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IR2021-10/16. Health Requirement For Import Registered Horse and Horse For Breeding and Production into I.R.IRAN

I. The horse should meet the following requirements:

- (a) Coming *from* a country where the following diseases are compulsorily notifiable: African horse sickness, dourine, glanders, equine encephalomyelitis (of all types including VEE), infectious anemia, vesicular stomatitis, rabies, anthrax;
- (b) Has been examined on the last working day before embarkation and shows no clinical sign of disease;
- (c) Is not intended for slaughter under a national program of infectious or contagious disease eradication;
- (d) During the three months immediately preceding the exportation (or since birth if the animal is less than three months old) it has been resident on holdings under veterinary supervision in the country of dispatch and 30 days prior to dispatch in an pre-export isolation center apart from equidae not of equivalent health status;
- (e) Coming from the territory or from a define zone of the territory of a country in which:
 - (i) Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis has not occurred during the last two years;
 - (ii) dourine has not occurred during the last six months;
 - (iii) glanders has not occurred during the last six months;
 - (iv) either vesicular stomatitis has not occurred during the last six months or the animal was tested on a sample of blood taken within 21 days of export , by a virus neutralization test for vesicular stomatitis with negative result at a dilution of 1 in 12 .

- (v) in the case of an uncastrated male animal older than 180 days, either equine viral arteritis has not been officially recorded during the last six months or the animal was tested on a blood sample taken within 21 days of export by virus neutralization test for equine viral arteritis with negative result at a dilution of 1 in 4 or an aliquot of its entire semen taken within 21 days of export was tested by virus isolation test for equine viral arteritis with negative result or the



animal was vaccinated against equine viral arteritis under official veterinary supervision with a vaccine approved by the competent authority, according to the following programme for initial vaccination and has been re-vaccinated at regular intervals .

(f) Does not come from the territory or from a define zone of the territory of a country considered, in accordance with the OIE animal health code 12.1 , as infected with African horse sickness either it was not vaccinated against African horse sickness or it was vaccinated against African horse sickness.

(g) Does not come from a holding which was subject to prohibition for animal health reasons nor had contact with equidae from a holding which was subject to prohibition for animal health reasons:

(i) during six months in the case of equine encephalomyelitis, beginning on the date on which the equidae suffering from the disease are slaughtered;

(ii) in the case of infectious anaemia, until the date on which the infected animals having been slaughtered, the remaining animals have shown a negative reaction to two Coggins tests carried out three months apart;

(iii) during six months in the case of vesicular stomatitis;

(iv) during one month from the last recorded case, in the case of rabies;

(v) during 15 days from the last recorded case, in the case of anthrax.

If all animals of species susceptible to the disease located on the holding have been slaughtered and the premises disinfected, the period of prohibition shall be 30 days, beginning on the day on which the animal were destroyed and the premises disinfected, except in the case of anthrax, where the period of prohibition is 15 days;

(h) Shows no clinical signs of contagious equine metritis (CEM) and it does not come from a holding where there has been any suspicion of CEM during the past two months nor had contact indirectly or directly through coitus with equidae infected or suspected in CEM;

(i) Has not been in contact with equidae suffering from an infectious or contagious disease in the 15 days prior to this declaration;

(j) Was subjected to the following blood tests:



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- a Coggins test for infectious anaemia , this being within 30 days of export, with negative result.
- a complement fixation test for dourine, this being within 21 days of export, with negative result at a dilution of 1 in 10 .
- a complement fixation test for glanders, this being within 21 days of export, with negative result at a dilution of 1 in 10 .
- a competitive ELISA test for African horse sickness as described in the OIE manual either
 - (i) on one occasion, carried out on a sample of blood taken within 10 days of export with negative reaction, if it has not been vaccinated or
 - (ii) on two occasions, carried out on samples of blood taken with an interval of between 21 and 30 days and, the second of which must have been taken within to days of export without increase in antibody count, if it has been vaccinated .
- (k) Either it was not vaccinated against Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis or it was vaccinated this being at least six months prior to pre-export isolation .
- (l) Either it was vaccinated against western and eastern equine encephalomyelitis with inactivated vaccine or Japanese encephalitis this being within six months and at least 30 days of export (WEE and EEE vaccination or testing requirements apply to Canada and the United States of America; Japanese encephalitis vaccination applies to Hong Kong, Japan, Republic of Korea, Macau, Malaysia (peninsula), Singapore, Thailand) Or
Was subjected to haemagglutination inhibition tests to western and eastern equine encephalomyelitis on two occasions, carried out on samples of blood taken with an interval of 21 days and , the second of which must have taken within 10 days of export either with negative reactions, if it has not been vaccinated, or without increase in antibody count, if it has been vaccinated more than six months ago .
- (m) Was not vaccinated against West Nile Virus or it was vaccinated against West Nile Virus with an inactivated vaccine on at least two occasions at an interval of between 21 to 32 days, the last vaccination carried Out not later than 30 days prior to dispatch .

II. A written declaration signed by the owner or the representative should be issued , stating that:
— the horse will be Sent directly from the premises of dispatch to the premises of destination



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without coming into contact with other equine animals not of the same health status accompanied by such a certificate, in a vehicle cleansed and disinfected in advance with a disinfectant officially recognized in the country of dispatch, The transportation will be effected in such a way that health and wellbeing of the animal can be protected effectively.

— the conditions of point I (d) are fulfilled.

III. The Veterinary health certificate should be valid for 10 days. In the case of transport by ship the time will be prolonged by the time of the voyage.

IV. Laboratory tests required in accordance with the conditions in this IHR must be carried out by a laboratory approved by the competent authority of the country of destination. The test results, certified by the laboratory, have to be attached to the animal health certificate accompanying the animal

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