

(Empowered Under Section 8 & 9 of The Veterinary Public Health Ordinance, 1999)

**REGULATIONS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF CATTLE
FROM AUSTRALIA INTO SARAWAK, MALAYSIA
(Effective from 10th April 2019)**

- A. Animal : Cattle
B. Country of export : Australia
C. Purpose : Breeding

D. Regulation for Importation

1. Import Licence

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by a valid import licence issued by the State Veterinary Authority, Department of Veterinary Services Sarawak, concerned permitting the importation of such animals into the State of Sarawak, Malaysia.

2. Consignment of Animal

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

3. Identification of Animal

Each animal shall be ear tagged with proper numbering and identification as to its origin.

4. Veterinary Certification

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by a Veterinary Health Certificate issued by a competent Veterinary Authority of Australia within 7 (seven) days of prior to export certifying that:-

4.1 The country must be certified free from:-

- (a) *Foot and Mouth Disease*
- (b) *Contagious Bovine Pleuropneumonia*
- (c) *Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy*
- (d) *Peste des petits ruminants*
- (e) *Rabies*

4.2 Animals must be derived from either farms or areas or districts or state which has no clinical cases of the following diseases for the last six (6) months: -

- (a) *Brucellosis (B.abortus)*
- (b) *Bluetongue*
- (c) *Anthrax*
- (d) *Q Fever*

- (e) *Aujeskys'*
- (g) *Haemorrhagic Septicaemia*
- (i) *Bovine Genital Camphylobacteriosis*
- (f) *Bovine Tuberculosis*

4.3 Within thirty (30) days of export, the animals must be negative on serological testings for:

- (a) *Brucellosis (CFT & SAT)*
- (b) *Johne's Disease*

4.4 The tests stated in 4.3 above can be waived if the Government Veterinary Authority can certify that the animals are clinically free of the diseases and came from State or areas or farms that are clinically free from the diseases.

5. The following treatment shall be conducted on all animals within 7 (seven) days prior to export:

5.1 Dipping with approved acaride and treatment with an approved broad spectrum anthelmintics or a single treatment effective against internal and external parasites.

6. Transportation and Landing Place

6.1 The consignment of animals shall be carried by ship or on an aircraft direct to the prescribed landing place as directed by the State Veterinary Authority of Sarawak.

6.2 No other ruminants or swine are permitted on board the ship or aircraft during the time on which the consignment of sheep or goats are being carried.

6.3 No fodder or animal feeds shall be taken on board the ship or aircraft at any intermediate airport, except the one originated from Australia for the purpose of feeding the animals. Sufficient fodder should be provided on board the aircraft.

7. Inspection at the Point of Entry in Sarawak

7.1 All official documents on import shall to be surrender to Port Health/Quarantine Officer in-charge for veterinary inspection upon arrival at designated port of disembarkation in Sarawak, Malaysia.

7.2 Clearance of animals in the consignment at the point of entry is subject to approval from the Port Health/Quarantie Officer in-charge based on the veterinary inspection. All animals shall be tansported direct to approved quarantine station under veterinary supervision.

8. Quarantine in Sarawak

On arrival the animals shall proceed to undergo quarantine at the Bako Large Animal Quarantine Station or to an approved quarantine facility for period of not more than ten (10) days and feeding of animals whilst in quarantine is to be borne by the owner of the animals.

9. Inspection in Sarawak

The State Veterinary Authority or his representative may inspect the animals and farm or farms of origin in Australia as and when deemed necessary.

10. Suspension of Import

The State Veterinary Authority, may at any time when deem necessary suspend the importation from Australia in the event of disease outbreaks or suspected disease outbreaks in Australia or in contravention of the above import conditions and regulations.

11. Right to Amend Import Regulations

The State Veterinary Authority reserves the right to amend the above regulations and the fees as when deemed necessary.

12. Fees

The following fees are payable for each consignment of cattle imported into the State of Sarawak, Malaysia.

12.1 Import Licence : RM5.00 per head

13. Advance Notice of Arrival of Animal

Advance notice of the expected time of arrival should be made known to the State Veterinary Authority, Kuching at telephone no.: **082-628255/628250** or fax.: **082-629628**.

**State Veterinary Authority
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Sarawak, Malaysia**