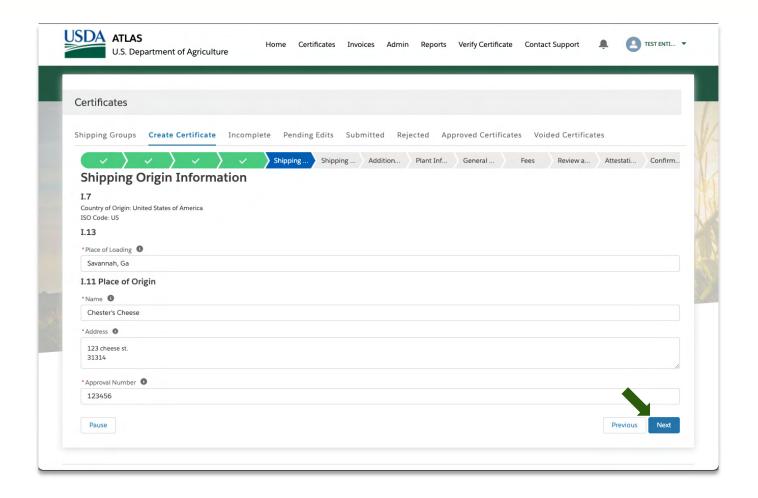


Fill in all required information pertaining to the shipping origin.



Verify all information entered.

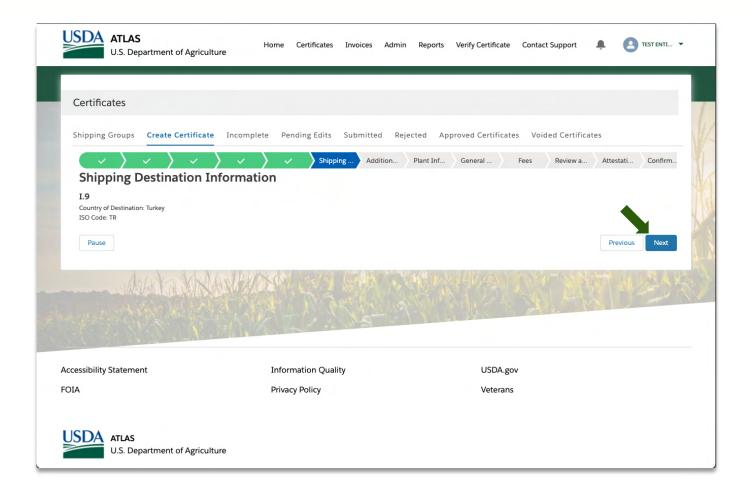
Press **next** to continue the application process.



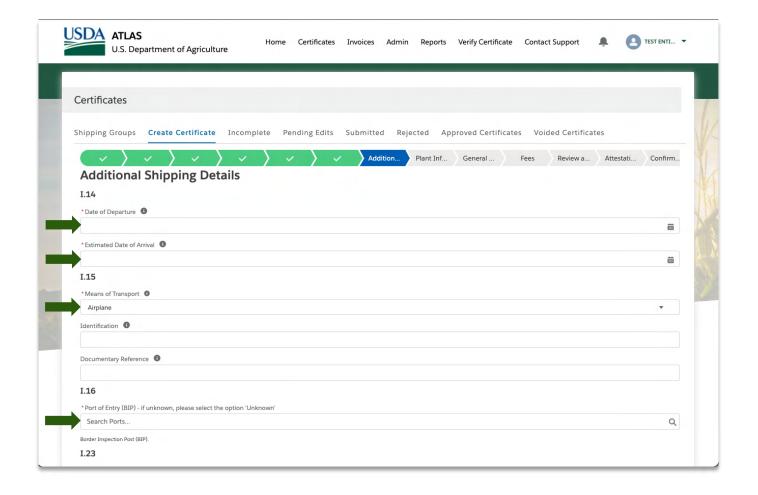
Verify the country of destination is correct.

Press **next** to continue the application process.

Note: Depending the type of certificate, more information may be needed here.



Please insert all information about the shipping details of the export needed to complete the application.



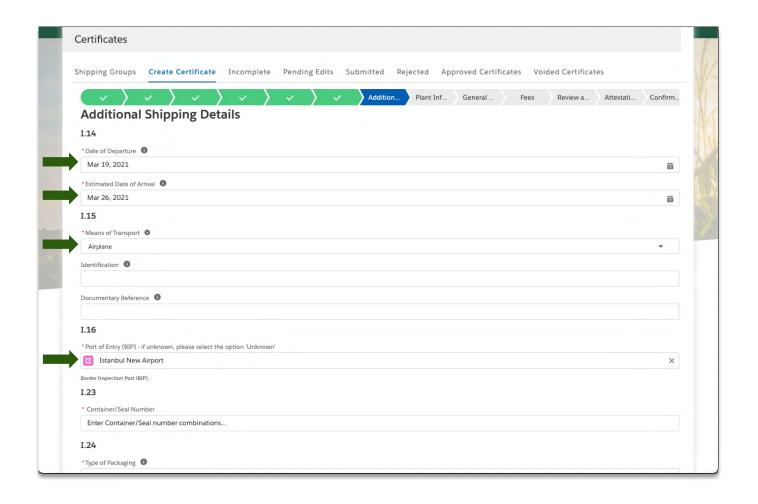
Step 1: Select the Date of Departure

Step 2: Select the Date of Arrival

Step 3: Select the **Means of Transportation** (Boat, Airplane, etc.)

Step 4: Select the **Port of Entry**, begin filling in the field and the search will give relevant options.

Continue down the page.

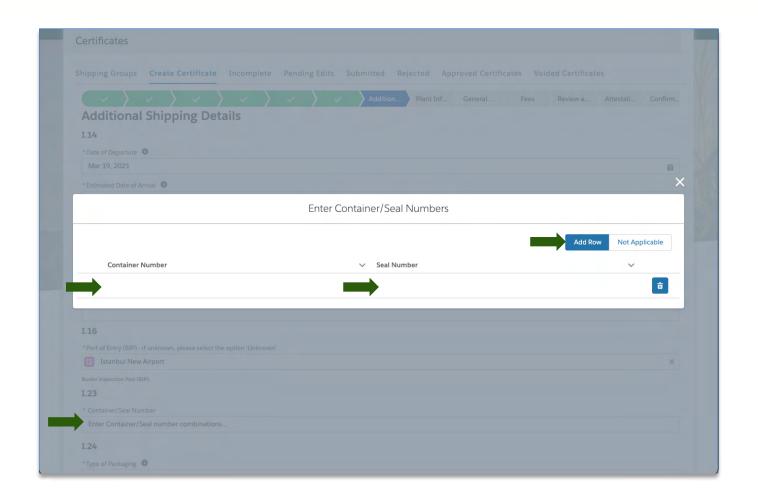


Step 1: Select the **Container/Seal Number** field.

Step 2: Gather the relevant information

Note: You can also add more rows if needed

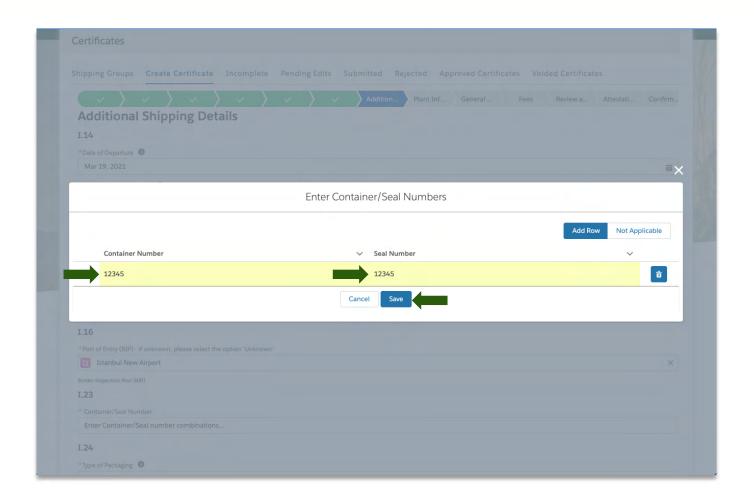
Note: You may also select Not Applicable



Step 1: Fill in the fields with the various numbers

Step 2: Verify information

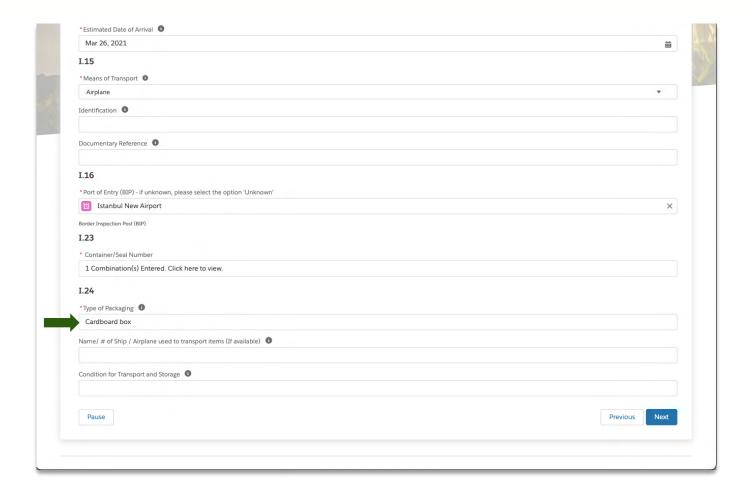
Step 3: Press **Save** and continue the application



Step 1: Specify the type of packaging of the export.

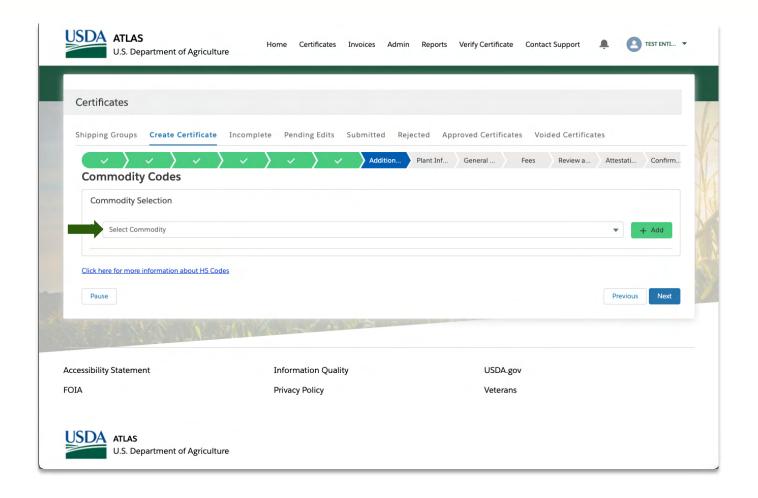
Step 2: Verify all information provided

Step 3: Press **next** and continue the application



For this section you will need the information on the commodity codes of the export.

Step 1: Select the commodity code from the drop-down list.

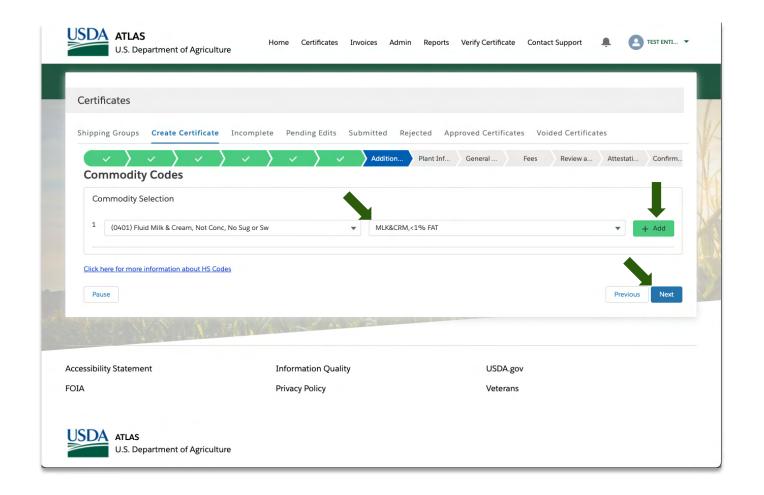


Step 1: Select the **commodity code** from the drop-down list.

Step 2: Select the specific type of commodity from the second list if desired.

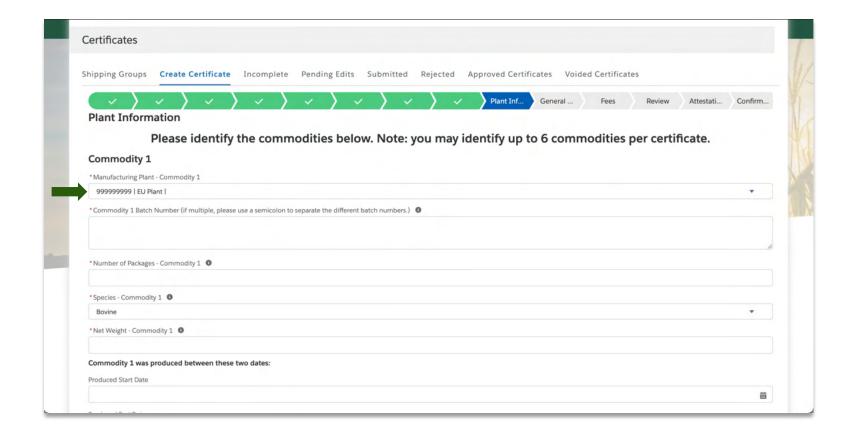
Note: you can also add more rows if there are multiple commodities in this export.

Press **next** to continue the application process



This section deals with the manufacturing of the product.

Step 1: Search for the **Manufacturing plant field** from the list.



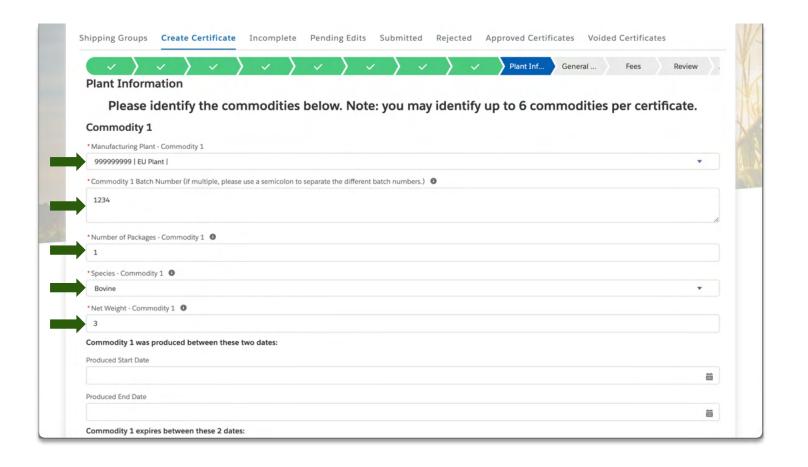
Collect all information needed

Step 1: Fill in all required information.

Note: You may need to add more information

Verify information provided

Move down page to continue application process



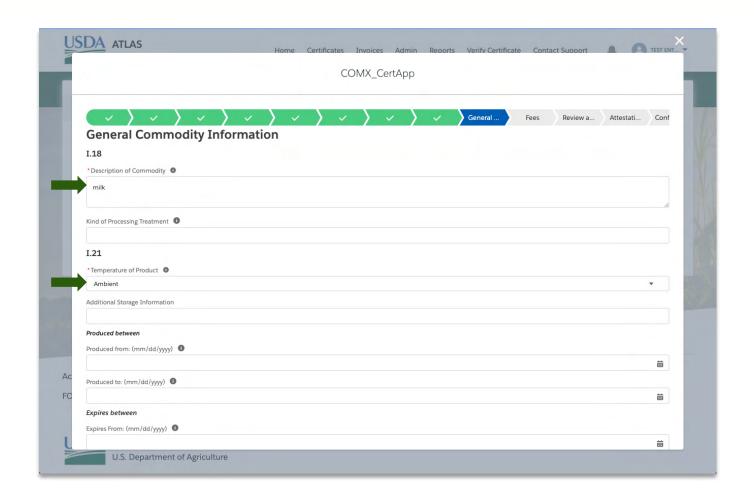
Collect all information needed

Step 1: Fill in all required information.

Note: You may need to add more information

Verify information provided

Move down page to continue application process



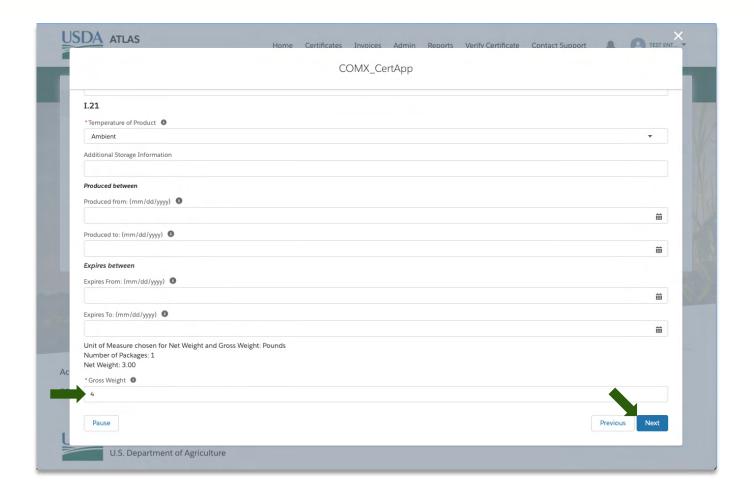
Collect all information needed

Step 1: Fill in all required information.

Note: You may need to add more information

Verify information provided

Press next to continue application



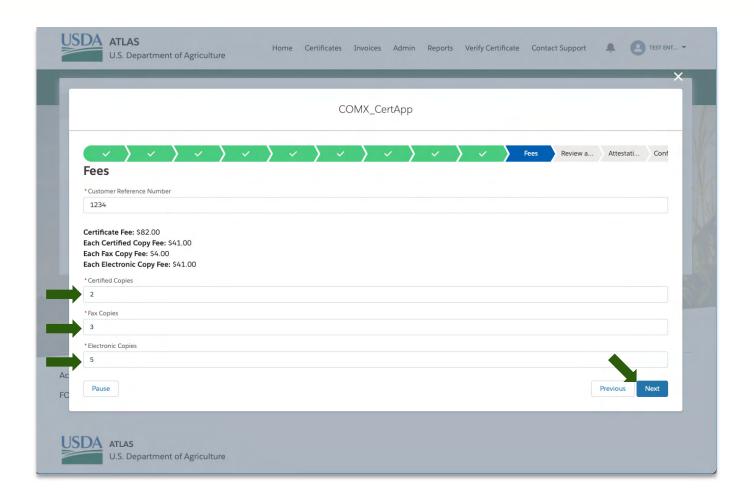
Within the Fees section you will specify the number and types of certificates you would like to receive as well as prices for each.

Step 1: Fill in all required information.

Note: You will need to provide a reference number that you will remember

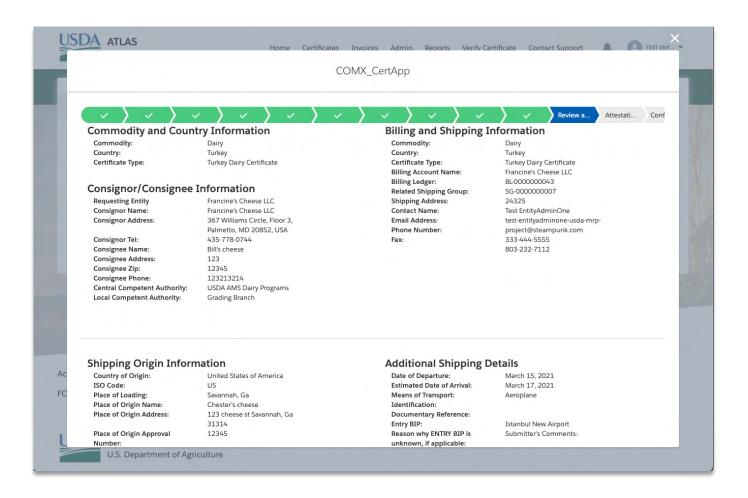
Verify information provided

Press next to continue application



On the review screen you will review all information you have provided in reference to this application.

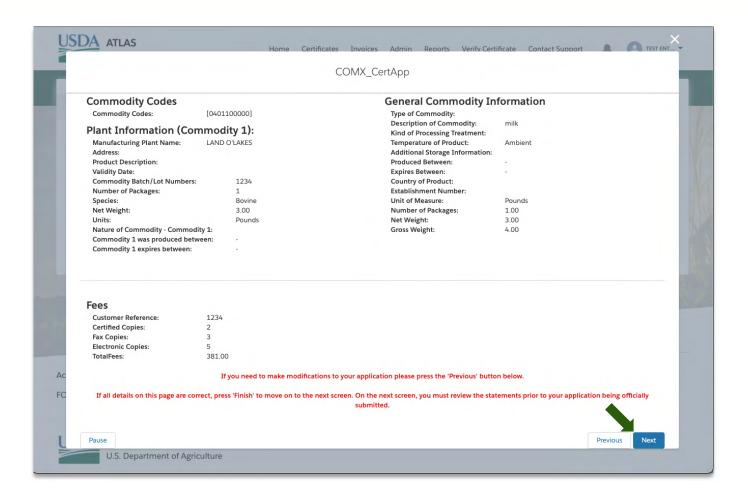
Continue down page to finish review.



Verify information provided.

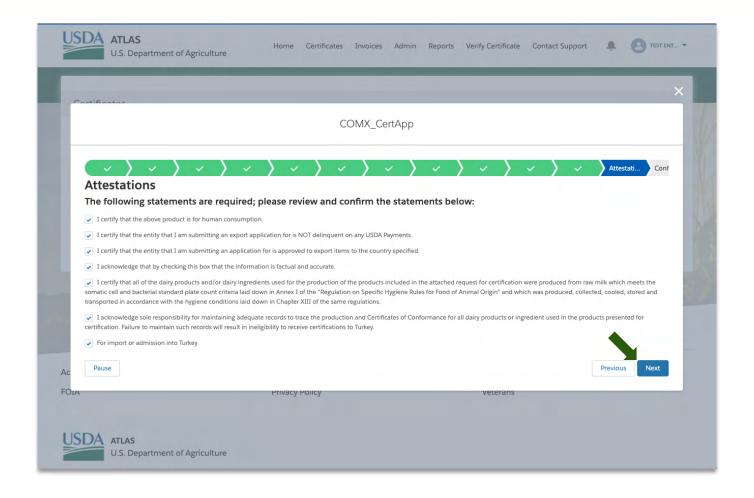
Note: Click previous if you want to go to previous pages to make edits.

Press next to continue application



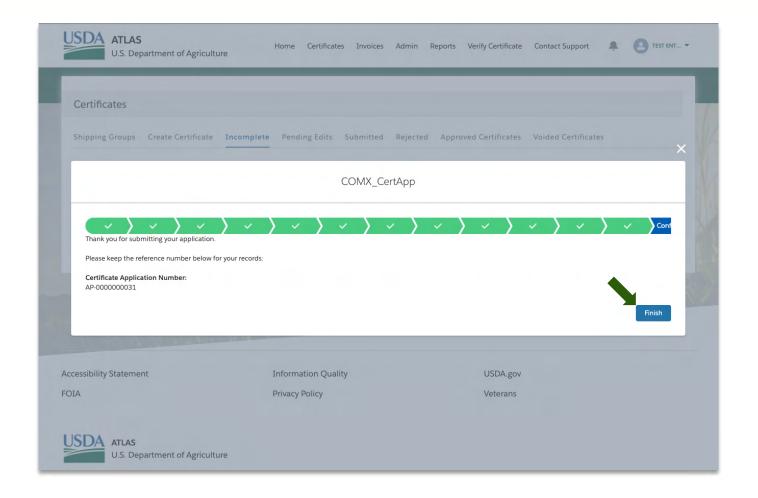
Review and acknowledge all attestations.

Click **next** to Submit application

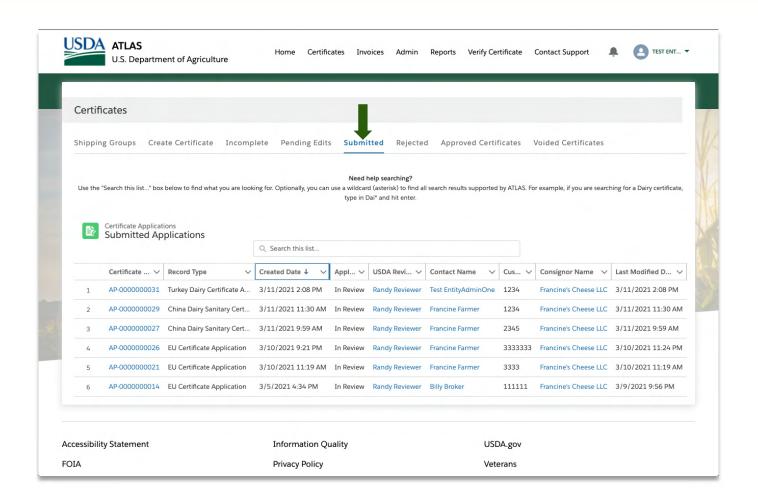


Your certificate application has now been submitted and sent for review.

Click Finish whenever complete.



After your Certificate application has been submitted, you may go to the **Submitted** section near the top of the screen to see its status.





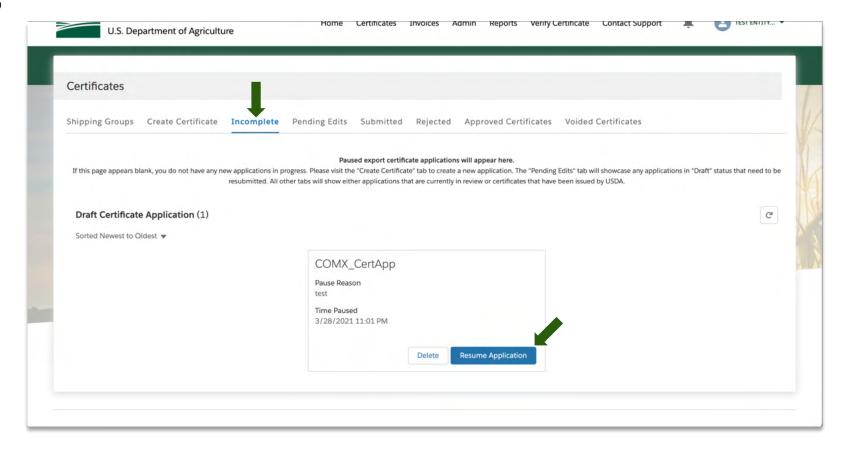
Certificate Statuses

Certificate Statuses (Incomplete)

During the certificate application, if you used the **pause** function, the application in question will be saved here.

Step 1: Click on the **Incomplete** sub tab.

Step 2: Click on **Resume Application** on the desired application.



Certificate Statuses

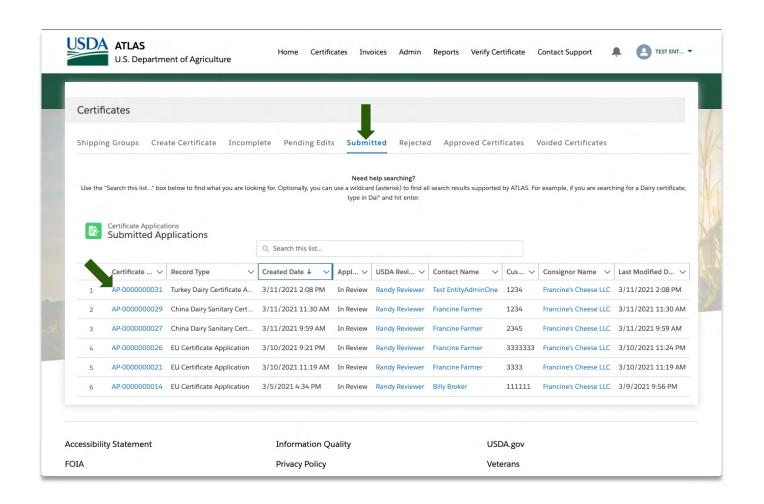
A certificate is the record that only gets created upon the approval of that certificate application.

Under the sub-tabs you will see the certificate applications listed.

You may edit these after they have been submitted or rejected.

Step 1: Click the sub-tab desired.

Step 2: Click the application desired.



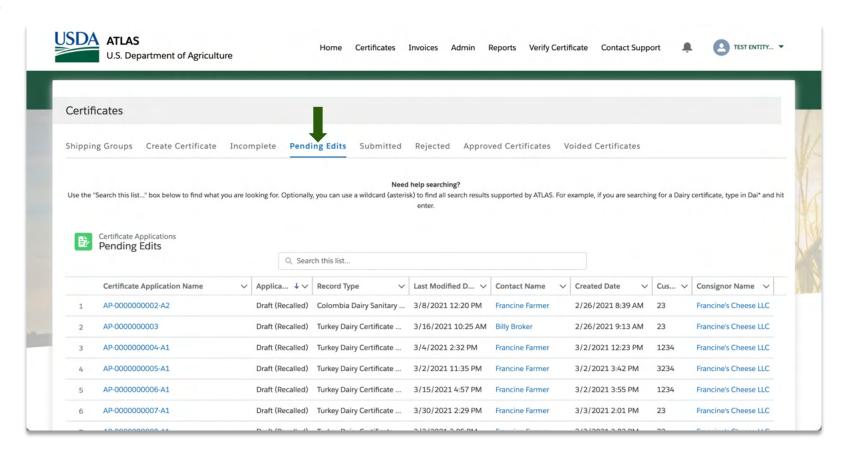
Certificate Statuses

Pending edits tab holds any certificate application with a status of Draft (Recalled).

These are certificate applications that were either recalled and edited or certificate applications which were approved but needed an amendment after the fact.

In both cases, they are not yet submitted for approval.

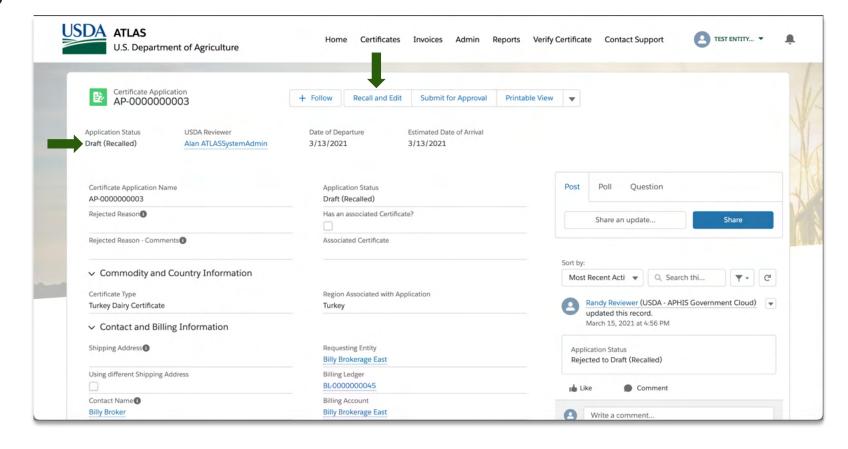
When you click on a record, you will be able to see the details of an application that you have access to.



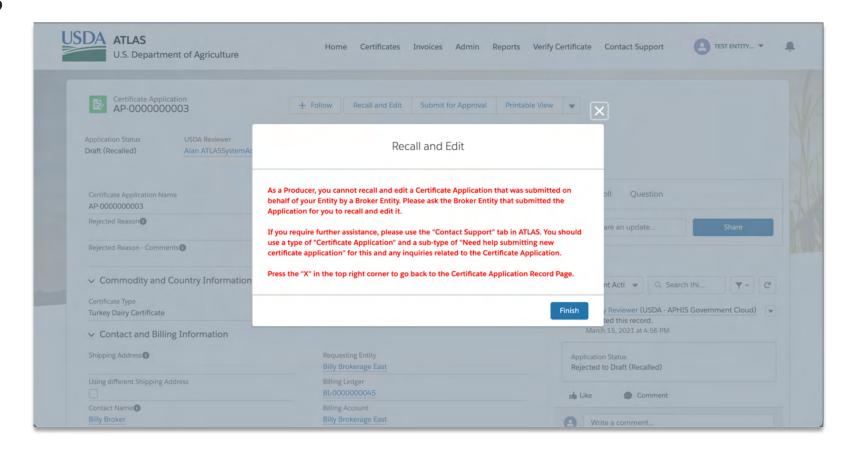
If you want to make edits to an application after it has been submitted, but before it is approved, you need to recall and edit it. This stops any USDA reviewers from looking at the application while you make your edits.

The Status of the specific application will also be listed here.

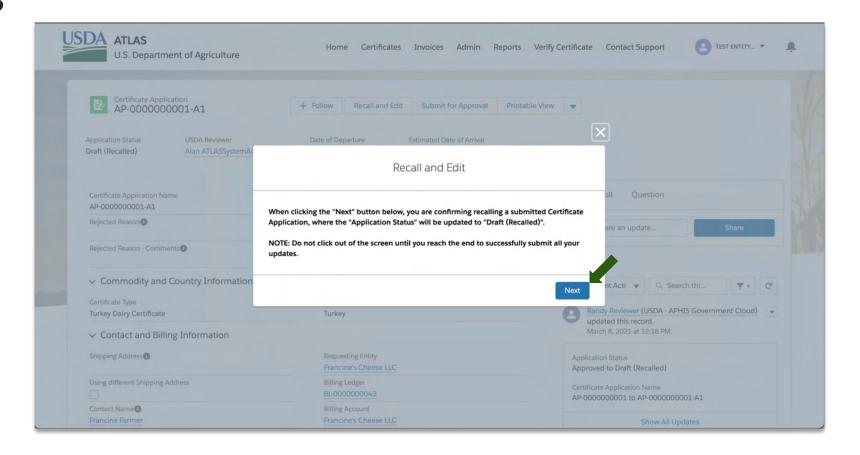
Step 1: Click the Recall and Edit button.



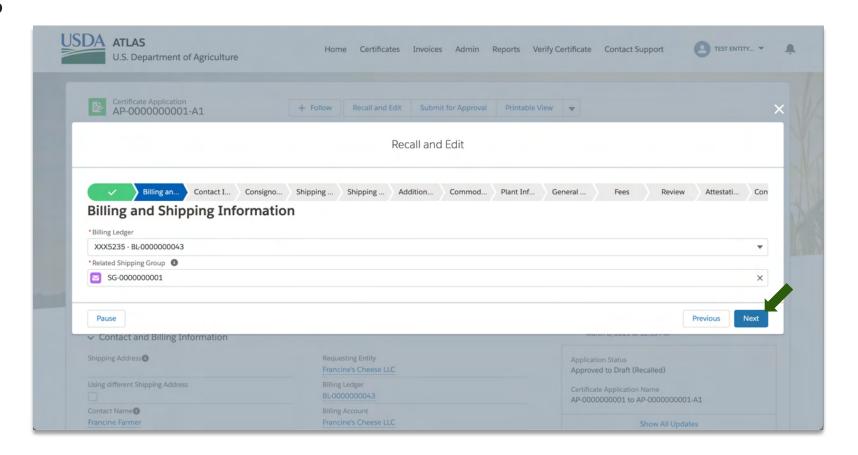
Note: When a broker submits a certificate application on your behalf, you can see the application, but not make edits.



Step 1: Click the Next button.

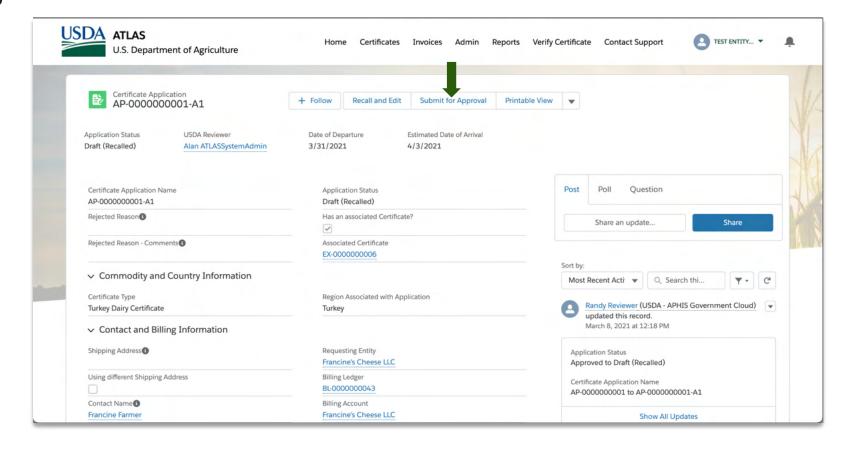


Go through the Certificate application to make the desired or necessary changes.

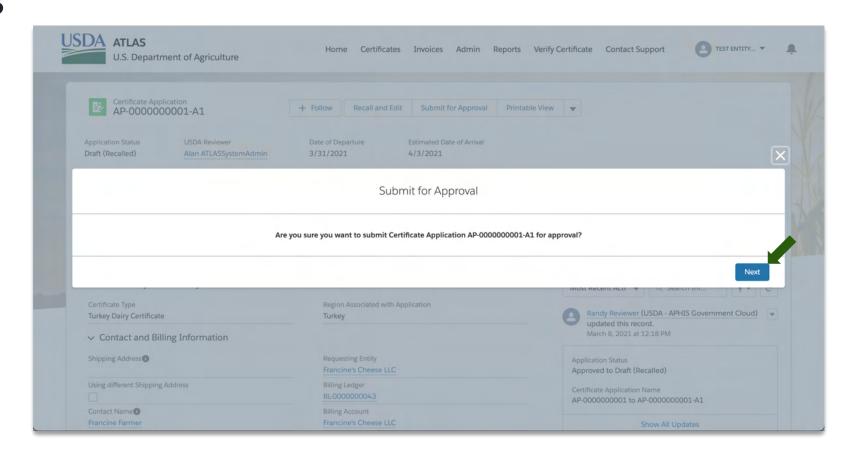


After you have made your changes to the Certificate Application, you must submit it for approval.

Step 1: Click Submit for Approval.

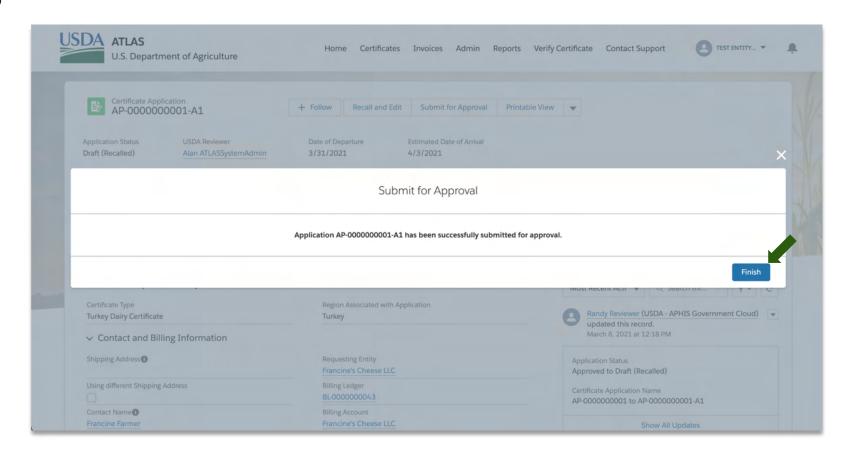


Step 1: Click Next to submit.



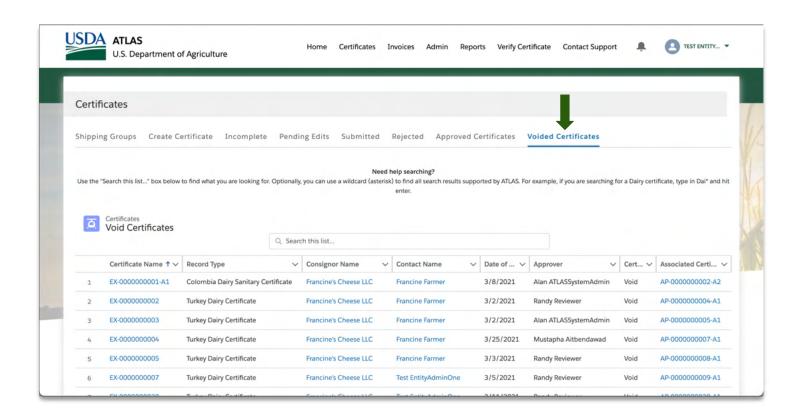
Certificate Statuses (Recall and Edit)

Click **Finish** to refresh the page after submitting the application.



Certificate Statuses

Voided certificates are certificates that are no longer valid even though they were already generated. Their status gets updated to "Void" and any PDF document that was generated for them is deleted. Also, the user is refunded any fees that they paid for them



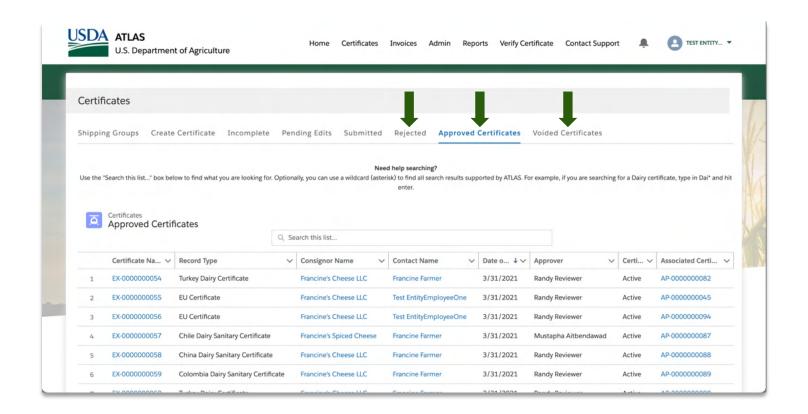
Certificate Statuses

Once an application is approved, you can only **Amend** it, you can't edit the related certificate application.

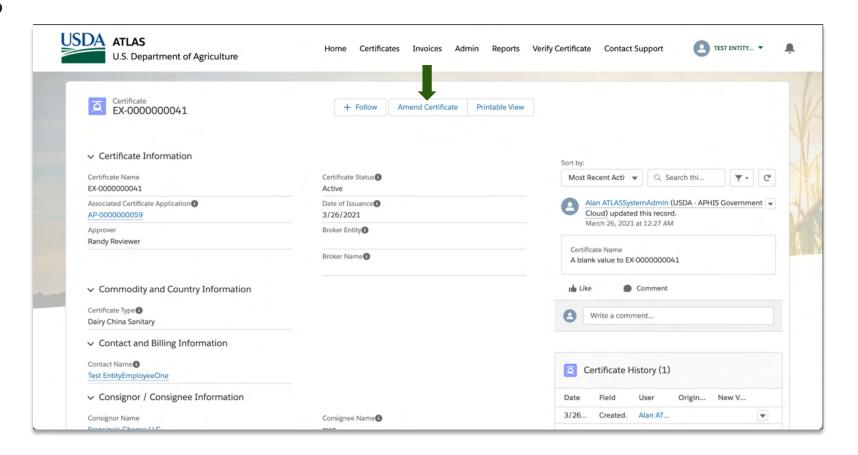
If a certificate application is rejected, you can recall and edit it to make the necessary changes.

The sub-tabs that show approved certificates are **Approved Certificates and Voided Certificates.**

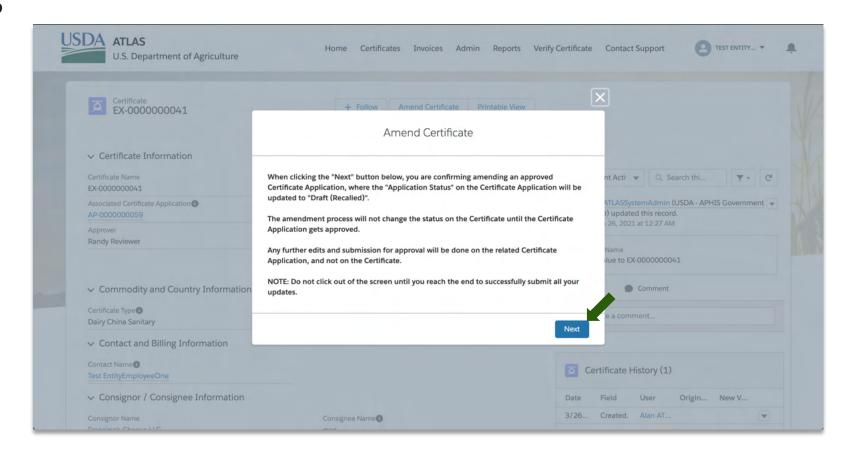
Amendments are considered new certificates. You will not get the fees reimbursed from the original application and will be billed again for the new application.



Step 1: Click Amend Certificate



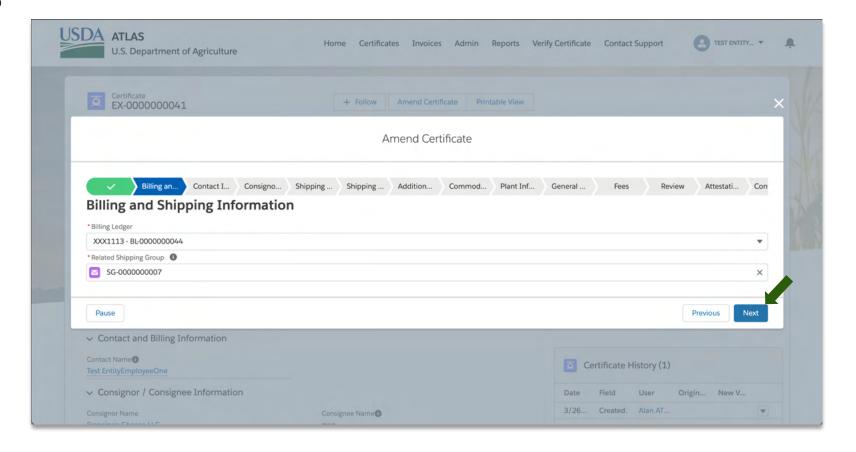
Step 1: Click **Next** to continue amending the certificate



Step 1: Go through the Certificate Application

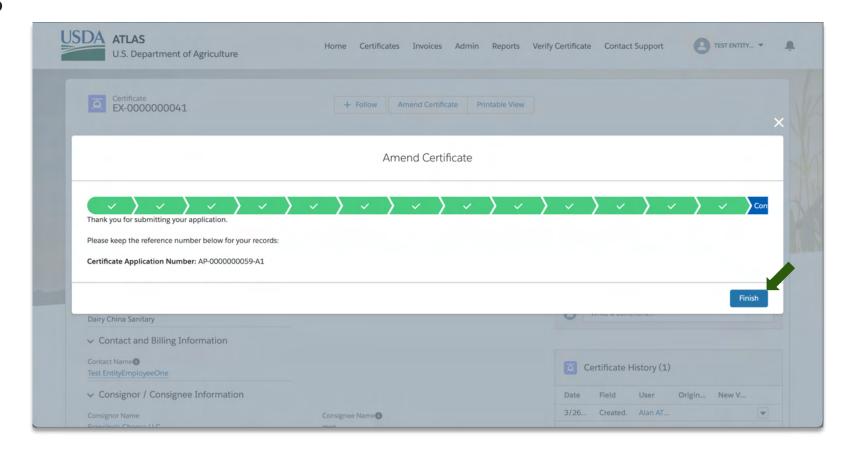
Step 2: Make any necessary or desired edits.

Step 3: Click Next to continue.



After making edits to the certificate, you will need to go to the application associated in order to **submit for approval**.

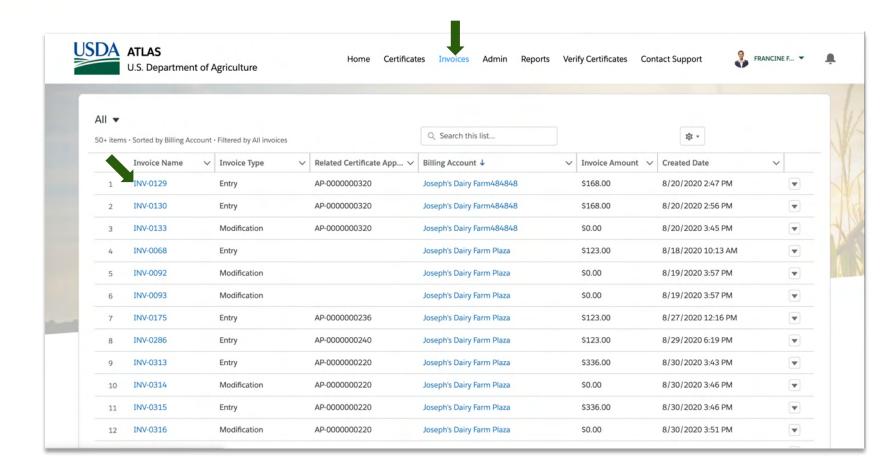
Step 1: Click **Finish** to complete the application.





After a certificate has been approved you can view the invoice associated with it in the **Invoices** tab located at the top of the screen.

Step 1: To view a specific invoice, select the **invoice name** you desire.

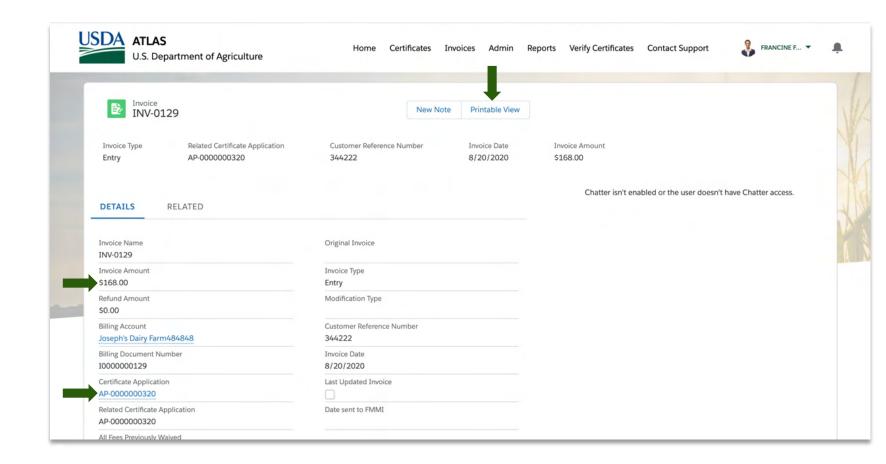


While you can not pay through ATLAS, you can view charges for services rendered.

The certificate associated with the invoice will be listed here as well.

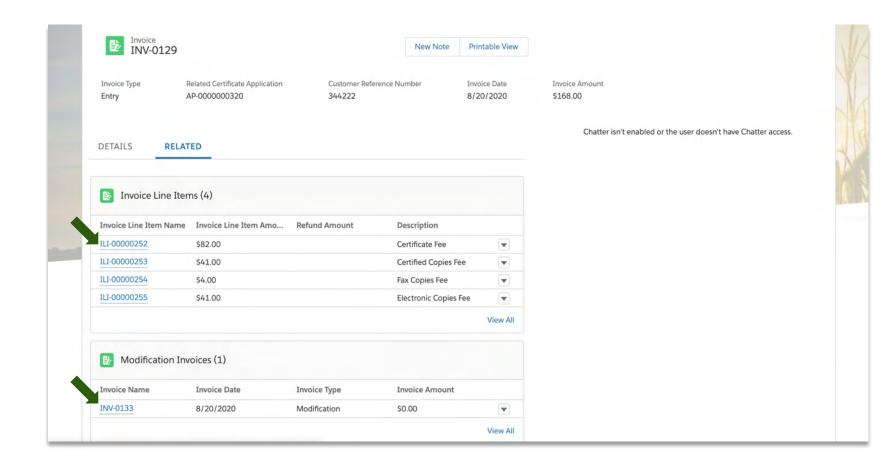
It is also possible to have a printable view of the invoice if desired.

Step 1: Click **Printable View** near the top of the page. A pop-up with your pdf will be opened.



Further down the page, you can see the invoice line items listed. This is to give further detail of services rendered and the charges associated with them.

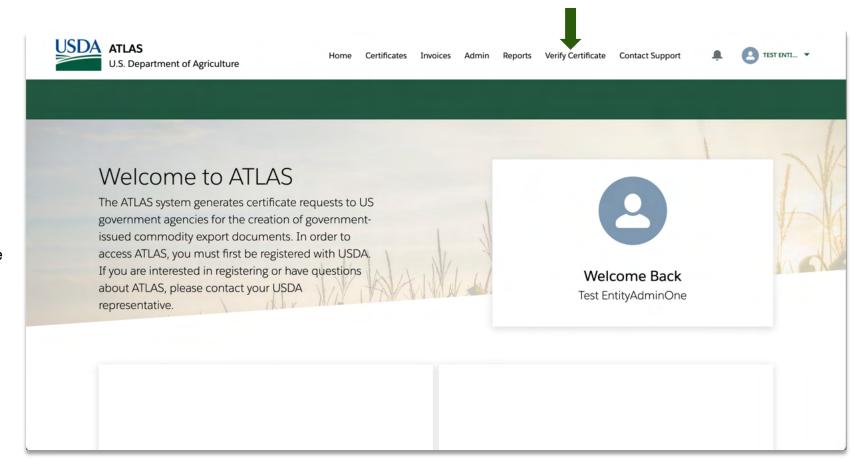
Modification invoices are invoices related to amended or voided certificates. These are additional invoices that are generated after a cert app goes through an amendment (user pays extra fees) or when a certificate is voided (user gets their fees payment refunded).





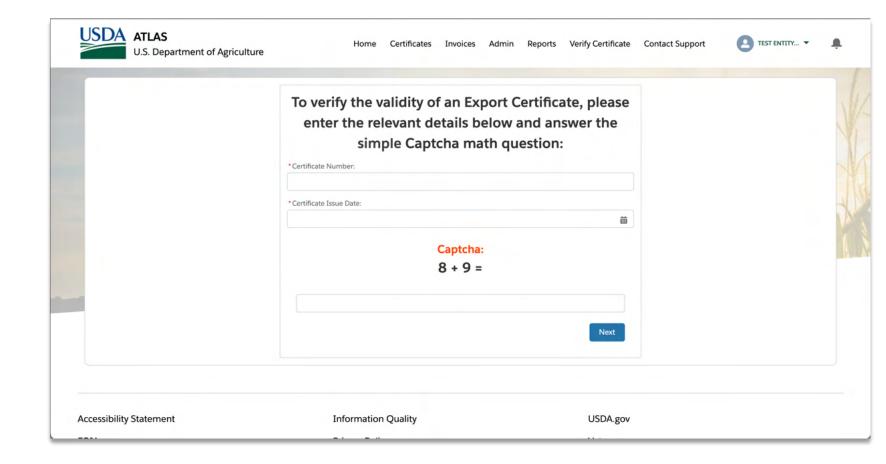
The verify certificate functionality is accessible by any user, regardless if they are logged in or not. It allows parties such as, Foreign Port Officials to go into the system and check if a certificate is current and valid.

Step 1: Navigate to the **Verify Certificate** tab at the top of the page.



Once on the Verify Certificate page, you will need a few items in order to go though the process.

- Certificate number
- Certificate issue date



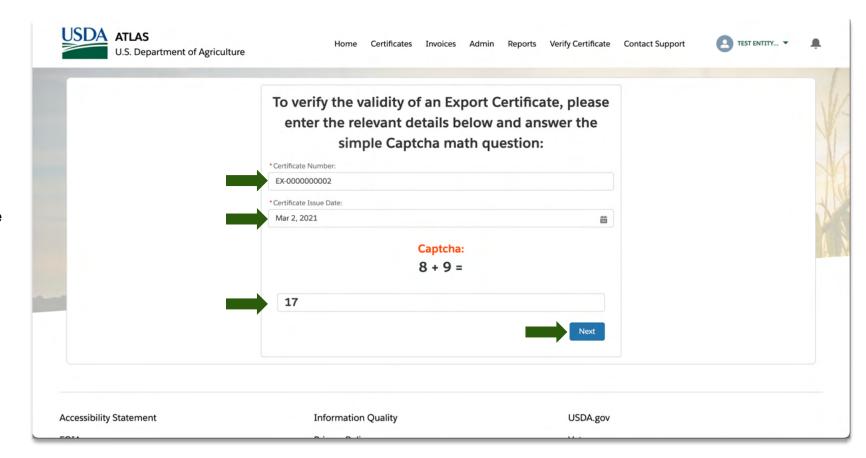
Once you have collected the necessary information, please fill in the corresponding fields

Step 1: Fill in the **Certificate Number** field with the specific certificate you are looking into.

Step 2: Fill in the **Certificate Issue Date** field with the date the certificate was issued by the USDA.

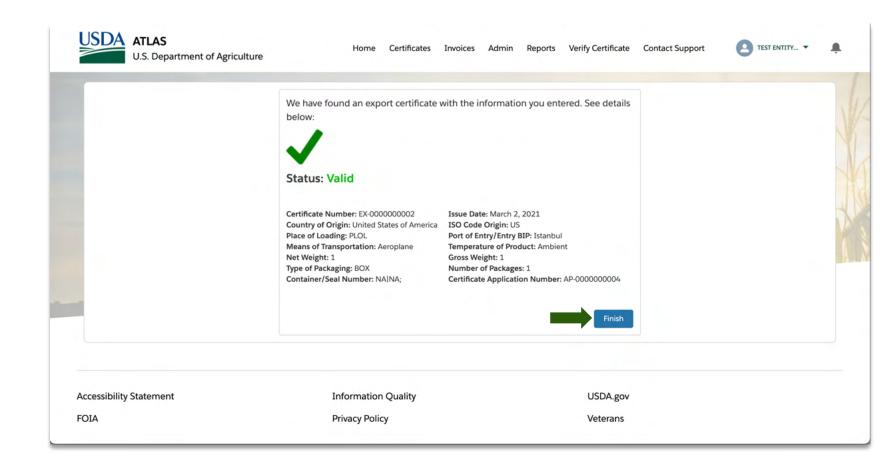
Step 3: Answer the **Captcha** to validate that you are in fact not a bot.

Step 1: Press **next** to continue with the certificate verification.



This screen will display any information pertaining to the specific certificate in question.

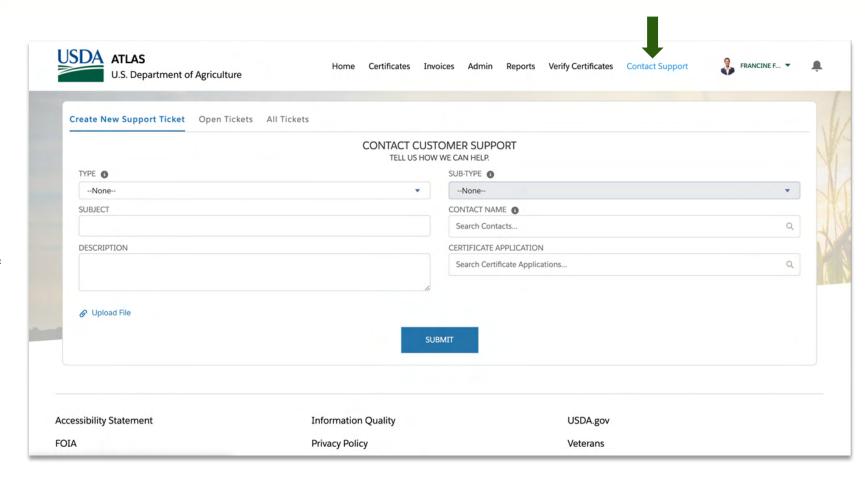
Once you are finished reviewing the information feel free to press **finish** or navigate as desired.



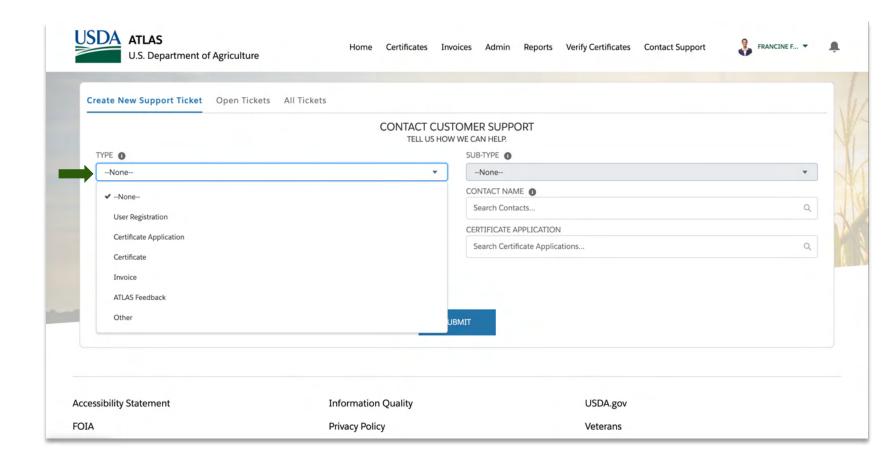


The **Contact Support** feature allows the ability for ATLAS users to communicate with the USDA Support team on any issues or questions they may have.

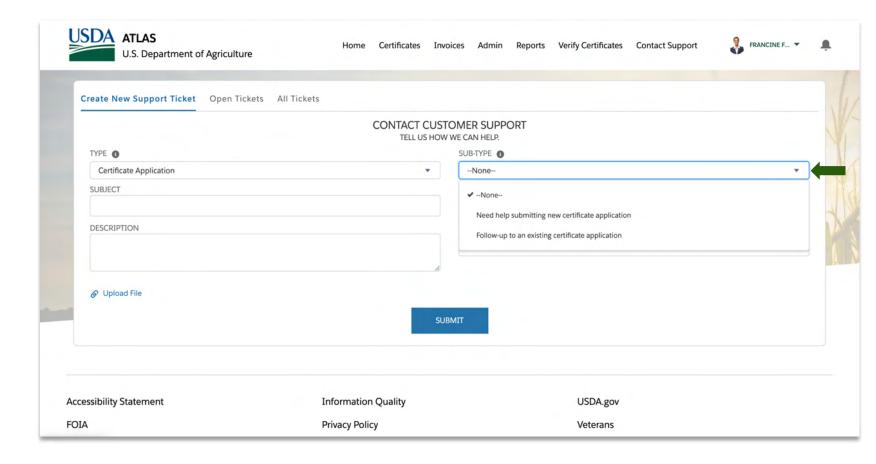
Step 1: Click the **Contact support** tab at the top of the page.



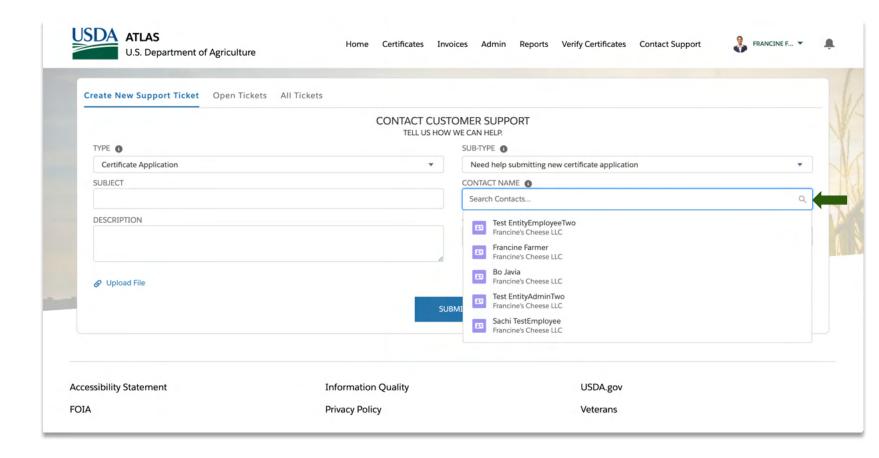
Step 1: Choose the **Type** of support you are needing help with.



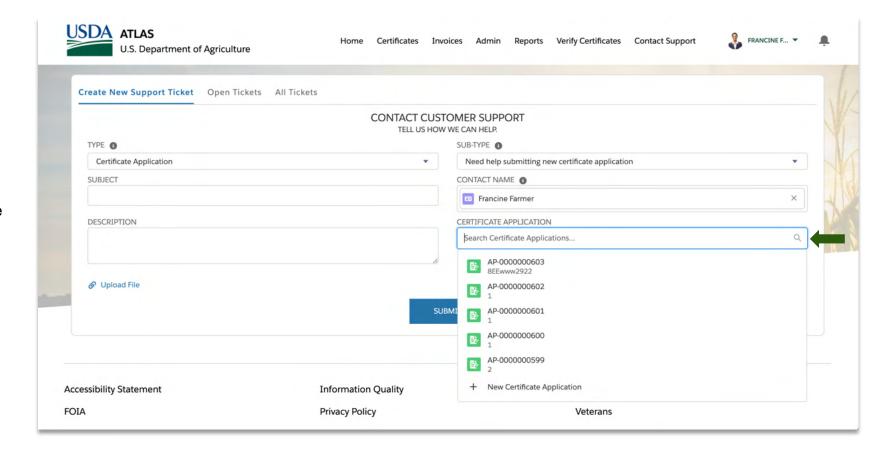
Step 1: Choose the Sub-Type if needed.



Step 1: Select the **Contact** you are requesting support for.



Step 1: If the support that is needed pertains to a specific **Certificate Application**, please select the appropriate record.

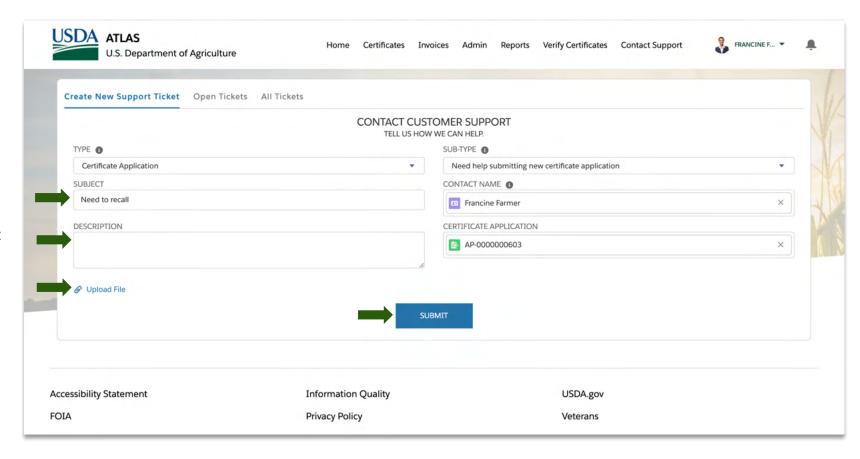


Step 1: Fill in the Subject line

Step 2: Fill in the **Description** of your support ticket

Step 3: Attach a file if needed

Step 4: Click the **Submit** to submit the support request.



After the ticket is submitted, you can view its status in the other tabs on the page.

Other tickets submitted and their statuses will exist here as well.

