

Veterinary Health Certificate for International Racehorses from the Listed Countries to Japan**Exporting Country:****Veterinary Authority:****CERTIFICATION**

This is to certify that the animals described herein have been inspected and/or tested for the diseases specified, and conform to the current veterinary requirements of the importing country.

Consignor:**Consignee:****Type of Admission:****Returning Horse****OR****Temporary Admission****Identification of the horse:**

Tattoo Number/ Microchip Number/ Other Features for Identification	Name	Breed	Age	Sex	Color

Certification Statements:

1. During 60 days* immediately before shipment to Japan, the international racehorse meets following requirements:
 - a. The horse has been resident only in the Listed Countries.
 - b. Listed Countries have been free from African horse sickness and Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis for at least 2 years.
 - c. The horse has been stabled at a premises under veterinary supervision which has been free from the following diseases for at least 60 days* immediately before shipment to Japan, and the horse has not shown clinical signs of the following diseases:
 - i. Anthrax, Epizootic lymphangitis, Equine infectious anemia, Equine influenza, Equine encephalitis (Eastern and Western equine encephalomyelitis, Japanese encephalitis), Equine morbillivirus pneumonia (Hendra virus infection), Equine paratyphoid, Equine piroplasmosis, Equine rhinopneumonitis, Surra, Trypanosomoses, Equine viral arteritis, Glanders, Horse pox, Nipah virus infection, Rabies and Vesicular stomatitis
 - d. The horse has not been resident in horse breeding premises and has not been used for natural mating or artificial insemination.
2. The international racehorse meets one of the following requirements (line out as appropriate):
 - a. The international racehorse must be tested in the Listed Countries for the following diseases using the required testing methods with negative results within 30 days immediately before shipment to Japan. If the horse has not stayed in Test Countries for any disease within 60 days* prior to export to Japan, the test(s) can be omitted.
 - i. Equine infectious anemia
 - ii. Equine piroplasmosis
 - iii. Equine viral arteritis

OR

 - b. The international racehorse must be tested in the Listed Countries for the following diseases using the required testing methods with negative results within 60 days immediately before shipment to Japan. After the tests the horse cannot have any contact with horses other than those with the same health status (having the same tests, with negative results, within 60 days immediately before export to Japan), except during training and racing which are supervised by animal health authority of the country or a veterinarian accredited by animal health authority of the country. If the horse has not stayed in Test Countries for any disease within 60 days* before export to Japan, the test(s) can be omitted.
 - i. Equine infectious anemia
 - ii. Equine piroplasmosis
 - iii. Equine viral arteritis

OR

 - c. In the case of the returning racehorse which has stayed in the Listed Countries for 14 days or less under the following conditions, the tests can be replaced by the certification of the following conditions:
 - i. During the stay in the Listed Countries, the returning racehorse has been stabled in insect-vector-protected facilities approved by animal health authority of the country and has been treated with an insect repellent per the manufacturer's recommendations.
 - ii. During the stay in the Listed Countries, the returning racehorse has had no contact with any horses other than those of the same health status, except during training and racing under official supervision or supervision by a veterinarian accredited by animal health authority of the country.
 - iii. The returning racehorse showed no signs of the diseases listed above in 1c(i) during the stay.
3. In the case the international racehorse has stayed in Test Countries for the following diseases within 60 days* before export to Japan, the horse must be tested for the diseases, listed below, using the required testing methods with negative results obtained within 30 days prior to shipment to a Listed Country that is not a Test Country for those diseases. Same applies when the horse is directly exported to Japan from Test Countries.
 - i. Surra
 - ii. Trypanosomoses
 - iii. Glanders
 - iv. Nipah virus infection
4. In the case the international racehorse has stayed in Test Countries for Vesicular stomatitis within 60 days* before export to Japan, the horse must be tested for Vesicular stomatitis by a serum neutralization test with negative results within 14 days immediately prior to shipment to Japan or prior to export to Listed Countries which are not Test Countries for Vesicular stomatitis.
5. Equine influenza:
 - a. The returning racehorse must be vaccinated against Equine influenza twice at an interval of 4 to 6 weeks (or once in the case of booster) within 6 months immediately prior to shipment to Japan.

OR

- b. The exported racehorse must be vaccinated against Equine influenza in accordance with the recommendations of a manufacturer with a vaccine approved by the government of the Listed Countries between 21 and 90 days before shipment to Japan either with a primary course or a booster.

AND

- c. During 5 days prior to the shipment to Japan, a nasopharyngeal swab must be taken from the international racehorse and tested as negative for Equine influenza using a RT-PCR or antigen ELISA.

6. West Nile Virus (line out as appropriate):

- a. The international racehorse has been stabled in premises for at least 14 days, or for the entire duration of their stay (if less than 14 days), where no cases of West Nile Virus (WNV) infection were confirmed within a 50 kilometer radius around the premises for 60 days prior to shipment to Japan.

OR

- b. The international racehorses were vaccinated against WNV in accordance with the recommendations of a manufacturer with a vaccine approved by the government of the Listed Countries within 1 year prior to shipment to Japan.

7. During the transportation of the international racehorse from Listed Countries to Japan and transportation between Listed Countries within 60 days* before shipment to Japan:

- a. All containers, land vehicles, and loading places of a ship or an aircraft being used are fully cleaned and disinfected previously with disinfectants approved by the government authorities of the Listed Countries.
- b. The international racehorses must not be loaded together with any equine or cloven-hoofed animal, except the horses participating in the international horserace and of the same health status.
- c. Additional feed and/or litter cannot be provided at any anchorage sites during the transportation of the international racehorses.

8. In the case the international racehorse has stayed in several Listed Countries within 60 days* prior to export to Japan, all certificates or certified copies issued by each Listed Country must be attached to the exporting country's certificate.

9. Required stabling and testing information:

Name and address of the premises (or racing stable) where the international racehorse is usually stabled in home country:

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Countries, period of stay (including import and export dates) in each country where the international racehorse has stayed within 60 days* immediately before shipment to Japan.

Country	Period

Name and address of all premises where the international racehorse has stayed in 60 days* immediately before shipment to Japan:

Name	Address

10. Required tests based on the horse's residency in the Listed Countries:

<u>Disease</u>	<u>Date of Sampling and Date of Test</u>	<u>Test Type</u> <u>(line out as appropriate)</u>	<u>Result(s)</u>
Equine Infectious Anemia		AGID	
Equine Piroplasmiasis		IFA <u>OR</u> cELISA	
Equine Viral Arteritis		Serum Neutralization <u>OR</u> Real-time RT-PCR using nasopharyngeal swab	
Surra (infection with <i>Trypanosoma evansi</i>)		Giemsa-stained blood smear <u>AND</u> either ELISA <u>OR</u> IFA <u>OR</u> Card agglutination test <u>OR</u> PCR	
Trypanosomiasis (infection with <i>Trypanosoma brucei</i> , <i>T. congolense</i> and <i>T. vivax</i>)		Giemsa-stained blood smear <u>AND</u> either ELISA <u>OR</u> IFA <u>OR</u> PCR	
Glanders		Complement fixation test <u>OR</u> ELISA	
Nipah virus infection		ELISA <u>OR</u> Serum neutralization	
Vesicular Stomatitis		Serum Neutralization	
Equine Influenza		Nasopharyngeal swab RT-PCR <u>OR</u> Nasopharyngeal swab antigen ELISA	

11. Required vaccinations based on the horse's residency in the Listed Countries:

<u>Disease</u>	<u>Vaccine Requirements (line out as appropriate)</u>	<u>Date(s) of Vaccination</u>	<u>Kind/Type of Vaccine (line out as appropriate)</u>	<u>Product Name with Serial/Lot number</u>
Equine Influenza (5a)	Twice at an interval of 4 to 6 weeks (or once in the case of booster) within 6 months			
Equine Influenza (5b)	Within 21 – 90 days prior to export with either a primary or booster			
West Nile Virus	Within 1 year prior to shipment to Japan			
<u>Other Vaccines:</u> (Strike out if not applicable)				

Additional information:

Name of Veterinarian

Signature of Veterinarian

Date of Issue

Official Stamp

DEFINITIONS:

- **Listed Countries**- Those countries in which the racehorse stays and include ONLY Canada, France, Germany, Hong Kong(*), Ireland, Italy, Kingdom of Bahrain (**), Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (***), Qatar (****), Singapore, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, Republic of Korea, and United States of America.
 - (*) Temporary residency in the equine disease-free zone in Conghua City, China (Conghua Training Centre) is approved.
 - (**) The Bahrain International Airport and the Rashid Equestrian and Horseracing Club in the Kingdom of Bahrain only.
 - (***) The King Khalid International Airport and King Abdul Aziz Racecourse in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia only.
 - (****) For the horses exported to Qatar, they may only stay in the Listed Countries except for the Kingdom of Bahrain and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
- **Test Countries**- Those countries where testing for the following diseases must be conducted **using the noted testing method(s)**:
 - o **Equine piroplasmiasis**: Canada, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Kingdom of Bahrain, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Singapore, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, Republic of Korea, United States of America
 - Testing Method: IFA or cELISA
 - o **Equine infectious anemia**: Canada, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Kingdom of Bahrain, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Singapore, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, Republic of Korea, United States of America
 - Testing Method: AGID
 - o **Surra**: Kingdom of Bahrain, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Qatar, United Arab Emirates
 - Testing Method: Giemsa-stained blood smear and either ELISA or Indirect fluorescent antibody test or Card agglutination test or PCR
 - o **Trypanosomiasis**: Kingdom of Bahrain, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Qatar, United Arab Emirates
 - Testing Method: Giemsa-stained blood smear and either ELISA or Indirect fluorescent antibody test or PCR
 - o **Equine viral arteritis**: Canada, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Kingdom of Bahrain, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Singapore, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, Republic of Korea, United States of America
 - Testing Method: Serum Neutralization test or real-time RT-PCR using nasopharyngeal swab
 - o **Glanders**: Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
 - Testing Method: CF test or ELISA
 - o **Nipah virus infection**: Singapore
 - Testing Method: ELISA or Serum Neutralization test
 - o **Vesicular stomatitis**: Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, United States of America
 - Testing Method: Serum Neutralization test
- **Exported Racehorse**- A racehorse (including a training partner horse) exported to Japan from a Listed Countries only for the purpose of participating in international horserace, not staying in Japan more than 60 days (duration from the day of release from the import animal quarantine to the previous day of the export quarantine) and leaving Japan immediately after racing.
- **Returning Racehorse**- A racehorse which returns to Japan after participating in international horserace and staying in Listed Countries for 90 days or less.
- **International Racehorse**- An exported racehorse and a returning racehorse.

NOTES

* For returning racehorses, a period between the day of export from Japan and the day of import into Japan.