

(Empowered Under Section 8 of Animal Rules, 1962)

REGULATIONS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF SHEEP AND GOATS FROM AUSTRALIA INTO MALAYSIA FOR BREEDING PURPOSE

I. Country of Export : Australia

II. Purpose : Breeding

III. Regulations for Importation :

1. Import Permit

The consignment animals shall be accompanied by a valid import permit issued by Malaysian Quarantine and Inspection Services Department (MAQIS) permitting the importation of such animals into the State(s) of Malaysia.

2. Description of Animal

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by a certificate containing a full description or identification of the animals.

3. Identification of Animal

The animal shall be tagged with an ear tag with the property identification code of the property of origin.

4. Veterinary Certification

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by a Veterinary Health Certificate issued by a competent Veterinary Authority of Australia within 7 days of export, certifying that ;

- 4.1. Australia has been free from Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD), rinderpest, peste des petits ruminant, contagious bovine and caprine pleuropneumonia, sheep pox and goats pox, rabies, brucellosis, tuberculosis, enzootic abortion, ovine pulmonary adenomatosis, contagious agalactia, scrapie and BSE for the past twelve (12) months prior to export.
- 4.2. The animals originated from an area or farm that has been free from caprine and ovine brucellosis, leptospirosis, campylobacteriosis, melioidosis, toxoplasmosis, Johne's disease and blue tongue for the past six (6) months prior to export. There has been no case of these diseases occurred or diagnosed on the farm of origin during the preceding 6 months before export.
- 4.3. The animals originated from an establishment or farm, where no case of Hendra virus has occurred during the last six (6) months prior to export.
- 4.4. The animals have been subjected to the following measures prior to export ;
 - 4.4.1. The animal has been tested for *B. ovis* and *B. melitensis* using the CFT or ELISA test, with negative results within one (1) month prior to export.
 - 4.4.2. The animal has been tested for Johne's disease using the CFT or AGID or ELISA test, with negative results within (1) month of prior to export.
 - 4.4.3. The animals have been treated with intramuscular injection of long acting oxytetracycline at a dose rate of 5-10mg/kg body weight within seven (7) days prior to export.

- 4.4.4. The animals have been treated with a broad spectrum anthelmintic and treated free of all ectoparasites including ticks within seven (7) days prior to export.
 - 4.4.5. The animals have been vaccinated against enterotoxemia, black leg and tetanus.
 - 4.4.6. The animals have been clinically examined for CLA, including by palpation and found to be negative.
- 4.5. The animals shall be examined and found to be healthy and free from any sign of infectious or contagious disease at time of export.

5. Transportation and Landing Place

- 5.1. The consignment of animals shall be carried by ship or aircraft direct to the prescribed landing place or any other port or airport in Malaysia.
- 5.2. No other ruminants or swine were permitted on board the ship or aircraft during the time on which the consignment of sheep and goats were carried.
- 5.3. No fodder or animal feeds were taken on board the ship or aircraft at any intermediate port or airport, except the one that originated from Australia for the purpose of feeding the animals. Sufficient fodder should be provided to last until the animals acclimatize to the local feed.

6. Quarantine in Malaysia

- 6.1. The animals shall be subject to quarantine for a period of not less than 10 clear days at the approved quarantine facility.
- 6.2. During the quarantine period, the animals shall be monitored for any evidence of infectious or contagious diseases and laboratory tests as deemed necessary.

7. Other Conditions

Officers of the Department of Veterinary Services Malaysia (DVS) shall inspect the farm/s of origin of the animals in Australia as and when necessary.

8. Suspension of Import

The Director General of Veterinary Services Malaysia or State Veterinary Director may at any time when deem necessary to suspend importations from Australia either temporarily or permanently in the event of disease outbreaks or suspected disease outbreaks in Australia or in case of importation in contravention of the above regulations.

9. Right to Amend Import Regulations

The Director General of Veterinary Services Malaysia shall amend the above regulations as he may deem necessary.

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