

Birds to Malaysia (Guidance)

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1 Purpose

(1) This guidance document has been issued to accompany the *OMAR: Birds to Malaysia.* This guidance document should be read in conjunction with that OMAR.

2 Specific guidance for matters in the zoosanitary certificate

- (1) With regards to clause 1, New Zealand is free from highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI), therefore all birds within New Zealand can be certified as complying with this requirement.
- (2) With regards to clause 1, Newcastle disease and Pullorum disease are absent from New Zealand, therefore all birds within New Zealand can be certified as complying with this requirement.
- (3) With regards to clause 1.2.1 and 1.2.2, the samples for testing must be done in laboratories operating in accordance with the Recognised Laboratory Program.

3 Additional information

- (1) In most cases approval must be first obtained from the Wildlife Department, Ministry of Science, Technology and Environment Malaysia for the importation of endangered species of game or pet birds into Malaysia. A CITES certificate must be presented to the Department of Veterinary Services Malaysia for the application of import or export license.
- (2) The importer/exporter or their agent must inform the respective State Veterinary Office where the import consignment of game or pet birds is to be landed or at least the quarantine officer at the prescribed landing place airport or port of disembarkation of the arrival of the respective consignment. The notice on flight details must be provided at least 48 hours before the arrival of the consignment in Malaysial.
- (3) Upon arrival in Malaysia, all official documents accompanying the consignment of birds must be surrendered to the authorised officer/ quarantine officer of the Malaysian Quarantine and Inspection Services (MAQIS) at the prescribed landing place (airport or port) in Malaysia.
- (4) All game/ pet birds imported into Malaysia are subject to quarantine. Please refer to the import permit for quarantine requirements on arrival in Malaysia.
- (5) The Director General of Veterinary Services Malaysia reserves the right to review any conditions stipulated herein or to impose additional rules or regulations pertaining to the importation of game/ pet birds into Malaysia.

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4 Importation of birds into New Zealand

(1) New Zealand has a unique population of rare and endangered birds and is free of a number of major bird and poultry diseases. No imports of live birds are allowed into New Zealand until the risks have been thoroughly examined and an import health standard has been developed. Therefore, the birds for export to Malaysia, will not be able to return to New Zealand.

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