# REQUIREMENTS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF HORSES INTO MALAYSIA

1.0 Type (s) : Live animals

**2.0 Species :** Horse

**3.0 Purpose** : All purpose

**4.0 Country of Export** : Republic of Korea

5.0 Requirements for Importation:

#### 5.1 Import Permit

The consignment of 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 Malaysia.

## 5.2 Description of Animals

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

## 5.3 Veterinary Health Certificate

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by a veterinary health certificate containing details of horses (breed, sex, colour, markings, passport number, name and address of premise of origin of each horse), issued within seven (7) days of export by Government Veterinary Authority Republic of Korea certifying that;

- 5.3.1 Republic of Korea has been free from African Horse Sickness, Venezuelan, Eastern and Western, St. Louis Equine Encephalomyelitis, Hendra Virus, Glanders, Equine Influenza and Equine Viral Arteritis for the past two (2) years immediately preceding the date of export;
- 5.3.2 In the case of countries not certified to be free from glanders the horses shall be tested for glanders with Complement Fixation Test (CFT) with negative results within 30 days immediately preceding export;
- 5.3.3 In the case of countries not certified free from Venezuelan, Eastern, Western, St. Louis Equine Encephalomyelitis, the horses showed no signs of equine encephalomyelitis on the day of shipment and during the three (3) months prior to shipment;
- 5.3.4 The horses were kept in government approved quarantine station for 21 days prior to shipment. The horses were protected from insect vectors during quarantine and transportation to the place of shipment;
- 5.3.5 No case of strangles has been reported in establishment of origin and approved quarantine station during the last six (6) months prior to export;
- 5.3.6 No case of equine infectious anaemia have been reported to have occurred in the country during the period of one (1) year immediately preceding the date of export and the horse were tested and found negative for

equine infectious anaemia by the immunodiffusion test (Coggin's Test) within one (1) month prior to export;

- 5.3.7 The horses showed no clinical sign of contagious equine metritis (CEM) on the day of export, have had no contact with CEM either directly through coitus with an infected animal or indirectly by passing through an infected establishment and were subjected to the laboratory test for CEM with negative results during the 30 days prior to shipment;
- 5.3.8 The country has been free from Trypanosomes for the past 12 months immediately preceding the date of export; OR each animal was tested for Trypanosoma evansi by enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) or card agglutination test (CATT) with negative results within 30 days of export AND the horse was tested for Trypanosoma equiperdum by the complement fixation test within 15 days of export;
- 5.3.9 The horses were vaccinated against equine Japanese encephalitis using an officially approved vaccine not less than 15 days prior to shipment;
- 5.3.10 The horses were originated from an establishment or farm where no case of the following diseases has occurred during the last 12 months prior to export: Japanese encephalitis, Vesicular stomatitis, Rabies, Scabies, Anthrax, Dourine, Epizootic lymphangitis, Ulcerative lymphangitis, Equine rhinopneumonitis, Leptospirosis, Surra, Nipah or any other disease of equines notifiable in the country:
- 5.3.11 The horses were free from any infectious or contagious diseases at the time of export;
- 5.3.12 The horses have been treated with an approved long-acting broad spectrum parasiticide effective against ticks and a broad spectrum anthelmintic within seven (7) days of export;
- 5.3.13 The horses have been examined within 48 hours prior to export and found to be healthy and free from signs of contagious and infectious diseases and fit for travel.

#### 5.4 Transportation and Landing Place

The consignment of horses shall be transported in clean, disinfected and sealed floats or carried by ship or aircraft direct to the approved port or airport of disembarkation in Malaysia.

#### 5.5 Quarantine in Malaysia

The horses shall be kept in isolation from other animals in the government quarantine station or approved quarantine station or establishment for a period of not less than 14 days for further observation and/or disease investigation.

# 5.6 Suspension of Import

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

## 5.7 Right to Amend Import Requirements

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

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