

REGULATIONS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF GOATS OR SHEEP FOR PURPOSE OF BREEDING FROM THAILAND INTO MALAYSIA Empowered Under Section 8 of Animal Rules, 1962

1. Import licence

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by a valid import licence issued by the Director General of Veterinary Services, Malaysia or the State Director concerned permitting the importation such of animals into the State(s) of Malaysia.

2. Description of Animal

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by a certificate containing a full description or identification of the animals.

3. Veterinary Certification

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by a veterinary health certificate issued by a competent veterinary authority of Thailand (DLD) certifying that :

- 3.1 the animals originated from foot and mouth disease free zone.
- 3.2 the animals have been vaccinated with trivalent FMD vaccine (O1, A22 and Asia I) at the accredited farms where they have been confined and observed for 21 days and identified before they are taken to an approved quarantine stations at Southern Thailand.
- 3.3 the animals are free from any infectious or contagious disease at the time of export.
- 3.4 the specified part or region of the country from which the animals were originated has been free from rinderpest, foot and mouth disease and peste de petits ruminant for the past twelve (12) month prior to export.
- 3.5 during the five (5) years immediately preceding export there had been no case of contagious caprine pleuropneumonia, pulmonary adenomatosis and foot rot on the farm on which the animals were reared and that they had not been in contact with any animal know to be suffering from such disease.
- 3.6 the animals came from areas or zones in which animals disease including brucellosis, Johne's disease, tuberculosis, contagious caprine pleuropneumonia and toxoplasmosis were under control.
- 3.7 the animals were originated from farm(s) where there has been no clinical evidence of brucellosis (Br. abortus and Br. malentesis) for the preceding six (6) months prior to export, and that they were tested with complement fixation test for brucellosis within one (1) month of export, the ram were tested by complement fixation test for brucella ovis infection with negative results not more than one(1) month prior to export.
- 3.8 the animals were not suffering or had not suffered from Johne's disease and that they had not been in contact with any animal know to be suffering from such disease. The farm from which they are derived had been free from Johne's disease for the preceding five (5) years and that the animals were tested with complement fixation test or by a skin allergy test with johnin or avian tuberculin test not more than one (1) month prior to export and found to be negative to the test.

3.9 the animals came from farm(s) certified free of venereal campylobacteriosis and in the case of rams subjected to direct microscopic and cultural examination of preputial specimens for campylobacter fetus and campylobacter jejuni and found to be negative within one (1) month prior to export.

3.10 the animals came from farm(s) with no clinical evidence of leptospirosis in the preceding six (6) months prior to export and that each animal was treated with intramuscular injection of dihydrostreptomycin sulphate at the dose rate of 20mg/kg within seven (7) days of export.

3.11 the animals came from farm(s) with no clinical evidence of melioidosis in the preceding six (6) months prior export and were tested with serum agglutination test for melioidosis with negative results.

3.12 the animals came from farm(s) with no diagnosed case of tuberculosis and blue tongue in the preceding six (6) months prior the export.

3.13 the animals came from farm(s) with no diagnosed case of campylobacteriosis in the preceding three (3) years prior to export.

3.14 the animals were subjected to agar gel precipitation test for caseous lymphadenitis within one (1) month prior to export and found to be negative to the test.

3.15 the animals have been deticked and treated free of all internal and external parasites prior to export.

3.16 the animals have been treated with a broad spectrum anthelmintic and dihydrostreptomycin at dosage of 20 mg/kg liveweight within seven (7) days of export.

4. Transportation

The consignment of animals shall be carried by ship, aircraft, trains or trucks direct to the prescribed landing place or any other port or airport as directed by the Director General of Veterinary Services, Malaysia or the State Director concerned.

5. Quarantine in Malaysia

Upon arrival in Malaysia, the animals shall be quarantined for a period of not less than 10 clear days at the approved quarantine station(s). The first day being counted after the last animal has been admitted; all the animals shall be released on the 11th day.

The animals released from the quarantine stations shall be moved in sealed wagons or sealed lorries to the approved farms/destination under the veterinary supervision.

6. Fee

The following fees are payable, for each consignment of sheep/goats imported into Malaysia :-

- (i) Import licence : RM 3 per head
- (ii) Quarantine fee : RM 2 per head
- (iii) Quarantine certificate : RM 1 per head

7. Approval for Importation

7.1 All applications for importation must first be made to the Director General of Veterinary Services, Malaysia.

7.2 An Import licence must then be obtained from the State Director of Veterinary Services supervising the quarantine stations (Perlis, Kedah, Kelantan or Selangor) for every consignment of animals to be imported.

8. Control in Thailand

From the accredited farm, all animals destined for export to Malaysia shall be held at an approved quarantine stations in Southern Thailand for further 72 hours (3 days) prior to loading the ship, aircraft, trains or lorries.

9. Landing Places in Malaysia

The consignment of animals should proceed to Padang Besar, Bukit Kayu Hitam, Rantau Panjang or Kelang Quarantine Stations where the animals are further quarantined and observed for another 10 days.

10. Importing Agents

If the import is mediated through agents then all the agents must be registered with the office of the Director General of Veterinary Services, Malaysia.

11. Schedule of Importation

All importers or importing agents shall inform the State Director of Veterinary Services (Perlis Kedah, Kelantan or Selangor) supervising the quarantine stations the number of animals to be imported, date of import and shall follow the schedule of importation issued by the State Director concerned. This is to avoid overcrowding of quarantine facilities.