

REQUIREMENT FOR THE IMPORTATION OF LIVE CATTLE AND BUFFALO INTO MALAYSIA

- 1. Types of animal** : Cattle, buffalo
- 2. Country of Export** : Thailand
- 3. Purpose** : Breeding
- 4. Regulation for Importation** :

4.1. Import Permit

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

4.2. Description of animals

Each individual animal shall be identified by using an ear tag for identification and traceability prior to export

4.3. Veterinary Health Certificate

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by a veterinary health certificate written in English issued by a competent Veterinary Officer of the Department of Livestock Development (DLD), Thailand within 10 days of export, giving detail description of the consignment (age, breed, sex, number of head, animal ID) certifying to the effect that:

- 4.3.1. Thailand is free from Contagious Bovine Pleuropneumonia for the past twelve (12) months prior to and till the date of export. Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy has not been reported in Thailand.
- 4.3.2. The animals were kept since birth, or for the past 60 days in the district where no case of LSD prior to shipment.
- 4.3.3. The animals have vaccinated against LSD according to manufacturer's instructions between 60 days to 1 year prior to shipment.

4.3.4. The animals were demonstrated to have antibodies at least 30 days after LSD vaccination. The laboratory test result for agent identification and antibodies to LSD were accompanied with veterinary health certificate by DLD for shipment to Malaysia.

4.3.5. The animal originated and kept or born in Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) free province for the last 6 months prior to and till the date of export

or

No case of FMD has occurred within 10 km radius of the establishment of origin for at least 3 months prior to movement.

4.3.6. The animals were tested with negative result for NSP for FMD serotype O, A and Asia 1. The laboratory test result for NSP FMDV were accompanied with veterinary health certificate.

4.3.7. The animals have been free from Tuberculosis and were derived from farm which certified to be free from Tuberculosis.

4.3.8. The animals had given a negative reaction to a tuberculin test (caudal fold and CCT) carried out not more than one (1) month immediately prior to export. The laboratory test result for Tuberculosis were accompanied with veterinary health certificate.

4.3.9. The animals were derived from a farm certified by DLD, Thailand to be free from Brucellosis by CFT or ELISA test with negative results not more than one (1) month prior to export. The laboratory test for Brucellosis were accompanied with veterinary health certificate.

4.3.10. The animals have been tested negative with Complement Fixation Test or Elisa or AGID or Johnin not more than one (1) month prior to export.

4.3.11. The animals were clinically free from Leptospirosis caused by Leptospira of the serotypes hardjo, pomona, tarassovi, hyos.

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The animals were tested by the Microscopic Agglutination Test (MAT) for Leptospirosis not more than one (1) month prior to export with titres less than 1/100.

- 4.3.12. The animals have been treated with a registered broad spectrum anthelmintic and treated for external parasites according to the manufacturer's instructions prior to export.
- 4.3.13. The animals were from places with no cases of Haemorrhagic Septicaemia for minimum of 3 months. The animals have been vaccinated against Haemorrhagic Septicaemia (30 days) before export.
- 4.3.14. The animals were from places with no cases of Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis (IBR) and Bovine Viral Diarrhoea (BVD) for at least 6 months prior to export.
- 4.3.15. The animals were from places with no cases of Bovine Venereal Campylobacteriosis and Trichomoniasis;
- Or
- The animals have been tested negative with direct microscopic and cultural examination of preputial specimens within one (1) month prior to export.
- 4.3.16. The animals were from places which a control program of blood parasites is regularly implemented.
- 4.3.17. The animal showed no clinical sign of anthrax on the day of shipment.

4.4. Pre export Quarantine in Thailand

- 4.4.1. All animals destined for export to Malaysia have been kept and observed for 35 days at quarantine facilities accredited by DLD and DLD quarantine station for export to Malaysia.
- i Observed for clinical signs of FMD, LSD and any other infectious disease
 - ii Vaccinated against FMD (P1) with trivalent vaccine O, A and Asia 1 in the quarantine facilities accredited by DLD for export to Malaysia.
 - iii Vaccinated against FMD (P2) with trivalent vaccine O, A and Asia 1 in the quarantine facilities accredited by DLD for export, with 28 days apart from P1
 - iv A competent veterinary officer of DLD has issued a quarantine report for every consignment of animals to be exported into Malaysia.
- 4.4.2. The animals showed no clinical sign of LSD on the day of shipment.

4.4.3. A quarantine report shall be issued prior export by a competent veterinary officer of DLD supervising the approved quarantine centre/farm for every consignment of animals to be exported into Malaysia. The quarantine report shall contain information as of below;

- i Date of entry.
- ii Identification no of animal
- iii Date of vaccination for P1 and P2.
- iv Date of vaccination for LSD
- v Information on treatment (if any).
- vi Date of discharge.
- vii Name and official stamp of Veterinary Medical Doctor in charge.

5. Transportation and Landing

The consignment of animals has been carried by appropriate vehicles direct to the prescribed landing place in Malaysia

6. Arrival in Malaysia

6.1. Upon arrival and inspection at the point of entry, the consignment of animals shall then proceed to Malaysian approved quarantine in the bordering State where the animals are further quarantined and observed.

6.2. Animals that arrived at the entry point shall be accompanied with:

- i Valid veterinary certificate by DLD
- ii Quarantine report by DLD
- iii Permit import issued by MAQIS

7. Booking of quarantine

Importers or importing agents shall book the MAQIS quarantine station or approved quarantine premise by providing the quantity of animals to be imported and the tentative date of import prior importing the animals. Importer shall make commitment to import or import the animals only the quarantine is booked.

8. Quarantine in Malaysia

8.1. Animals shall be quarantine for a period of not less than twenty-eight (28) clear days at Malaysian Quarantine and Inspection Services Departments (MAQIS), Malaysia approved quarantine station and shall subjected to the following test:

- 8.1.1. FMD antibody titer – (VNT)
- 8.1.2. Brucellosis (CFT)

8.2. All animals shall be released on the twenty-nine (29th) day of quarantine if found to be clinically healthy and free from any infectious and contagious disease. The quarantine period may be extended if deemed necessary.

8.3. After the quarantine, the animals shall be moved in sealed vehicles from the quarantine stations to the farm where the animals are to be reared.

9. Suspension of Import

The Director General of Veterinary Services Malaysia may at any time when deemed necessary suspend the importation of live cattle and buffalo from Thailand either temporarily or permanently in the event of disease outbreaks or suspected disease outbreaks or in case of importation in contravention of the above requirements.

10. Right to Amend Import Requirements

The Director General of Veterinary Services Malaysia reserves the right to amend the above requirements at any time as he may deem necessary.

**Department of Veterinary Services Ministry of
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