

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF DAY-OLD CHICKS / HATCHING EGG INTO MALAYSIA**

- A. Type : Day Old Chicks (DOC) / Hatching egg
- B. Species : Chicken
- B. Country of export : Thailand
- C. Purpose : Breeding
- D. Requirements for importation:

### **1. Import Permit**

Each consignment of DOC / Hatching egg shall be accompanied by a valid import permit issued by the Malaysia Quarantine and Inspection Services Department (MAQIS) permitting the importation into Malaysia.

### **2. Veterinary Certification**

Each consignment of DOC / Hatching Egg shall be accompanied by a veterinary health certificate dated within seven (7) days of import. The certificate shall contain a full description or identification of the DOC / Hatching Egg and signed by a competent veterinary officer of the Government Veterinary Authority of the exporting country certifying that;

- 2.1. The country has been continuously free from avian influenza for the past 12 months prior to and till the date of export.
- 2.2. The country or part of the country or state of origin has been continuously free from Newcastle disease and fowl cholera for the past twelve (12) months before and until the date of export.
- 2.3. The farm of origin has been free of fowl cholera, infectious bronchitis, infectious laryngotracheitis, infectious bursal disease, Marek's disease, egg drop syndrome, swollen head syndrome, avian encephalomyelitis, salmonellosis and mycoplasmosis had been diagnosed or occurred in the farm preceding twelve (12) months of export.
- 2.4. The farm of origin is subject to regular microbiological sampling for *Salmonella enteritidis* and *Salmonella typhimurium* under a government-controlled and statutory monitoring scheme and has given negative results in each case during the past 6 months.
- 2.5. The DOC / Hatching Egg was/were derived from the farm which is free from *Salmonella pullorum*, *Salmonella enteritidis*, *Salmonella gallinarum* and *Salmonella typhimurium*.
- 2.6. The DOC / Hatching Egg was/were derived from the farm which is from compartmentalized farms and certified with Good Agricultural Practiced by DLD.
- 2.7. The eggs and incubators used in the hatchery have been fumigated and disinfected prior to incubation.
- 2.8. The DOC was/were hatched in a hatchery registered and under the supervision of the veterinary authority of the country of export and no eggs from any other farm have been hatched in the same incubator at the same time.
- 2.9. The chicks was/were packed direct from the incubator in the hatchery into satisfactory clean and new disposable boxes for export, and had no contact with any bird other than day-old chickss originating from the same hatchery.

2.10. The DOC / Hatching Egg destined for export to Malaysia is not vaccinated with avian influenza vaccine.

2.11. The DOC / Hatching Egg destined for export to Malaysia have been examined by the authorized veterinarian and found to be healthy and free from any clinical sign of infectious or contagious disease at the time of export.

### **3. Transportation and Landing Place**

Each consignment of DOC / Hatching Egg imported into Malaysia shall be carried by ship or aircraft or any vehicle directly to the prescribed landing place in Malaysia.

### **4. Other Conditions**

4.1. The consignment of DOC / Hatching Egg shall be subjected to veterinary inspection by the authorized officer at the point of entry on arrival in Malaysia. In the case if the chicks is not healthy or suspected to be or has been infected with any disease or if any document is not in order, the authorized officer has the right to reject, destroy or further detain any consignment when deemed necessary.

4.2. The DOC / Hatching Egg are subjected to sampling and testing for avian influenza or other diseases if deemed necessary.

4.3. The farm and hatchery may be subjected to inspection by the officials from the Department of Veterinary Services Malaysia as and when deemed required.

### **5. Suspension of Import**

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

### **6. Right to Amend Import Regulations**

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

**Department of Veterinary Services  
Ministry of Agriculture and Agro-Based Industry  
Malaysia.  
(10 June 2024)**