

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF CATTLE INTO MALAYSIA

1.0 Type of animal : Cattle

2.0 Purpose : Breeding

3.0 Country of export : Brazil

4.0 Requirements for importation:

4.1 Import Permit

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

4.2 Description of Animal

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

4.3 Identification of Animal

The animals shall be tagged with ear tag for identification and traceability.

4.4 Veterinary Certification

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by an official Veterinary Health Certificate in English dated within seven (7) days of export issued by competent Veterinary Authority of the Brazil certifying that;

4.4.1 The country has been free from foot and mouth disease (with vaccination), rift valley fever, contagious bovine pleuropneumonia and haemorrhagic septicaemia for the past twelve (12) months prior to and till the date of export.

4.4.2 Brazil has been classified by the OIE as a country with negligible bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE).

4.4.3 The animals were kept, for at least thirty (30) days in a quarantine establishment before export.

4.4.4 The animals for export have been kept since birth or for at least the past three (3) months in Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) free zone with or without vaccination.

4.4.5 The animals originated from rabies free zone or have been kept for six (6) month prior to shipment in an establishment where there has been no case of rabies for at least twelve (12) months prior to shipment.

4.4.6 With regard the bovine genital campylobacteriosis, the animals (delete the one does not correspond)

- a) Animals less than six (6) months old or older than six (6) months of age that have never been used for natural mating or are males that have only been mated to virgin; OR

- b) Animals more than six (6) months old and were submitted to three (3) diagnostic tests performed on preputial or vagina mucus material collected at intervals of at least seven (7) days in the quarantine and the result show negative presence of causal agent of bovine genital campylobacteriosis.

4.4.7 The animals come from herds which are recognized as officially free from tuberculosis, or 100% of each consignment was tested using tuberculin test (standard caudal fold injection) during period sixty (60) days before shipment and all positive were excluded from shipment.

4.4.8 The animals have not been vaccinated against brucellosis and they come from herds which are recognized as officially brucellosis free, or 100% of each consignment was tested by the buffered brucella antigen test or CF brucellosis during at quarantine period and all positive results were excluded from shipment.

4.4.9 The animals were kept since birth or for the past twenty-one (21) days in an establishment where no case of vesicular stomatitis was officially reported during the period. The animals were protected from insect vectors in an approved quarantine station for a minimum of twenty-one (21) days prior to export.

4.4.10 The animals were derived from farm/premises where no case infectious bovine rhinotracheitis and bovine viral diarrhoea were reported during the preceding twelve (12) months prior to export and were kept in a quarantine station for the thirty (30) days prior to shipment.

4.4.11 The animals were tested:

- a) Negative serologically for NSP ELISA test against FMD. (*All testing must be done in government laboratory or accredited laboratory*)
- b) Negative for bovine tuberculosis by tuberculin test during the thirty (30) days prior to export.
- c) Negative for bovine brucellosis in a BBAT or CF test during thirty (30) days prior to export.
- d) Negative for campylobacteriosis culture/immunofluorescence.

4.4.12 The animals shall be vaccinated against the following disease not more than one (1) month prior to export:

- a) Brucella with RB51 vaccine
- b) Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis

4.4.13 The animals have been treated with intramuscular injection of long acting oxytetracycline at a dose rate of 20mg/kg body weight within seven (7) days prior to export.

4.4.14 The animals have been treated for all external and internal parasites prior to export.

4.4.15 The animals showed no clinical signs of above diseases and any other infectious or non-infectious diseases on the day of shipment.

5.0 Transportation and Landing Place

- 5.1** The animals shall be transported by disinfected and sealed lorries or trucks directly to the port or airport of embarkation in Brazil for loading into ship or aircraft.
- 5.2** The consignment of animals shall be carried by ship or aircraft to the prescribed landing place (port or airport) in Malaysia.
- 5.3** Only ruminant species that meet Malaysia's import requirement shall be carried on the ship or aircraft during transportation from Brazil.
- 5.4** No other animals is permitted on board the ship or aircraft during call or landing at any intermediate port or airport prior arrival in Malaysia port/airport.
- 5.5** No fodder or animal feeds should be taken on board the ship or aircraft at any intermediate port or airport, except the one that originated from Brazil.
- 5.6** The fodder for bedding shall be fumigated before on board the ship or aircraft.

6.0 Quarantine in Malaysia

- 6.1** Upon arrival, the animals shall be placed in the government quarantine station for a period of not less than 15 clear days where the animals shall be subjected to the following measures;
 - 6.1.1** Vaccinated with trivalent (O, A, Asia 1) foot and mouth disease (FMD) vaccine at day two (2) and day fourteen (14).
 - 6.1.2** Other health test where deemed necessary.

7.0 Other Conditions

Officers of the DVS shall inspect the farm/s of origin of the animals in Brazil as and when deemed necessary.

8.0 Disease outbreak and contravention of regulations

The Director General of Veterinary Services, Malaysia may at anytime when deemed necessary refuse entry of imported animals in the event of disease outbreak during arrival or post arrival quarantine and in the case of importation in contravention of the above regulations.

9.0 Suspension of Import

The Director General of Veterinary Services, Malaysia may at anytime suspend importations from Brazil either temporarily or permanently in the event of disease outbreaks or suspected disease outbreaks in Brazil.

10.0 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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