

**EMPOWERED UNDER SECTION 9 (1) OF THE
VETERINARY PUBLIC HEALTH ORDINANCE 1999**

**REGULATIONS FOR THE IMPORTATING OF POULTRY PART THEREOF FROM WEST MALAYSIA AND
SABAH INTO THE STATE OF SARAWAK, MALAYSIA
(Effective from 3 April 2023)**

- A. Animal : Poultry part thereof
B. Country of export : West Malaysia and Sabah
C. For the purpose of : Human Consumption
D. Regulation for Importation :

1) Import Permit

Each consignment poultry part thereof be accompanied by a valid import permit issued by the State Veterinary Authority, Department of Veterinary Services Sarawak permitting entry into Sarawak, Malaysia.

2) Veterinary Certification

Each consignment of poultry part thereof shall be accompanied by an official veterinary health certificate in English dated within seven (7) days issued by Government Veterinary Authority of the exporting country certifying that;

- a) The poultry were slaughtered and processed in an approved slaughtering and processing plant **(the name, address and establishment number of the slaughtering and processing plant as well as slaughter date and date of production must be clearly stated in the certificate)** and must have Veterinary Health Mark certification by the Department of Veterinary Services, Malaysia.
- b) The country or part of country or state of origin has been continuously free from Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza, Low Pathogenic Avian Influenza and Newcastle Disease for the past twelve (12) months prior to and till the date of export.
- c) The poultry were derived from a registered farm which is accredited to be free from Salmonella pullorum, Salmonella gallinarum and Salmonella enteritidis; and in the case of duck or goose also free from duck viral enteritis and duck viral hepatitis in the preceding twelve (12) months prior to export.
- d) The poultry carcasses, products or parts were derived from poultry that had 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 diseases at the time of slaughter.
- e) The poultry meat has met microbiological standards of Malaysia listed below

Microbiological limits			
Food & Food Product	Type of tests	Microbiological standard	Criteria used
Uncooked / raw meat	Total Plat Count	2.5 million CFU/gm	Food Act 1983 / Food Regulation 1985
	Coliform	<2,400 MPN/gm	
	Staph Aureus	<250 MPN/gm	
	Salmonella Spp/ (25gm)	<250 MPN/gm	

- f) Free from harmful contaminants and residues.
- g) The poultry part thereof have been tested at random in an accredited laboratory and found to be free from residues of nitrofurans.
- h) The packed poultry part thereof were stored under sanitary conditions at chilled temperature of 0°C - 4°C or frozen at the temperature of at least -18°C at the approved slaughtering and processing plant.
- i) Every precaution had been taken to prevent contamination, treatment with preservatives/colouring matters or other foreign substances injurious to health and that the products is fit for human consumption.

3) Halal Certification

- a) Halal Certificate issued by Jabatan Agama Islam Negeri certifying that the products are halal are fit for Muslim consumption.

4) Transportation and Landing Place

- a) The refrigerated vehicle/container used for the transportation of poultry carcasses or parts must be in hygienic conditions and at temperature of 0°C to 4°C for chilled or at -18°C for frozen.
- b) The refrigerated vehicle/container used for transportation is solely for halal products and should only carry the said product.
- c) Each consignment of poultry carcasses or parts imported into Malaysia shall be carried by ship or aircraft or any vehicle direct to the prescribed landing place or any other port or airport in Malaysia.

5) **Testing on arrival.**

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

6) **Surrender of Official Documents in Sarawak.**

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

7) **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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