



**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF HORSES AND OTHER EQUINES**  
**(EXCLUDING ZEBRAS)**  
**INTO THE KINGDOM OF THAILAND**

- 1) **A health certificate** in English, signed by a full-time authorized veterinary official of the Government of the exporting country, stating:
  - 1.1) number and species of the animals;
  - 1.2) breed, sex, age and color;
  - 1.3) animal identification;
  - 1.4) name and address of the owner/exporter and address of the quarantine premise of origin;
  - 1.5) the quarantine period (30 days) before export, including the first date and the last date of the quarantine;
  - 1.6) additional information (country of origin and resident duration) is required if the country of origin of the animal is not officially AHS-free by WOAHP as indicated in item (4);
  - 1.7) import notification number issued by Department of Livestock Development (DLD);
  - 1.8) certification of the condition items (3) to (18).
- 2) **Stud-book, silhouette** or other **pedigree certificate** shall accompany the animals on arrival.
- 3) The animals must come from an area where animal diseases are under control. They must be healthy, free from signs of any infectious and contagious diseases including ectoparasitism, at the time of export, and fit to travel.
- 4) The country of origin has been free from African Horse Sickness and officially recognized by World Organisation for Animal health (WOAH). In case the country of origin of the animal is not officially AHS-free by WOAHP, the animal must be resident in WOAHP officially AHS-free countries at least 40 days before entering quarantine premises. Information to prove this condition is also required.
- 5) The country or zone of origin has been free from Equine Encephalomyelitis (Eastern, Western, and Venezuelan Encephalomyelitis), Borna Disease, Japanese Encephalitis, Hendra Virus, West Nile Virus, Nipah Virus, Vesicular Stomatitis, Dourine and Epizootic Lymphangitis.

- 6) The animals must originate from the premises accommodated the animals, where no clinical signs or other evidence of Anthrax, Equine Infectious Anemia, Equine Viral Arteritis, Equine Rhinopneumonitis, Equine Coital Exanthema, Rabies, Equine Influenza, Equine Herpes Virus (abortion and neurological disease), Trypanosomiasis (*T. evansi*), Glanders, Melioidosis, Strangle, Equine Paratyphoid (*S. abortus equi* infection), Equine Piroplasmosis, Contagious Equine Metritis (CEM), Epizootic Lymphangitis, Mange and Horse Pox has been found during the past 12 (twelve) months prior to export.
- 7) During the 2 (two) years prior to export, no clinical signs or other evidence of all diseases as mentioned in the condition item (6) has been found on any premises accommodated animals.
- 8) During the 12 (twelve) months prior to export no clinical signs or other evidence of Anthrax, Equine Infectious Anemia, Equine Viral Arteritis, Equine Rhinopneumonitis, Equine Coital Exanthema, Rabies, Equine Influenza, Equine Herpes Virus (abortion and neurological disease), Trypanosomiasis (*T. evansi*), Glanders, Melioidosis, Strangle, Equine Paratyphoid (*S. abortus equi* infection), Equine Piroplasmosis, Contagious Equine Metritis (CEM), Epizootic Lymphangitis, Mange and Horse Pox has been found at any quarantine premises where the animals have been resident.
- 9) On examination by an authorized veterinary official, the animals must show no evidence of obvious genetic defects such as pigeon-toed, undershot jaw, etc.
- 10) All animals to be exported to Thailand are subjected to quarantine in the approved premises under the control of a duly authorized veterinary official of the government of the exporting country during the 30 (thirty) days prior to export. The first day of the quarantine period starts when the last animal enters the quarantine premises.
- 11) Each individual animal must be submitted to test with negative results using test methods recommended by WOAH. The tests must be carried out during the 30 (thirty) days prior to export for the following diseases:
  - 11.1) Equine Infectious Anemia tested by Agar Gel Immunodiffusion (AGID) or Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay (ELISA) or Immunoblot
  - 11.2) Equine Viral Arteritis tested by Virus neutralization or Virus isolation or Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)
  - 11.3) Contagious Equine Metritis tested by Real-time PCR or Bacterial Isolation and identification
  - 11.4) Glanders tested by Complement Fixation Test (CFT) or PCR
  - 11.5) Equine Piroplasmosis tested by PCR
  - 11.6) Dourine tested by CFT or PCR

11.7) Equine Trypanosomiasis (*T. evansi*) tested by PCR or Woo's technique or Indirect-Fluorescent Antibody Test (IFAT) or ELISA

11.8) Equine Rhinopneumonitis (Equine herpesvirus type 1 and Equine herpesvirus type 4) tested by Quantitative PCR or Virus Isolation

11.9) Other diseases according to the incidence of the country of origin or the exporting country

Note: The report of the test result is valid within 30 days from the date of sample collection.

12) The animals must be treated with an approved broad-spectrum anthelmintic and an external parasite shortly prior to export.

13) During the quarantine and transportation, all animals must be protected from any insects.

14) The vehicles and containers used for transporting the export animals must be thoroughly cleaned, disinfected, and vacated prior to loading which is compliant with the relevant criteria laid down in WOAHP Terrestrial Animal Health Code.

15) The accommodation provided for the animals during shipping must be designed to avoid any risk of injury and unnecessary suffering which is compliant with the relevant criteria laid down in WOAHP Terrestrial Animal Health Code.

16) The ship, aircraft or other vehicles carrying the animals may only call at approved intermediate ports after leaving the country of origin. While in transit, the animals must not come into contact with other animals that do not have similar health status. Unloading or movement of the horses may only take place under the approval and supervision of a veterinary authority of the transit country.

17) Horses and/or equids from another country are not allowed to be taken on board the same ship, aircraft or other vehicles as the export animals after they leave the exporting country, unless those horses and/or equids meet the health requirements of the Department of Livestock Development, Thailand.

18) No animal feeds or fodders from another country are allowed to be taken on board the same ship, aircraft or other vehicles after they leave the exporting country. Appropriate amounts of animal feeds or fodders may be provided to the animals during transportation from the exporting country to Thailand. Upon arrival at the port of entry, all leftover animal feeds or fodders must be destroyed without any compensation.

19) The animals are subjected to quarantine at approved premises for a period of not less than 30 (thirty) days upon arrival, during which they shall be submitted to tests and/or treatments deemed necessary. The importer/owner shall be fully charged for the incurred expenses.

20) The following documents must be submitted via email to the port of entry no later than 7 days before exporting. The original health certificate must be attached along with the animals:

20.1 The draft of the health certificate.

20.2 The copy of laboratory results from approved laboratories.

20.3 The vaccine record, if applicable.

20.4 The proof of an approved broad-spectrum anthelmintic and external parasite treatment prior to export.

**Note:** The required documents must be approved and endorsed by the exporting country.

21) Failure to follow the import procedures may result in returning the animals to the country of origin or destroying the animals without compensation.

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