

REGULATIONS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF HORSES FROM FRANCE INTO MALAYSIA

- A. Animal : Horses
- B. Country of Export : France
- C. Purpose : Recreation, Racing, Polo or Hacking
- D. Regulations for importation :

1. Import Permit

The consignment 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 the State(s) of Malaysia.

2. Description of Animals

The consignment of animal shall be accompanied by a certificate containing a full description or identification of the animals. A full description of the horses, colour, sex, breed, age, shall be included in the health certification.

3. Veterinary Certification

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by a veterinary health certificate issued by a competent officer of the Government Veterinary Authority of the country of export Certifying that:

- 3.1. The country is free of African horse sickness, Western, Eastern, Venezuelan and St. Louis equine encephalomyelitis.
- 3.2. The animals are healthy and free from any infectious or contagious disease at the time of export.
- 3.3. The country is free of glanders for at least 12 months and the animal shall be tested with the intradermal palpebral mallein test with negative results. (In the case the country is free from glanders for the last 5 years, the animals need not be tested for glanders).
- 3.4. The animals shall be tested for the following diseases with negative results if the country cannot be declared free of these diseases for a period of one year :
 - 3.4.1. equine infectious anaemia by the immunodiffusion test (Coggin's test);
 - 3.4.2. contagious equine metritis by bacterial culture;
 - 3.4.3. trypanosomes by inoculation of whole blood into mice/rats and examined by Giemsa stained blood smears every alternative day for a period of twenty eight (28) days;
 - 3.4.4. epizootic lymphangitis by fluorescent antibody technique;

The above tests shall be done not earlier than one month prior to export.

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. Quarantine in Malaysia

The horse 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 fourteen (14) days for further observation and/or disease investigation.

6. Suspension of Import

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

7. Right to Amend Import Regulations

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

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