

**REGULATIONS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF COOKED OR HEAT-PROCESSED POULTRY PRODUCTS FROM WEST MALAYSIA INTO THE STATE OF SARAWAK, MALAYSIA
(Effective from 10th January 2013)**

- A. Products : Cooked and Heat-processed poultry products
B. Country of export : West Malaysia
C. Purpose : For Human Consumption
D. Regulation for Importation:-

1. Import Permit

Each consignment of heat-processed poultry products or parts thereof shall be accompanied by a valid import licence by the State Veterinary Authority, Department of Agriculture, Sarawak permitting into Sarawak, Malaysia.

2. The processing plants must be accredited under Veterinary Health Mark accreditation programme

3. The Establishment number and Name of the processing plants must be clearly stamped on every carton.

4. Packaging and Labelling

The individual packing must bear the following:-

- (a) Establishment Number, Name and Address of processing plants or manufacturer.
- (b) Name and address of Importer
- (c) Veterinary Health Mark (VHM) Logo
- (d) Date of Packing and Best Before

5. Certification

Each consignment of cooked and heat-processed poultry products shall be accompanied by the following certificates dated within thirty (30) days of import:-

5.1 Halal Certificate issued by Jabatan Agama Islam Negeri certifying that the products are halal and fit for human consumption.

5.2 Veterinary Health Certificate signed by competent veterinary officer of the Department of Veterinary Services, Malaysia certifying that:-

- (i) the products were derived from farms in which no case of infectious or contagious disease notifiable in the country of export has been diagnosed for the preceeding six (6) months prior to the date of export;
- (ii) the cooked and heat-processed poultry products were derived from animals 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;
- (iii) the cooked and heat-processed poultry products were processed, packed and stored under sanitary condition and do not contain any preservative or colouring matter not permitted under the Food Act, 1983 and Regulation, 1985 and residue or any foreign substance or harmful material injurious to health and that every precaution has been taken to prevent contamination during processing, packing, storing and handling prior to export;
- (iv) the products have been subjected to a heat treatment process to reach minimum core temperatures of the products as follow:

- (a) 70°C for minimum of 30 minutes or
- (b) 75°C for minimum of 5 minutes or
- (c) 80°C for minimum of 1 minutes or
- (d) 170°C for minimum of 30 seconds.

(vi) the cooked and heat-processed poultry products are wholesome and fit for human consumption.

6. Meat Safety and Quality

All meat must be acceptable quality and meet microbiological standards of Food Act, 1983 and Regulation, 1985 and free from pathogens such as *Salmonella spp.*, *Campylobacter jejuni*, *Listeria monocytogenes*, *Yersinia enterocolitica* and other harmful contaminants and residues.

6.1 For cooked meat products ready for consumption, excluding meat and meat products in hermetically sealed containers, the microbiological limits as stated below should be negative for *Salmonella spp.*, *Campylobacter jejuni*, *Listeria monocytogenes*, *Yersinia enterocolitica*:-

Food & Food Products	Types of Tests	Microbiological Standard	Criteria Used
Meat & Mutton Products	Coliform	< 50 MPN/gm	Food Act 1983 / Food Regulations 1985
	E. coli	< 3 MPN/gm	
	Staph. aureus	< 3 MPN/gm	

7. Testing on arrival

The consignment may be subjected to sampling and testing on declaration.

8. Transportation

Each consignment of heat-processed poultry products or parts imported into Sarawak, Malaysia shall be carried by ship, aircraft or any vehicle direct to the prescribed landing place in Sarawak, Malaysia.

9. Surrender of Official Documents in Malaysia

Upon arrival in Sarawak, Malaysia all official documents required under each importation shall be surrendered for verification to the State Veterinary Authority, Sarawak or any authorized by State Veterinary Authority, Sarawak

10. Fee

Each consignment of said products or part thereof imported into Sarawak, Malaysia shall be subjected to the following fees:-

Import Licence : RM10 per permit

11. Amendments

The State Veterinary Authority reserves the right to amend or revise further rules and regulations pertaining to the import of said products into Sarawak, if there are changes in Sarawak's import policy, or for any reason, as and when deemed necessary.

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