

Amendment of Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Animals and Animal Products

Article 2

The following animals are prohibited from importation:

- (1) Bats.
- (2) Artiodactyl animals coming from a country (zone) where has been recognized as a country (zone) infected with foot and mouth disease, rinderpest, contagious bovine pleuropneumonia or African swine fever.
- (3) Elephants coming from a country (zone) where has been recognized as a country (zone) infected with foot and mouth disease.
- (4) Perissodactyl animals coming from a country (zone) where has been recognized as a country (zone) infected with glanders.
- (5) Birds coming from a country (zone) where has been recognized as a country (zone) infected with highly pathogenic avian influenza.
- (6) Bovine coming from a country (zone) where has been recognized as a country (zone) infected with bovine spongiform encephalopathy.
- (7) Susceptible animal of a designated epizootic disease coming from a country (zone) where has been recognized by the central competent authority (CCA), by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) or confirmed from other international information sources as a country (zone) of the said disease.

Animals described under the first paragraph shall be allowed to be imported into this country only for research purpose with import permits issued by the CCA.

If animals from countries or zones free of the diseases described under the first paragraph are transshipped through seaports or airports in countries or zones where any of the said diseases is known to occur, they shall be deemed as originating from infected countries or zones and shall therefore be prohibited from importation.

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Amendment of Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of sheep and goats

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

1. Sheep and goats shall be imported only from countries or zones recognized by the Council of Agriculture as free from foot and mouth disease, rinderpest, contagious bovine pleuropneumonia, and African swine fever.
- 2 The sheep and goats shall originate from farms where have been in compliance with the requirements of scrapie free establishment of World Animal Health Organization (OIE) Terrestrial Animal Health Code for at least seven years, brucellosis, sheep pox, goat pox, mange, tuberculosis, paratuberculosis (Johne's disease), bluetongue, and hemorrhagic septicemia have not occurred in the previous year and contagious pustular dermatitis, enzootic abortion of sheep, melioidosis, Maedi-visna, pseudo-rinderpest, leptospirosis, sheep genital campylobacteriosis and Listeriosis have not occurred during the past 6 months. In addition, the sheep and goats shall be inspected and found free from clinical evidence of any communicable disease during the pre-export quarantine period prior to shipment.
3. The sheep and goats shall originate from states or zones where vesicular stomatitis has not occurred in the previous year.
4. The sheep and goats shall be detained for pre-export quarantine in an approved isolated quarantine premises under the supervision of the animal quarantine authorities of the exporting country for 14 days prior to shipment. During the pre-exporting quarantine, the animals shall be subject to the following tests with negative results. The intradermal tuberculin test for tuberculosis shall be carried out within 60-90 days prior to shipment and the test interval between the said test and the previous one shall exceed 60 days.
 - (1) Foot and mouth disease: serum neutralization test.
 - (2) Tuberculosis: intradermal tuberculin test.
 - (3) Paratuberculosis (Johne's disease): complement fixation test.
 - (4) Bluetongue: complement fixation test and agar-gel immunodiffusion test.
 - (5) Brucellosis: tube agglutination test with the result of serum agglutination titer under 50 I.U.
 - (6) Leptospirosis: agglutination-lysis test for *Leptospira canicola*, *Leptospira pomona*, *Leptospira icterohaemorrhagiae*; otherwise the sheep and goats should be injected with streptomycin (25 mg/kg) twice at an interval of 14 days with the second injection given 2 days prior to shipment.
 - (7) Vesicular stomatitis: serum neutralization test.
 - (8) Other diseases and diagnostic tests provisionally designated.

The diagnostic tests described above may be exempted for the countries where, according to the report of the OIE or the relevant epidemiological information, have been free from the above diseases for more than 5 years.

5. The sheep and goats shall not be vaccinated against foot and mouth disease, rinderpest, or with any other vaccine that has not been approved.
6. The sheep and goats shall be transported with clean container and vehicles disinfected with officially approved disinfectant. In addition, the sheep and goats shall not be transshipped through countries or zones where foot and mouth disease, rinderpest, contagious bovine pleuropneumonia or African swine fever is known to occur. No supplementary feed, fodder or beddings shall be supplied or other animals be loaded during the transportation.
7. To import sheep and goats, an original veterinary certificate issued by the animal quarantine authorities of the exporting country should be provided. The certificate should include dates of quarantine detention, dates of sample collections, test methods, dates of tests, test results, and the relevant information designated in Articles 1 to 5 of this requirement.