

[Empowered Under Section 8 of Animal Rules, 1962]

CONDITIONS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF GAME / PET BIRDS INTO MALAYSIA

- A. Animal : Any Species of Game / Pet Birds
- B. Country of Export : Any Country
- C. Purpose of Import : Any Purpose
- D. Regulations for Importation :

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.

2. Veterinary Certification

The Veterinary Health Certificate issued by the official Veterinary Officer of the Government Veterinary Authority of the country of export must certify the followings :

- 2.1. The birds were continuously resident in the country of origin since the last 2 months and originated from farm/premise under close supervision and regularly monitored by the Government Veterinary Authority for the last six (6) months preceding export.
- 2.2. During the last 30 days immediately preceding export, at least 10 % of the birds from the flock of origin were tested with a negative result, for the following diseases ;
 - 2.2.1. Newcastle disease by virus isolation or PCR or ELISA or H.I test
 - 2.2.2. Avian influenza by virus isolation or PCR
- 2.3. The birds were not been vaccinated against Newcastle disease, avian influenza and Marek's disease.
- 2.4. There were no clinical or serological evidence of velogenic Newcastle disease, highly pathogenic avian influenza, fowl pox, fowl cholera, pullorum disease, infectious coryza, psittacosis and ornithosis detected on the farm/premise and flock of origin of the birds, or reported within the area of 20 km radius surrounding the farm/premise of origin since the last six (6) months preceding export.
- 2.5. During the last 48 hours immediately preceding export, the birds destined for export to Malaysia were treated with an approved anthelmintic and antibiotic and showed no signs of infectious or contagious diseases.
- 2.6. The container or cage used to transport the birds for export to Malaysia has been disinfected in compliance with sanitary measures adopted by the Government Veterinary Authority. The container or cage is then sealed by the veterinary authority / quarantine officer at the airport or port of embarkation, immediately prior to departure.

3. Transportation and Landing Place

All consignments of game / pet birds destined for export to Malaysia must be transported by aircraft or vessel direct from the airport or port of embarkation in the country of export to the prescribed landing place (airport or port) of disembarkation in Malaysia.

4. Quarantine in Malaysia

- 4.1. All game / pet birds imported into Malaysia will be subjected to quarantine for a period of minimum 7 days in an approved facility or premise.

- 4.2. During the quarantine period, the birds will be inspected from time to time and may be subjected to certain laboratory health tests as deemed required.
- 4.3. In the case if any of the bird showed signs of infectious or contagious diseases, the competent authority reserves the right to either destroy the whole birds in the consignment/flock or to further detained the birds under quarantine for another maximum 30 more days.

5. Other Conditions

An approval shall be obtain from the Director General of the Department of Wildlife Conservation and National Parks Malaysia as may be required under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), prior to issuance of the import permit.

6. Suspension of Import

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

7. Right to Amend Import Regulations

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

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