

(Empowered Under Section 8 of Animal Rules,1962)

**REGULATIONS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF HORSES
FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM AND FRANCE INTO MALAYSIA**

- A. Animal : Horses
- B. Country of Export : United Kingdom, Eire, Northern Ireland and France
- C. Purpose : Recreation, Racing, Polo or Hacking
- D. Regulations for importation :

1. Import Licence

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by a valid import licence issued by the Director General of Veterinary Services, Malaysia or the State Director concerned permitting the import of these animals into the State (s) of Malaysia.

2. Description of Animals

The consignment of animal shall be accompanied by a certificate containing a full description or identification of the animals. A full description of the horses, colour, sex, breed, age, shall be included in the health certification.

3. Veterinary Certificate

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by a veterinary health certificate issued by a competent officer of the Government Veterinary Authority of the country of export Certifying that:

- 3.1 The country is free of African horse sickness, Western, Eastern, Venezuelan and St. Louis equine encephalomyelitis
- 3.2 The animals are healthy and free from any infectious or contagious disease at the time of export
- 3.3 The country is free of glanders for at least 12 months and the animal shall be tested with the intradermal palpebral mallein test with negative results. (In the case the country is free from glanders for the last 5 years, the animals need not be tested for glanders)
- 3.4 the animals shall be tested for the following diseases with negative results if the country cannot be declared free of these diseases for a period of one year
 - a. equine infectious anaemia by the immunodiffusion test (Coggin's test);
 - b. contagious equine metritis by bacterial culture;
 - c. trypanosomes by inoculation of whole blood into mice/rats and examined by Giemsa-stained blood smears every alternative day for a period of twenty eight (28) days;
 - d. epizootic lymphangitis by fluorescent antibody technique;
 - e. the above tests shall be done not earlier than one month prior to export.

4. Declaration by Master/Captain of the Ship/Aircraft

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by a certificate from the master/captain of the ship or aircraft in which the animals were carried stating that :-

- 4.1 the interior of the aircraft has been sprayed with an approved insecticide just prior to departure from the airport of the country of origin.
- 4.2 aircraft doors remain closed except as necessary for the servicing of the aircraft. When animal compartments are opened they should be sprayed with insecticide as required to ensure that insects are not present in the animal compartment.
- 4.3 No horse other than that from the country of export should be carried in the aircraft while in transit.

5. Transportation

The consignment of animals shall be carried by ship or aircraft direct to the prescribed landing place or any other port or airport as directed by the Director General of Veterinary Services, Malaysia or the State Director concerned.

The aircraft carrying the animals may only call at Bahrain airport during daylight hours as a transit step over and animals shall not be allowed to leave the aircraft during transit. The master or captain of the aircraft/ship shall be certify the above to Correct.

6. Quarantine in Malaysia

The animals shall be quarantined for a period of not less than two weeks.

**DEPARTMENT OF VETERINARY SERVICES,
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, MALAYSIA
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