

Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Wildlife Animals

(In case of any discrepancy between the English version and the Chinese text of these Requirements, the Chinese text shall govern.)

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1. Before importation of wildlife animals, it is required to apply from the animal quarantine authority of this country for issuance of quarantine requirements and the wildlife animals to be imported shall be in compliance with this Requirements. For the importation of the individual species of wildlife animals specifically regulated by other Quarantine Requirements or Rules, those Quarantine Requirements or Rules shall be complied with, instead of this Requirements.

2. The following wildlife animals are prohibited from importation:
 - (1) Artiodactyl animals coming from a country (zone) where has been recognized by the central competent authority of this country as a country (zone) infected with foot and mouth disease, rinderpest, contagious bovine pleuropneumonia and African swine fever.
 - (2) Perissodactyl animals coming from a country (zone) where has been recognized by the central competent authority of this country as a country (zone) infected with glanders.
 - (3) Elephant coming from a country (zone) where has been recognized by the central competent authority of this country as a country (zone) infected with foot and mouth disease.
 - (4) Animals which are susceptible to a designated disease coming from a country (zone) where has been recognized by the central competent authority, by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) or confirmed from other international information sources as a country (zone) of the said disease.

If wildlife animals from countries or zones free of the said diseases designated in the above paragraph are transshipped through seaports or airports in countries or

zones where have been recognized by the central competent authority of this country as a country (zone) infected with the said diseases, they shall be deemed as originating from infected countries or zones and shall therefore be prohibited from importation.

No bats are allowed to be imported except that is permitted by the central competent authority of this country for research purpose.

3. The importation of wildlife animals shall be complied with this Requirements. The animal quarantine authority of this country may conduct import risk analysis according to the world animal epidemiology situation and the species of wildlife animals to be imported, then designate the diagnostic tests for specific diseases and other concerned quarantine requirements. The animal quarantine authority of this country may send inspectors to the exporting country to conduct on-site inspection to verify the specific diseases epidemiology and animal disease prevention and quarantine system of the exporting country if necessary. The expense shall be born by the exporting country.
4. For the importation of the individual species of wildlife animals regulated by the Article 24 of Wildlife Conservation Act and Guidelines Governing Review of Applications for Permission to Export or Import Live Wildlife, it is required to acquire the valid import permission issued by the competent authority of this country.
5. To import the wildlife animals, the following requirements shall be complied with:
 - (1)The wildlife animals shall be raised for 1 year prior to export or after birth in the farms, which are under the supervision and regular inspection (including microbiological and parasitological tests and necropsies) by the animal quarantine authority of the exporting country. The farms shall be complied

with:

- i. Tuberculosis has not occurred for the past 2 years.
- ii. Rabies has not occurred in the previous year.

(2) Rabies-susceptible wildlife animals, such as Carnivores, shall have been vaccinated with inactivated vaccines against rabies prior to export in accordance with the follows:

i. The following vaccination programs shall be complied with for animals are from a country (zone) where has been recognized by the central competent authority of this country as a country (zone) infected with rabies.

(i) In the case of the primary vaccination, the animals shall have been vaccinated twice at an interval of 1 month to 2 month. The first vaccination shall be done at the age of at least 3 months old. The period between the date of second vaccination and the date of shipment shall be not less than 180 days and not more than 1 year.

(ii) In the case of the booster vaccination, the animals shall have been vaccinated at least twice in the past 2 years and at the age of at least 3 months old. The last vaccination and the prior one shall be done at an interval of 7 months to 1 year. The last vaccination shall be done not more than 1 year prior to shipment.

(iii) If any incompliance is found in primary or booster rabies vaccination, the period of post-entry quarantine shall be extended to 180 days.

ii. The following vaccination programs shall be complied with for animals from a country (zone) where has been recognized by the central competent authority of this country as a country (zone) free from rabies.

(i) The animals shall have been vaccinated at least once and at the age of at least 3 months old. The period between the date of last vaccination and the date of shipment shall be not less than 30 days and not more than 1 year.

(ii) If any incompliance is found in rabies vaccination, the wildlife animals shall be detained at the designated post-entry quarantine premise and be

vaccinated against rabies on the third day since entry. The period of post-entry quarantine shall be at least 30 days since the date of this post-entry vaccination. If the wildlife animals are younger than 3 months old, they shall be detained at the designated post-entry quarantine premise and be vaccinated at the age of at least 3 months old. The period of post-entry quarantine shall be at least 30 days since the date of this post-entry vaccination.

- (3) The wildlife animals shall be detained for pre-export quarantine in an approved isolated quarantine premises under the supervision of the animal quarantine authority of the exporting country for at least 30 days prior to shipment. During the pre-export quarantine, the wildlife animals shall be inspected and found free from clinical evidence of any communicable disease and subjected to the following tests and treatments:
- i. The wildlife animals shall be subjected to the following parasites tests with negative results:
 - (i) Blood parasites: blood smear examination.
 - (ii) Internal parasites: twice fecal examinations at a minimum of 7 days apart by using both the direct wet smear and the floatation concentration method.
 - ii. The wildlife animals shall be treated against parasites in accordance with the follows:
 - (i) They shall be treated for internal parasites twice at a minimum of 14 days apart with the compound of broad-spectrum efficacy.
 - (ii) They shall be treated for external parasites with broad-spectrum parasiticides within 72 hours prior to shipment.
- (4) The diagnostic tests for designated diseases and other concerned quarantine requirements that the animal quarantine authority of this country designates according to the Article 3 of this Requirements shall be conducted and met.

6. The imported wildlife animals shall be accompanied by an original veterinary

certificate issued by the animal quarantine authority of the exporting country and the certificate shall state the following detailed information in English:

(1) Species of wildlife animals and origin:

- i. Species of wildlife animals: scientific name and common name.
- ii. Quantity.
- iii. Sex, age or birthday, and microchip number.
- iv. Exporting country.
- v. Competent authority of the exporting country.
- vi. State or province of the farm of origin.
- vii. Name and address of the farm of origin.
- viii. Name and address of the exporter or the exporting company.

(2) Destination:

- i. Country of destination.
- ii. Name and address of the importer or the importing company.

(3) Results of quarantine inspection:

- i. Dates of pre-export quarantine detention, dates of sample collections, name of the test laboratory, and methods, dates, and results of the tests.
- ii. Attesting that the wildlife animals in the present consignment are in conformity with Article 5 of the Requirements.
- iii. Attesting that name of medicine, doses, and the dates of internal and external parasites treatments.

(4) For the rabies-susceptible wildlife animals, such as of Carnivores, the records of rabies vaccination within 2 years prior to shipment shall be stated.

(5) Date, place and authority of issuance of the veterinary certificate, official stamp, and the name and signature of the veterinary officer.

7. The wildlife animals shall be transported with clean containers and vehicles disinfected with disinfectant approved by the exporting country. No feed, fodder, bedding or other animals shall be supplementary loaded during the transportation. The transportation and transition shall be pursuant to Terrestrial Animal Health

Code of OIE and regulations of International Air Transport Association (IATA).