

REGULATIONS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF BREEDER/DAIRY CATTLE AND BUFFALO FROM THAILAND INTO MALAYSIA

Country of Export : Thailand
Purpose : Breeding/Dairy

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 were derived from Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) free province for the past 6 months prior to and till the date of export and that the animals were born or kept in these provinces for at least 6 months. FMD has not occurred within 10 km radius of the establishment of origin for at least 3 months prior to movement.
- 3.3 The animals had given a negative reaction to a tuberculin test carried out not more than one (1) month immediately prior to export.
- 3.4 The animals were not suffering or had not suffered from Johne's disease (Bovine Paratuberculosis) and they had not been in contact with any animal known to be suffering from such diseases and derived from farm free from Johne's disease for the past five (5) years till the date of export;

AND

The animals were tested negative with Complement Fixation Test or ELISA or AGID or Johnin (skin allergy test) not more than one (1) month prior to export.

- 3.5 The animals 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.

AND

All animals were vaccinated with RB51 prior to export except for pregnant animals.

- 3.6 The animal derived from a farm certified by DLD, Thailand to be free from Leptospirosis caused by *leptospira* of the serotypes *hardjo*, *pomona*, *tarassovi* (hyos).

AND

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

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.

- 3.7 The animals were derived from a farm certified free from Bovine Venereal Campylobacteriosis and Trichomoniasis;

AND

The bulls have been tested negative with direct microscopic and cultural examination of preputial specimens within one (1) month prior to export.

- 3.8 The animals were derived from a herd officially free from Enzootic Bovine Leukosis;

AND

The animals showed negative response to ELISA for the disease during the thirty (30) days prior to export.

- 3.9 The animals showed no clinical signs of vesicular stomatitis at the time of export and were kept and protected from insect vectors in a quarantine station for a minimum of twenty one (21) days prior to export;

AND

The animals came from a herd officially free from vesicular stomatitis and showed negative response to complement fixation test (CFT) for the disease during the thirty (30) days prior to export.

- 3.10 The animals have been vaccinated against Babesiosis and Anaplasmosis within one (1) month prior to export.

- 3.11 The animals were treated with an approved broad spectrum anthelmintic and parasiticide for both internal and external parasite within 7 days prior to export and are free from both internal and external parasite.

- 3.12 The animals have been treated once with oxytetracycline at 20 mg/kg live weight or dihydrostreptomycin at 25 mg/kg live weight for 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 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 by 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 Quarantine in Malaysia

- 6.1 All animals shall be quarantine for a period of not less than 10 clear days at the Malaysian Quarantine and Inspection Services Departments (MAQIS), Malaysia approved quarantine station and shall be subjected to the following test:
 - 6.1.2 FMD antibody titer (Test: Liquid Phase Blocking ELISA-LPBE)
 - 6.1.3 Brucellosis (Test: Complement Fixation Test-CFT)
 - 6.1.4 Tuberculosis (Test: Caudal Fold Test)
- 6.2 All animals shall be released on the day 11th 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.
- 6.3 After the quarantine, the animals shall be moved in sealed vehicles from the quarantine stations to the farm(s) where the animals are to be reared.

7.0 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.

8.0 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.

9.0 Right to amend Import Regulations

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

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