

## **REGULATIONS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF GOAT AND SHEEP SEMEN FROM INDIA INTO MALAYSIA**

- A. Animal Species : Goat and Sheep
- B. Product : Semen (Frozen or chilled)
- C. Exporting Countries : India
- D. Regulations for importation :

### **1. Import Permit**

The consignment of semen 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. Identification**

- 2.1. The identification of the donor and the date of semen collection must be shown in the veterinary health certificate accompanying the semen.
- 2.2. All ampules and straws must be permanently marked with the identification of donor and date of semen collection.

### **3. Veterinary Certification**

The consignment of semen shall be accompanied by an official Veterinary Health Certificate in English dated within seven (7) days of export issued by the competent Veterinary Authority of exporting country certifying that ;

- 3.1. The country or zone or province has been free from foot and mouth disease, anthrax, bluetongue, rabies, brucellosis and tuberculosis for the past twelve (12) months prior to and till the date of export.
- 3.2. The Artificial Insemination Centre is located in the zone or province that has certified by the Veterinary Authority free from contagious caprine pleuropneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, sheep pox and goat pox.
- 3.3. The semen is derived from animals which had been kept in the Artificial Insemination Centre for at least six (6) months prior to the date of collection.
- 3.4. No case of contagious caprine pleuropneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, sheep pox and goat pox and any other infectious or contagious disease have been reported in the Artificial Insemination Centre for the past twelve (12) months prior to and till the date of export.
- 3.5. The donor buck or ram were not vaccinated against peste des petits ruminants and sheep pox and goat pox.
- 3.6. The donor buck or ram were subjected to the following tests with negative results :
  - 3.6.1. Tuberculosis (for goat) by tuberculin tests within 6 months prior to collection.
  - 3.6.2. Caprine and ovine brucellosis (melitensis and ovis) by complement fixation test (CFT) within 30 days prior to collection.
  - 3.6.3. Maedi-visna (sheep) and Caprine Arthritis / Encephalitis (goat) by agar gel immunodiffusion (AGID) or ELISA test within 30 days prior to collection.

- 3.6.4. Peste des petits ruminants by ELISA test within 21 days prior to collection.
  - 3.6.5. Bluetongue by agar gel immunodiffusion (AGID) test within 30 days prior to collection. If positive, the animals were subjected to virus isolation or PCR test with negative result.
  - 3.6.6. Leptospirosis by microscopic agglutination test (MAT) within 30 days prior to collection.
  - 3.6.7. Campylobacteriosis and trichomoniasis by preputial culture within 30 days prior to collection.
- 3.7. The donor buck or ram has not show clinical sign of any infectious or contagious disease on the day of semen collection and for the following 21 days.
  - 3.8. All semen in the consignment was collected, processed, identified, stored and transported in accordance with the current approved practice of the Government Veterinary Authority.
  - 3.9. Only new or sterilised containers and fresh nitrogen not previously used for any other purpose were used for the storage of the semen. The semen was stored at an approved centre since the end of the collection until export.

#### **4. Other Conditions**

The Artificial Insemination Centre shall be subjected to inspection by the Department of Veterinary Services Malaysia at any time as and when deemed necessary.

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

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

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

The Director General of Veterinary Services, Malaysia shall amend the above regulations as he may deem necessary.

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