

REGULATIONS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF SLAUGHTER CATTLE AND BUFFALO FROM THAILAND INTO MALAYSIA

Country of Export : Thailand
Purpose : Slaughter

1.0 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.

2.0 Animal Identification

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

3.0 Veterinary Certification

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 7 days of export, giving detailed description of the consignment (age, breed, sex, number of head, animal ID) certifying to the effect that :

- 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.
- 3.2 The cattle originated and kept or born in Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) free province for the past 6 months prior to and till the date of export. No case of FMD has occurred within 10 km radius of the establishment of origin for at least 3 months prior to movement.
- 3.3 The animals have been free from Tuberculosis and were derived from farm which certified to free from Tuberculosis.
- 3.4 The animal were derived from farm which certified to be free from Brucellosis
- 3.5 Animal shall be test for Brucellosis by RBT and should be found negative
- 3.6 The animals were not suffering or had not suffered and were derived from herd and farm which regularly monitored by DLD and have been clinically free from Johne's disease for 5 years till the date of export.
- 3.7 The animal were derived from a farm certified by DLD, Thailand to be free from Leptospirosis caused by *leptospira* of the serotypes *hardjo*, *pomona*, *tarassovi* hyos. **OR** For the animals that are below 12 months of age and have been vaccinated against *leptospira* serotype *hardjo*, *pomona*, *tarassovi* (hyos), such animals need not to be blood tested.
- 3.8 The animals have been deticked for all external parasites within 7 or 12 days prior to export.
- 3.9 The animals were treated with an approved broad spectrum anthelmintic and parasiticide for both internal and external parasite within 7 days prior to export.

3.10 The animals have been treated once with oxytetracycline at 20 mg/kg live weight ten (10) days prior to export.

4.0 Pre-export quarantine in Thailand

4.1 All animals destined for export to Malaysia shall be kept and observed for 21 days at a collection centres/holding yards which has been inspected and approved by Department of Veterinary Services, Malaysia (DVS), Malaysian Quarantine and Inspection Services Department (MAQIS) and Department of Livestock Development (DLD), Thailand.

4.2 During the 21 days period, the animals shall be:

4.2.1 Observed for clinical signs of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) and any other infectious disease

4.2.2 Vaccinated against FMD with trivalent vaccine O, A and Asia 1 (P1 and P2)

4.3 After the 21 days, the animals for export shall be quarantined for another 10 days prior export at animal quarantine station inspected and approved Department of Veterinary Services, Malaysia (DVS), Malaysian Quarantine and Inspection Services Department (MAQIS) and Department of Livestock Development (DLD), Thailand.

4.4 During the 10 days quarantine period at the approved quarantine station, the animals shall be:

4.4.1 Observed for clinical signs of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) and any other infectious disease

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.

5.0 Transportation and Landing Place

The consignment of animals shall be carried by appropriate vehicles direct to the prescribed landing place in Malaysia. Upon arrival and inspection at the point of entry, the consignment of animals shall then proceed to MAQIS approved quarantine station for quarantine.

6.0 Arrival in Malaysia

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

7.0 Quarantine in Malaysia

7.1 All animals shall be quarantine for a period of not less than 14 clear days at the Malaysian Quarantine and Inspection Services Departments (MAQIS), Malaysia approved quarantine station.

7.2 All animals shall be released on the day 15th of quarantine if found to be clinically healthy and free from any infectious or contagious disease. The quarantine period may be extended if deemed necessary.

7.3 After the quarantine, the animals shall be moved in sealed vehicles from the quarantine stations to the slaughterhouse/farm(s) where the animals are to be slaughtered/reared for feedlotting.

8.0 Booking of quarantine

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

9.0 Suspension of Import

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

10.0 Right to amend Import Protocol

The Director General of Veterinary Services shall amend the above regulation at anytime as he may deem necessary.

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