

REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE

THE ANIMALS AND BIRDS ACT (CHAP.7)

**VETERINARY CONDITIONS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF
VETERINARY BIOLOGICS (3/7) -
VACCINES: FINAL LABELLED PRODUCTS (1/3)**

I COUNTRY OF EXPORT

Any country.

II PURPOSE

Immunization of animals or birds/sale/transshipment/re-export/transit.

III IMPORT LICENCE

Each consignment shall be accompanied by a valid import licence issued by the National Parks Board/Animal & Veterinary Service (NParks/AVS). The licence shall be issued to the current registrant of the product or its authorised distributor(s).

IV PRODUCT CERTIFICATION

Each lot/batch of vaccine in the consignment shall be accompanied by a valid quality control certificate signed or endorsed by the Quality Control Manager or other competent personnel as prescribed by the government authority of the country of export and/or in the manufacturer's quality control protocol.

V DECLARATION FROM MASTER/CAPTAIN OF SHIP/AIRCRAFT

Not required.

VI QUARANTINE ACTION

Vaccines imported for the purpose of local sale and use in local animals outside of a licensed laboratory or animal research facility are subject to sampling for laboratory tests.

Vaccines imported for the purpose of research or clinical in-vivo study must be used only in an NParks/AVS-licensed facility, and are not subject to sampling.

VII APPLICATION FOR IMPORT LICENCE

The importer or his agent must apply for the import licence by submitting an online application through GoBusiness Licensing Portal (<https://www.gobusiness.gov.sg/licences>) 30 days prior to the arrival of consignment.

VIII NOTIFICATION OF ARRIVAL

The importer or agent must make an appointment for the inspection by submitting an online booking request via Intelligent Food Approval & Safety Tracking System (iFAST) at <https://ifast.sfa.gov.sg/eserviceweb/>. Please ensure your NParks/AVS Import licence no. & flight details are ready and fill in the required information on your application. Inspections without any prior appointment will be charged \$80.00/hour or part thereof during office hours.

IX VETERINARY INSPECTION

On arrival at the port of entry in Singapore the un-opened consignment and accompanying documents (NParks/AVS import licence, quality control certificates) shall be presented to and examined by an authorised Veterinary Officer. If the consignment and documents are found to be in order, the consignment shall be released to the importer.

X PENALTY

All imports must comply fully with the conditions of the Import Licence and Veterinary Conditions, unless prior written approval has been obtained from NParks/AVS. Any consignment of vaccines that does not meet the requirements may be detained, returned to the country of export or destroyed at the discretion of the Director-General, Animal Health and Welfare. In addition, the importer shall be guilty of an offence under the Animals and Birds Act Section 8(1) and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or to both.

XI FEES

(i) Import Licence - See Fee Schedule: Attachment-2.

XII OTHER REQUIREMENTS/INFORMATION

- (i) In accordance with the Animals and Birds Act, "veterinary biologics" means aggressions, serums, viruses, toxins, tuberculin, mallein, Johnin, abortin, **vaccines**, micro-organisms either living or killed, and products of micro-organisms intended for use in the treatment or diagnosis of diseases of animals and birds.
- (ii) In accordance with Section 55 of the Animals and Birds Act, no person shall have in his possession any veterinary biologics or inoculate any animal or bird with any veterinary biologics unless he has been licensed in that behalf by the Director-General, Animal Health and Welfare.
- (iii) Application for a license to possess veterinary biologics may be made at <https://www.gobusiness.gov.sg/licences>
- (iv) Vaccines imported for the purpose of local sale and use in local animals outside of a licensed laboratory or animal research facility, must be registered with NParks/AVS.
- (v) Vaccines imported for purpose of research and clinical trial in an animal facility must be used within an NParks/AVS-licensed facility or laboratory appropriate for the activities carried out.
- (vi) Application to register vaccines may be made at animal_feedback@nparks.gov.sg For Application fee, please see Fee Schedule: Attachment-2. Registered products not imported for more than five years are automatically removed from the register unless an application to renew registration is received before then.
- (vii) "Final labelled product" means the product is in a form and packaging ready for immunization.
- (viii) Veterinary biologics should not be sent by post.
- (ix) Regulations are subject to change without notice.

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