

# **REGULATIONS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF CATTLE FROM ANY COUNTRY 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 of such 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 the country of export certifying that:

- 3.1 the animals were clinically healthy and free from any infectious or contagious disease at the time of export and that the country or part of country or area of origin has been free from rinderpest, contagious bovine pleuropneumonia and foot and mouth disease for the past 12 months prior to and till the day of export.
- 3.2 the animals had given a negative reaction to a tuberculin test carried out not more than one (1) month immediately preceding export.
- 3.3 the animals were not suffering or had not suffered from Johne's disease and that they had not been in contact with any animal known to be suffering from such disease and 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 by a skin allergy test with johnin or an avian tuberculin test, complement fixation test or direct faecal smear method not more than one (1) month prior to export and found to be negative to the test.
- 3.4 the animals came from a farm certified by the Government Veterinary Authority to be free from brucellosis and that all animals, with the exception of female certified by a veterinary surgeon to have been vaccinated with live strain 19 Brucella abortus vaccine between the ages of 3 to 6 months and are below 18 months of age at the time of export, should be blood tested by the complement fixation test with negative results not more than one (1) month prior to export.
- 3.5 the animal came from a farm certified by a Government Veterinary Authority to be free from leptospirosis caused by leptospira of the serotypes hardjo, pomona, tarassovi (hyos) and that blood from the animals was tested by the microscopic agglutination test for leptospirosis not more than one (1) month prior to export with titres less than 1/100;

Provided that should any animal come from a farm not so certified such animal's blood shall have been submitted to two consecutive tests at an interval of two to three weeks between the two tests, with the second test result being not more than four times the titre

of the first test and that the second and last test shall have been carried out immediately prior to export;

Provided further that if the animals are below 12 months of age and have vaccinated against *Leptospira* serotype hardjo, pomona, tarassovi (hyos), such animals need not to be blood tested.

3.6 the animals came from farm(s) certified by the Government Veterinary Authority to be free from bovine venereal campylobacteriosis and trichomoniasis, and in the case of bulls subjected to direct microscopic and cultural examinations of preputial specimens and found to be negative within one (1) month prior to export.

3.7 the animals have been vaccinated against babesiosis and anaplasmosis within one (1) month prior to export and further that these animals are free from ticks.

3.8 the animals showed no clinical signs of vesicular stomatitis at the time of export and were kept and protected from insect vectors in an approved 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 for the disease during the thirty (30) days prior to export.

3.9 the animals showed no clinical signs of enzootic bovine leukosis at the time of export; and that the animals came from a herd officially free from enzootic bovine leukosis and showed negative response to the serological tests for the disease during the thirty (30) days prior to export.

3.10 the animals have been deticked and are treated with a broad spectrum anthelmintic and dihydrostreptomycin at dosage of 25 mg/kg liveweight within seven (7) days of export.

#### **4. Declaration by Master/Captain of the Ship/Aircraft**

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by a certificate from the master/captain of the ship or aircraft in which the animals were carried stating that:-

4.1 no ruminants or swine other than the approved consignment from the country of origin were taken on board the ship or aircraft after it left that country.

4.2 no fodder or animal feed was taken on board the ship or air craft at any intermediate port or airport after it left that country. The fodder or bedding before being taken on board the ship or aircraft has been fumigated and the fumigation shall be approved and certified by the Quarantine Officer or any authorized Veterinary Officer of the Government of the country of export.

#### **5. Transportation**

The consignment of animals shall be carried by ship or aircraft 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.

#### **6. Quarantine in Malaysia**

Upon arrival in Malaysia, all animals from the consignment shall be directed to the approved quarantine station or farm, and shall there remained for a minimum period of ten (10) clear days

for quarantine purposes. The animals during quarantine will be subjected to clinical examinations and laboratory tests as and when deemed required by the Quarantine Officer incharge or by any competent Veterinary Officer of the Department of Veterinary Services, Malaysia.

## **7. Fee**

The following fees are payable for each consignment of cattle imported into Malaysia :-

- (i) Import licence : RM 5 per head
- (ii) Quarantine fee : RM 4 per head
- (iii) Quarantine certificate : RM 2 per head