



**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF HATCHING EGGS/
DAY-OLD CHICKEN, TURKEYS AND DUCKS
FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM INTO THE KINGDOM OF THAILAND**

- 1) **A health certificate** in English signed by a full-time authorized veterinary official of the country of origin stating:-
 - 1.1) number, breed, sex and mark of the eggs or day-old poultry,
 - 1.2) generation and intended usage (commercial or breeding stock),
 - 1.3) name and address of the establishment of origin OR the hatchery,
 - 1.4) names and addresses of the owner/exporter and the consignee,
 - 1.5) details of the means of transport,
 - 1.6) certification of condition items (3) to (15).
- 2) **Pedigree certificate** shall accompany the eggs or poultry for breeding purpose on arrival.
- 3) The country of origin is officially free from **Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI)** and **Newcastle disease** according to the criteria of the OIE.
- 4) The day-old poultry must come from a hatchery of which the management, hygiene and disease security procedures have been approved by an authorized veterinary official and according to the relevant criteria laid down in the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code.
- 5) The flocks of origin and the hatchery must be members of the country of origin's government supervised poultry health scheme and such they are subject to regular official veterinary inspection.
- 6) The day-old poultry must be healthy, with no signs of any infectious or contagious diseases, ectoparasites and fit to travel.
- 7) The farms of origin must be members of the country of origin's government supervised poultry health scheme under which they are routinely tested for ***Salmonella pullorum***, and they have given negative results in each case during the past 6 (six) months.
- 8) The farms of origin must have no clinical signs nor any other evidence of following diseases during the 6 (six) months immediately prior to export, and the hatching eggs or day-old poultry have not been subjected to any exposure or contact with any of these diseases:

Newcastle Disease, Infectious Bursal Disease (Gumboro), Infectious Bronchitis, Avian Encephalomyelitis, Egg Drop Syndrome'76, Mycoplasmosis (*M. gallisepticum* and *M. synoviae*), Marek's Disease, Viral Arthritis, Infectious Anemia, Fowl Cholera, Salmonellosis (*S. typhimurium* and *S. enteritidis*), Pullorum Disease (*S. pullorum* and *S. gallinarum*) and Parvovirus disease

And in addition for ducks only: **Duck Virus Hepatitis, Duck Virus Enteritis, Anatepestifer Infection** (*Riemerella anatipestifer* or New Duck Syndrome) and **Ornithosis**.

- 9) The hatchery of origin must be a member of the country of origin's government supervised poultry health scheme, which meets the standard laid down in the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code covering management, hygiene and disease security procedures in poultry breeding flocks and hatcheries.
- 10) The incubators must be disinfected prior to setting and hatching the eggs from which the day-old poultry were produced; the eggs must be disinfected prior to setting and all the eggs in the incubators must be derived from flocks which had been demonstrated to be free from *Salmonella pullorum*.
- 11) The day-old poultry must be derived from the parent flocks continuously resident in the country of origin and hatched in the premises approved for export to Thailand.
- 12) The hatching egg or day-old poultry shall be packed for export at the hatchery directly into new, clean boxes and shall not have any contact with any other eggs, or poultry of a lesser health status.
- 13) The following requirements of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code must be met:
 - i) The hatchery is subjected to regular inspection by the country of origin's official veterinarian.
 - ii) The hatchery is free from Newcastle disease and the zone surrounding the hatchery is free from Newcastle disease
 - iii) EITHER the day-old poultry have not been vaccinated against Newcastle disease
OR the day-old poultry have been vaccinated against Newcastle disease using a vaccine that complies with the standards in the OIE Terrestrial Manual and has a marketing authorization for use in the country of origin.

Date of vaccination

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Name of vaccination

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Type

(live/inactivated)

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- 14) The poultry comprising the flock (s) of origin have been vaccinated for Newcastle disease with a lentogenic strain of the virus, using the following vaccine which complies with the standards in the OIE Terrestrial Manual and has a marketing authorization for use in the country of origin.

Date of vaccination

Name of vaccination

Type (live/inactivated)

- 15) EITHER (i) on (date), blood sample of 60 poultry randomly selected from the holding where the parents poultry of the eggs or day-old poultry for exported were housed, were submitted to the country of origin's national reference laboratory, and were tested by serologically for **avian influenza** with negative result in each case within the period of not more than 28 days prior to the date of export.

OR (ii) on (date), cloacal sample of 60 poultry, randomly selected from the holding where the parents poultry of the eggs or day-old poultry for exported were housed, were submitted to the country of origin's national reference laboratory, and were tested by a virus isolation test/PCR test for **avian influenza** with negative result in each case within the period of not more than 28 days prior to date of export.

- 16) The day-old poultry are subjected to quarantine at approved premises for a period of at least 30 (thirty) days upon arrival, during which they shall be submitted to tests and/or treatments deemed necessary. The importer/owner shall be fully charged for the incurred expenses.
- 17) Failure to follow the import procedures may result in returning the hatching eggs/day-old poultry to the country of origin or destroying without compensation.

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