

(Empowered Under Section 8 of Animal Rules, 1962)

**REGULATIONS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF MILK
OR MILK PRODUCTS INTO MALAYSIA**

- A. Product : Liquid milk, milk powder, cheese, cream containing milk, butter, ice cream containing milk, yogurt and other milk/dairy products
- B. Country of Export : Any Country
- C. Purpose : Any Purpose
- D. Regulations for Importation: -

1. Import Permit

The consignment of milk or milk products shall be accompanied by a valid import permit issued by the Director General of Veterinary Services, Malaysia or the State Director concerned permitting the importation of such milk or milk products into the State(s) of Malaysia.

2. Veterinary Health Certification

Each consignment of milk or milk products shall be accompanied by an official veterinary health certificate in English dated within seven (7) days of export and signed or endorsed by a competent veterinary officer of the Government Veterinary Authority of the exporting country certifying that: ;

- 2.1 The country of origin or part of country or province of origin has been free from foot and mouth disease and rinderpest for the past twelve (12) months prior to and till the date of export;
- 2.2 The milk or milk products were derived from herds/flocks that have been kept in the country during the preceding twelve (12) months prior to export;
- 2.3 The farm of origin have been certified free from tuberculosis and brucellosis by the Government Veterinary Authority of the exporting country.
- 2.4 The animals were found to be healthy and free from any clinical sign of infectious or contagious diseases (including ectoparasites) at the time of milking;
- 2.5 The milk or milk products were processed and packed in a plant that has been approved for export by the competent authority of the exporting country (the name, address and establishment number of the plant as well as batch/lot number and date of production must be clearly stated in the certificate);
- 2.6 The milk or milk products were processed, packed and stored under sanitary condition and do not contain any preservative, colouring matter, residue or any foreign substance or harmful material injurious to health including melamine and that every precaution has been taken to prevent contamination of the milk or milk products during the processing, packing, storing and handling prior to export;
- 2.7 The milk or milk products shall undergo following process ;
 - 2.7.1 In case of milk or cream for human consumption, the milk used has been treated by ultra high temperature (UHT) at a minimum of 132°C for at least 1 second or by simple high temperature short time pasteurisation (HTST) at 72 °C for at least 15 seconds for milk with pH less than 7.0 or double HTST for milk with pH 7 or over.

2.7.2 Milk for animal consumption has been subjected to either double HTST or in case of simple HTST or UHT, this was combined with either physical treatment to maintain pH 6 for at least 1 hour or additional heating to at least 72 °C combined with desiccation.

2.8 In the case of milk or milk products intended for human consumption, that the milk or milk products are wholesome and fit for human consumption.

3. Transportation & Landing Place

Each consignment of milk or milk products imported into Malaysia shall be carried by ship or aircraft or any vehicle direct to the prescribed landing place in Malaysia.

4. Labeling of the Products

Milk or milk products intended for purposes other than for human consumption should be clearly identified and labeled (in RED) as "unfit for human consumption" or "not for human consumption" or "for animal use only" or "animal feeds" or "stock feeds".

5. Surrender of Official Documents in Malaysia

Upon arrival in Malaysia, all documents and the products shall be surrendered for inspection and verification by veterinary authority at the point of entry. Random samples will be collected for laboratory testing and DVS has the right to reject, destroy or further detain any consignment when deemed necessary.

6. Contravention of Regulations

Importation in contravention to the above regulations or in the event of an outbreak of epizootic diseases anytime during importation, the Director General of Veterinary Services Malaysia (Director General) shall at his discretion reject or return the consignment to the country of origin or dispose the products in any manner as he may find or impose additional procedures as and deemed necessary.

7. The Right To Amend Import Regulations.

The Director General shall reserve the right to amend the regulations and the fees below or suspend importation at any time, as and when deem necessary.

8. Other Conditions

The processing or packing plant shall be subject to inspection and accreditation by the DVS prior to approval when necessary. All costs incurred shall be borne by the importers.

9. Fees

Each consignment of milk or milk products imported into Malaysia shall be subjected to the following fees -

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| i | Import Permit | : | RM 3.00 per consignment |
| ii | Veterinary Inspection | : | RM 50.00 per consignment |

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