

REGULATIONS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF POULTRY OR BIRD CARCASSES, PRODUCTS OR PARTS THEREOF INTO MALAYSIA

1 Import Licence

Each consignment of poultry or bird carcasses, products or parts thereof shall be accompanied by a valid import licence issued by the Department of Veterinary Services Malaysia permitting the importation into Malaysia.

2 Veterinary Certification

Each consignment of poultry or bird carcasses, products or parts thereof shall be accompanied by the following certificates dated within thirty (30) days of import:-

2.1 Veterinary Health Certificate signed or endorsed by a competent veterinary officer of the Government Veterinary Authority of the country of export certifying that :

- (i) the country or part of country or state of origin has been free from velogenic Newcastle disease, and highly pathogenic avian influenza for the past twelve (12) months prior to and till the date of export;
- (ii) the poultry or birds were derived from an accredited farm in which no case of infectious or contagious disease notifiable in the country of export has been diagnosed for the preceding six (6) months prior to the date of export;
- (iii) the poultry or birds were slaughtered and processed in the processing plant that has been inspected and approved for export by the Malaysian Authority (the name, address and establishment number of the plant must be clearly stated in the certificate).

2.2 Meat Inspection Certificate signed or endorsed by a competent meat inspector of the Government Veterinary Authority of the country of export certifying that :

- (i) the carcasses, products or parts thereof were derived from poultry or birds that have been

subjected to ante-mortem and post-mortem inspection and were found to be healthy and free from any clinical sign of infectious or contagious disease at the time of slaughter;

(ii) the carcasses, products or parts thereof were processed, packed and stored under sanitary condition and do not contain any preservative, coloring matter, residue or any foreign substance or harmful material injurious to health and that every precaution had been taken to prevent contamination during processing, packing, storing and handling prior to export;

(iii) the carcasses, products or parts thereof are wholesome and fit for human consumption.

2.3 Halal Certificate signed or endorsed by a competent personnel of the registered Islamic Organisation in the country of export certifying that :

(i) all poultry or birds have been slaughtered according to Muslim rites (Islamic law) and that the carcasses, products or parts thereof are fit for Muslim consumption;

(ii) all slaughtering, processing, chilling, freezing, packaging, storage, transportation and all other acts in connection with the handling and shipment of the halal poultry or bird carcasses, products or part thereof had been done separately from the other species of animals.

3 Accreditation of Processing Plants and Islamic Organisation in the Country of Export

All poultry or bird carcasses, products or parts thereof destined for export to Malaysia shall only be derived from an approved processing plant that has been inspected and accredited by the Malaysian Authority

Halal certificate must be issued by the registered Islamic Organisation that has been accredited by Malaysian Authority

4 **Transportation**

Each consignment of poultry or bird carcasses, products or parts thereof imported into Malaysia shall be carried by ship, aircraft or any vehicle direct to the prescribed landing place in Malaysia.

5 Surrender of Official Documents in Malaysia

Upon arrival in Malaysia, all official documents required under each importation shall be surrendered for verification to the Director General of Veterinary Services (DGVS) or State Director of Veterinary Services Malaysia or to any authorized officer assigned by DGVS.

6 Other Conditions

6.1 All applications for importation of poultry or bird carcasses, products or parts thereof into Malaysia shall be made by writing direct to the Director General of Veterinary Services Malaysia. All importation must be through the local agent or a Malaysian registered company;

6.2 The Department of Veterinary Services (DVS) Malaysia has the right to seek any document or additional detail information from the parties concerned. In the event that the applicants (importer or exporter) fail to comply with or unable to provide any of the above requirements, the DVS reserves the right to reject or not to approve the application;

6.3 The processing plant shall be subjected to inspection prior to approval. The inspection will be carried out by officials from the Department of Veterinary Services and the Islamic Affairs Department Malaysia and all costs incurred shall be borne by the parties concerned;

6.4 The approved processing plant may be subjected to re-inspection (review) by the respective authorities for every 2 years as and when deemed necessary. The Malaysian Government has the right to either retain or withdraw the approval status from the plant concerned;

6.5 Each consignment of poultry or bird carcasses, products or parts thereof imported into Malaysia shall be subjected to veterinary inspection by the authorized officer(s) of the Department of Veterinary Services (DVS) Malaysia at the port of disembarkation / point of entry on arrival in

Malaysia. Random samples will then be collected for laboratory testing and DVS has the right to reject, destroy or further detain any consignment when deemed required.

7 Fees

Each consignment of poultry or bird carcasses, products or parts thereof imported into Malaysia shall be subjected to the following fees :-

(i) Import Licence : RM 6.00 per
50.8023 kg

(ii) Veterinary Inspection : RM 50.00 per
consignment

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