

This conditions refers to Import Permit No. SVA.HQ/

**REGULATIONS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF DOGS AND CATS FROM COUNTRIES THAT ARE WITH RABIES CONTROLLED OR INFECTED INTO SARAWAK, MALAYSIA  
(Effective from 25<sup>th</sup> March 2019)**

- A. Animal : Dogs and Cats
- B. Country of export : Rabies infected country or Rabies under-controlled country
- C. Purpose : Any purpose

**D. REGULATION FOR IMPORTATION**

**1. Import Licence**

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by a valid import permit issued by the State Veterinary Authority Sarawak permitting the import of such animals into Sarawak, Malaysia.

**2. Animal Identification and Vaccination Certificate**

- a. Animal must be of age three (3) months and above;
- b. Dogs and cats must be identified by a microchip that can be read by Trovanâ, Destronâ or other ISO compatible reader.
- c. The health certificate, certification on rabies, vaccination and test (if any), and related other document must bear the identification microchip number that has been implanted.
- d. The core vaccination certificate must also bears the details (name of veterinarian, name and address of veterinary practice.
- e. **The animal(s) must not be pregnant.**

**3. Veterinary Health Certification**

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by the following documents:

- (i) Veterinary Health Certificate issued by competent Government Veterinary Officer of the country of origin certifying:
  - (a) that the animals have been examined within the seven days immediately and found to be free from rabies infection and any clinical sign of infections or contagious diseases of dogs or cats.
  - (b) the animal had been vaccinated against Rabies with killed anti rabies vaccine.

**4. Quarantine in Sarawak, Malaysia.**

Upon arrival the animal(s) will be placed in quarantine and may be subject to tests for diseases and antibody status. If the last Rabies vaccination with killed vaccine is done less than twelve (12) months but more than six (6) months before export and Rabies antibodies

titre is less than 0.5 iu/ml, a quarantine period of thirty (30) days will be imposed. A quarantine period of six (6) calendar months will be imposed if the Rabies antibody titre is unknown.

**5. Breeds of dogs not allowed to be imported into Sarawak.**

- (a) American Pit Bull
- (b) American Staffordshire Terrier
- (c) Staffordshire Terrier
- (d) American Bulldog
- (e) Japanese Tosa (Tosa-Inu, Tosa-Ken)
- (f) Atika Inu (Japanese Akita, Akita, Great Japanese Dog)
- (g) Neopolitan Mastiff
- (h) Fila Brasileiro
- (i) Dogo Argentino
- (j) Russo-European Laika
- (k) Owtcharka
- (l) Canary Dog
- (m) Tibetan Mastiff
- (n) Kai Dog

**6. Fee and cost of testing**

The following fee is payable for each consignment of dogs and cats imported into Malaysia: -

Import Licence	:	RM5 per head
Quarantine Fee	:	RM3 for dog RM1.50 for cat

Costs related to testing for Rabies titre if so required will be borne by the owner.

**7. Failure to comply with any of the above conditions will result in the animal(s) being detained on arrival and placed under quarantine or re-export at the importer expense.**

**8. Amendments**

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

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