

Animals and Birds (Quarantine) Rules

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Citation

1. These Rules may be cited as the Animals and Birds (Quarantine) Rules.

Quarantine for all animals intended for slaughter

2.—(1) Animals imported from any country, other than Malaysia, for the purpose of slaughter shall —

- (a) immediately on arrival, enter a quarantine station and there undergo quarantine for a period of not less than 10 days; and
- (b) thereafter proceed direct to an abattoir or to another quarantine station and there remain until required for slaughter.

(2) Any dog or cat imported from a place, other than the United Kingdom, Eire, Northern Ireland, Australia or New Zealand, shall, immediately on arrival, be placed in quarantine at a quarantine station and shall there be vaccinated with an approved anti-rabies vaccine, ear-tattooed and detained in quarantine for a period of not less than 30 days immediately after the vaccination.

(3) If the dog or cat is less than 3 months old at the time of arrival, it shall remain in quarantine until it shall attain that age whereupon it shall be vaccinated and remain a further 30 days after vaccination.

(4) In the case of a dog, it shall also be ear-tattooed at the time of vaccination.

(5) The Director-General may exempt any animal or bird from this rule.

Transshipment licence

3. Any animal or bird transhipped at Singapore shall be inspected by a veterinary authority and, if the accompanying certificate of health of the animal or bird is in order, a transshipment licence may be issued at the discretion of the Director-General.

Special imports

4. Notwithstanding rule 2, the Director-General may issue a licence to import any animal or bird or the carcase thereof for any special purpose from any country or place, subject to such conditions as he may see fit to impose.

Penalty

5. Any person who contravenes rule 2 shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$500 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or to both, and to a further fine of \$20 for every day during which the offence continues after conviction.

Fees