**REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS**

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## SPECIFIC IMPORT CONDITIONS FOR OVINE/ CAPRINE FROM KENYA

**The animals should be transported to Mauritius in a licensed livestock freighter and the consignment is accompanied by the original of the International Veterinary Certificate issued by the Official Veterinary Services of Kenya certifying that:**

I. The animals shall originate from all government farms found in Taita Taveta county including:
   a. Kisima Ranch
   b. Kutima Ranch
   c. Gichecha farm
   d. Taita Ranch
   e. Izera Ranch

II. All animals selected for export have been individually tagged for identification purposes.

III. All the animal intended for export were kept on the premises of the farm since birth until quarantine and the animals were not in contact with animals from other farms for the past 3 months

IV. The animals were vaccinated according to the vaccination program approved by the Veterinary services of Kenya and pursuant to the conditions of this import permit.

V. An active sero surveillance is carried out on the farms from which the animals come from at least once every 6 months to rule out virus circulation of FMD and other diseases such as
   i. Brucellosis ( Melitensis and abortus )
   ii. FMD
   iii. RVF
   iv. Q fever
   v. Bluetongue
   vi. PPR
   vii. CCPP
   viii. CAEV

The results of the surveillance regarding the concerned farms should be submitted to the DVS upon request

VI. The State veterinarian has clinically examined the animals and provided a health examination prior to movement of the animals from farm to quarantine site.

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VII. A movement permit and a no objection certificate was issued for the animals to be moved from the farm to the quarantine site.

VIII. The vehicles in which the animals were transported were cleaned and disinfected.

IX. The animals were transported in sealed containers or vehicles to the quarantine station.

X. The quarantine station should be approved by the Veterinary services of Kenya; the quarantine was cleaned and disinfected and was free from any animals for at least 21 days prior reception of animals intended for export to Mauritius.

XI. The quarantine holds only animals intended for export to Mauritius from day Zero to the last day of quarantine. The animals should be kept in quarantine facility for at least 14 days prior to export to MAURITIUS.

XII. Arrangements have been made and verified to prevent any contact with fomites and other animals not complying with the same health requirements as described in this import condition during the period from quarantine and certification until dispatch to Mauritius.

XIII. The animals were transported directly to the port of Mombasa from the quarantine station in vehicles which have been cleaned and disinfected.

XIV. The animals were disembarked directly from the vehicles to the vessel without going through marshaling yards.

XV. The state veterinarian has clinically examined and has supervised the embarkation of the animals.

XVI. The IVC was signed by the Chief Veterinary Officer and a digital original IVC shall accompany the consignment.

1) **ANTHRAX**

The animals:

1.1 showed no clinical sign of **anthrax** on the day of shipment;

AND

1.2. were kept for the 20 days prior to shipment in an establishment where no case of anthrax was officially declared during that period;

or

1.3 were vaccinated, not less than 20 days and not more than 12 months prior to shipment in accordance with the Terrestrial Manual.

| Disease | Vaccine, batch number and expiry date. | Date of Vaccination |
|---|---|---|
| Anthrax (not less than twenty days and not more than 12 months prior to shipment) | | |

**2) BLUETONG**
**For importation from <u>countries or zones free from bluetongue</u>**

2.1 The animals showed no clinical sign of bluetongue on the day of shipment;

AND

2.2 the animals were kept in a country or zone free from bluetongue since birth or for at least 60 days prior to shipment; or

2.3 the animals were kept in a country or zone free from bluetongue for at least 28 days, then were subjected, with negative results, to a serological test to detect antibodies to the BTV group and remained in the free country or zone until shipment; or

2.4 the animals were kept in a country or zone free from bluetongue for at least 14 days, then were subjected, with negative results, to an agent identification test, and remained in the free country or zone until shipment; or

2.5 the animals:

a) were vaccinated, at least 60 days before the introduction into the free country or zone, from which they are to be exported, against all serotypes demonstrated to be present in the source population through a surveillance programme as described in Articles 8.3.14. to 8.3.17. of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2023);

b) were identified as having been vaccinated;

c) remained in the free country or zone for at least seven days until shipment;

AND

2.6 if the animals were exported from a free zone within an infected country, either:

a) did not transit through an infected zone during transportation to the place of shipment; or
b) were protected from attacks from Culicoides in accordance with point 2 of Article 8.3.13. of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2023) at all times when transiting through an infected zone; or
c) had been vaccinated in accordance with point 2.5) above.

**For importation from <u>countries or zones seasonally free from bluetongue</u>**
The animals:

2.7 showed no clinical sign of bluetongue on the day of shipment;

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AND

2.8 were kept during the free season in a seasonally free country or zone since birth or for at least 60 days prior to shipment; or

2.9 were kept during the free season in a seasonally free country or zone for at least 28 days prior to shipment, and were subjected during that residence period to a serological test to detect antibodies to the BTV group, with negative results, carried out at least 28 days after the commencement of the residence period; or

2.10 were kept during the free season in a seasonally free country or zone for at least 14 days prior to shipment, and were subjected during that residence period to an agent identification test, with negative results, carried out at least 14 days after the commencement of the residence period; or

2.11 were:

a) vaccinated, at least 60 days before shipment, against all serotypes demonstrated to be present in the source population through a surveillance programme in accordance with Articles 8.3.14. to 8.3.17. of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2023).;
b) identified as having been vaccinated;
c) kept during the free season in the seasonally free country or zone for at least seven days, and until shipment;

AND

2.12 either:

a) did not transit through an infected zone during transportation to the place of shipment; or
b) were protected from attacks from Culicoides in accordance with point 2 of Article 8.3.13. of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2023) at all times when transiting through an infected zone; or
c) were vaccinated in accordance with point 2.11) above.

**For importation from <u>countries or zones infected with BTV</u>**

The animals:

2.13 showed no clinical sign of bluetongue on the day of shipment; AND

2.14 were protected from attacks from Culicoides in accordance with Article 8.3.13. of the

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Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2023). in a vector-protected establishment for at least 60 days prior to shipment and during transportation to the place of shipment; or

2.15 were protected from attacks from Culicoides in accordance with Article 8.3.13 of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2023) in a vector-protected establishment for at least 28 days prior to shipment and during transportation to the place of shipment, and were subjected during that period to a serological test to detect antibodies to the BTV group, with negative results, carried out at least 28 days after introduction into the vector-protected establishment; or

2.16 were protected from attacks from Culicoides in accordance with Article 8.3.13. of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2023). in a vector-protected establishment for at least 14 days prior to shipment and during transportation to the place of shipment, and were subjected during that period to an agent identification test, with negative results, carried out at least 14 days after introduction into the vector-protected establishment; or

2.17 were:

a) vaccinated, at least 60 days before shipment, against all serotypes demonstrated to be present in the source population through a surveillance programme in accordance with Articles 8.3.14. to 8.3.17. of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2023)

b) identified as having been vaccinated; or

2.18 were demonstrated to have antibodies for at least 60 days prior to shipment against all serotypes demonstrated to be present in the source population through a surveillance programme in accordance with Articles 8.3.14. to 8.3.17. of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2023).

| Disease | Vaccine, batch number and expiry date. | Date of Vaccination |
|---|---|---|
| Bluetongue | | |

3) **BRUCELLA**

The animals:

3.1 showed no clinical sign of infection with **Brucella** on the day of shipment;

3.2 originate from:

a) a country or zone free from infection with Brucella as relevant;



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OR

b) a herd or flock free from infection with Brucella and all sexually mature animals were tested for infection with Brucella with negative results within 30 days prior to shipment;

OR

c) a herd or flock not qualified free from infection with Brucella:

i. in which no case has been reported during the year prior to shipment;
ii. the animals were isolated for 30 days prior to shipment and all animals in isolation were tested for infection with Brucella within that period with negative results; in the case of post-parturient females, the test was carried out at least 30 days after giving birth.

4) **FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE (FMD)**

The animals

4.1 showed no clinical sign of **Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD)** on the day of shipment;

**From FMD free countries or zones where vaccination is practiced**

4.2 were kept since birth or for at least the past three months in a FMD free country or zone where vaccination is practised;

4.3 were subjected to a test for FMD with negative results;

4.4 if transiting an infected zone, were not exposed to any source of FMDV during transportation to the place of shipment.

| Disease | Vaccine, batch number and expiry date. | Date of Vaccination |
|---|---|---|
| FMD | | |

**From FMD infected countries or zones where an official control programme exists**

4.5 the animals showed no clinical sign of FMD on the day of shipment;

4.6 prior to isolation, the animals were kept in the establishment of origin:

a) for 30 days, or since birth if younger than 30 days, if a stamping-out policy is applied to control FMD in the exporting country or zone, or

b) for three months, or since birth if younger than three months if a stamping-out policy is not applied to control FMD in the exporting country or zone;

4.7 FMD has not occurred within the establishment of origin for the relevant period as defined in points 4.6 a) and 4.6 b) above;

4.8 the animals were isolated in an establishment for the 30 days prior to shipment, and all animals in isolation were subjected to diagnostic virological and serological tests for evidence of FMDV with negative results on samples collected at least 28 days after the start of isolation period, and that FMD did not occur within a 10 kilometre radius of the establishment during that period, or the establishment is a quarantine station;

4.9 the animals were not exposed to any source of FMDV during their transportation from the establishment to the place of shipment.

5) **HEARTWATER**

5.1 The animals are imported from a **heartwater** free country;

OR

the country is considered infected with heartwater.

AND

5.2 showed no clinical sign of heartwater on the day of shipment;

5.3 were subjected to a diagnostic test for heartwater with negative results during the 15 days prior to shipment;

5.4 were treated with acaricides prior to shipment and were completely free of ticks.

Product name used:…….. Date of treatment : ……..

6) **M. TUBERCULOSIS COMPLEX**

6.1 infection with **M. tuberculosis complex** in animals is a notifiable disease in the entire country;

6.2 the goats showed no clinical signs of infection with M. tuberculosis complex on the day of shipment;

either:

6.3 the goats have been kept since birth in herds in which no case of infection with M. tuberculosis complex has been detected for the past three years; or

6.4 have been isolated for at least six months prior to shipment including protection from contact with any reservoir of M. tuberculosis complex and all isolated animals showed negative results to at least two consecutive tests carried out at a six-month interval, with the second test performed within 30 days prior to shipment.

8) **RABIES**

The animals:

8.1 showed no clinical sign of **rabies** the day prior to or on the day of shipment;

8.2 were permanently identified and the identification number stated in the certificate;

EITHER

a) were kept for the 6 months prior to shipment in an establishment where there has been no case of rabies for at least 12 months prior to shipment;

OR

b) were vaccinated or revaccinated in accordance with the recommendations of the manufacturer. The vaccine was produced and used in accordance with the Terrestrial Manual.

| Disease | Vaccine, batch number and expiry date. | Date of Vaccination |
|---|---|---|
| Rabies | | |

9) **RIFT VALLEY FEVER**

**<u>For Importation from countries or zones free from RVF</u>**

The animals:

9.1 were kept in a country or zone free from RVF since birth or for at least 14 days prior to shipment;

AND

either:

a) were vaccinated at least 14 days prior to leaving the free country or zone; or
b) did not transit through an area experiencing an epizootic during transportation to the place of shipment; or
c) were protected from vector attacks when transiting through an area experiencing an epizootic.

**For importation from countries or zones infected with RVFV during the inter-epizootic period**

The animals:

9.2 showed no sign of RVF on the day of shipment;

9.3 met one of the following conditions:

a) were vaccinated against RVF at least 14 days prior to shipment with a modified live virus vaccine; or

| Disease | Vaccine, batch number and expiry date. | Date of Vaccination |
|---|---|---|
| RVF | | |

b) were held for at least 14 days prior to shipment in a vector-protected quarantine station, which is located in an area of demonstrated low vector activity. During this period the animals showed no clinical sign of RVF;

AND

9.4 either:
a) did not transit through an area experiencing an epizootic during transportation to the place of shipment; or
b) were protected from vector attacks when transiting through an area experiencing an

epizootic.

**For importation from countries or zones infected with RVFV during an epizootic**

The animals:

9.5 showed no sign of RVF on the day of shipment;

9.6 did not originate in the area of the epizootic;

9.7 were vaccinated against RVF at least 14 days prior to shipment;

9.8 were held for at least 14 days prior to shipment in a vector-protected quarantine station, which is located in an area of demonstrated low vector activity outside the area of the epizootic. During this period the animals showed no sign of RVF;

9.9 either:

a) did not transit through an area experiencing an epizootic during transportation to the place of shipment; or
b) were protected from vector attacks when transiting through an area experiencing an epizootic.

10) **CAPRINE ARTHRITIS/ENCEPHALITIS**

10.1 the animals showed no clinical sign of **caprine arthritis/encephalitis** on the day of shipment;

10.2 animals over one year of age were subjected to a diagnostic test for caprine arthritis/encephalitis with negative results during the 30 days prior to shipment; or

10.3 caprine arthritis/encephalitis was neither clinically nor serologically diagnosed in the sheep and goats present in the flocks of origin during the past three years, and also that no sheep or goat from a flock of inferior health status was introduced into these flocks during that period.

11) **CONTAGIOUS AGALACTIA**

11.1 showed no clinical sign of **contagious agalactia** on the day of shipment;

11.2 were kept since birth or for the six months prior to shipment in an establishment where no case of contagious agalactia was officially reported during that period;

11.3 were kept in a quarantine station for the 21 days prior to shipment.

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12) **CONTAGIOUS CAPRINE PLEUROPNEUMONIA**
**For importation from CCPP free countries**

For domestic goats the animals:

12.1 showed no clinical sign of CCPP on the day of shipment;

12.2 were kept in a CCPP free country since birth or for at least three months.

**For importation from countries considered infected with CCPP**

For domestic goats the animals:

12.3 showed no clinical sign of CCPP on the day of shipment;

12.4 were subjected to a complement fixation test for CCPP with negative results, on two occasions, with an interval of not less than 21 days and not more than 30 days between each test, the second test being performed within 14 days prior to shipment (under study);

12.5 were isolated from other domestic goats from the day of the first complement fixation test until shipment;

12.6 were kept since birth, or for at least the past 45 days, in an establishment where no case of CCPP was officially reported during that period, and that the establishment of origin was not situated in a CCPP infected zone;

12.7 have not been vaccinated against CCPP; or

12.8 were vaccinated not more than four months prior to shipment. In this case, point 12.4) above is not required (under study).

| Disease | Vaccine, batch number and expiry date. | Date of Vaccination |
|---|---|---|
| CCPP | | |

13) **OVINE CHLAMYDIOSIS** OR **OVINE ENZOOTIC ABORTION**
The animals:

13.1 have remained since birth, or for the previous two years, in establishments where no **Enzootic**

**Abortion of Ewes (EAE)**, also known as **ovine chlamydiosis** or **ovine enzootic abortion** has been diagnosed during the past two years;

13.2 showed no clinical sign of EAE on the day of shipment; or

13.3 were subjected to a diagnostic test for EAE with negative results within the 30 days prior to shipment.

14) **MAEDI-VISNA**
The animals:
14.1 the animals showed no clinical sign of **maedi-visna** on the day of shipment;

14.2 animals over one year of age were subjected to a diagnostic test for maedi-visna with negative results during the 30 days prior to shipment; or

14.3 maedi-visna was neither clinically nor serologically diagnosed in the sheep and goats present in the flocks of origin during the past three years, and also that no sheep or goat from a flock of inferior health status was introduced into these flocks during that period.

15) **OVINE EPIDIDYMITIS**
The animals :
15.1 showed no clinical sign of **ovine epididymitis** on the day of shipment;

15.2 come from a sheep flock free from ovine epididymitis; or

15.3 for breeding sheep over six months of age, the animals were isolated in the establishment of origin for the 30 days prior to shipment and were subjected to the diagnostic tests for Brucella ovis (B. ovis) with negative results; or

15.4 for sheep from a flock other than that stated in point 15.2) above, the animals were isolated prior to shipment and were subjected to the diagnostic tests for B. ovis with negative results on two occasions, with an interval of 30 to 60 days between each test, the second test being performed during the 15 days prior to shipment.

16) **PESTE DES PETITS RUMINANTS (PPR)**
**For importation from PPR free countries or zones**
The animals:

16.1 showed no clinical sign of **PPR** on the day of shipment;

16.2 were kept in a PPR free country or zone since birth or for at least the past 21 days.

**For importation from countries or zones considered infected with PPRV**

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The animals:

16.3 showed no clinical sign suggestive of PPRV infection for at least the 21 days prior to shipment;

16.4 either:

a) were kept since birth, or for at least the 21 days prior to shipment, in an establishment where no case of PPR was reported during that period, and that the establishment was not situated in a PPRV infected zone; or
b) were kept in a quarantine station for at least the 21 days prior to shipment;

16.5 either:

a) were not vaccinated against PPR and were submitted to a diagnostic test for PPRV infection with negative result no more than 21 days prior to shipment; or
b) were vaccinated against PPR with live attenuated PPRV vaccines at least 21 days prior to shipment.

| Disease | Vaccine, batch number and expiry date. | Date of Vaccination |
|---|---|---|
| PPR | | |

17) **SCRAPIE**

**For importation from countries or zones not considered free from scrapie**

17.1 the animals come from an establishment free from **scrapie** as described in Article 14.8.5. of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2021).

18) **SHEEP POX AND GOAT POX**

**For importation from sheep pox and goat pox free countries**

The animals:

18.1 showed no clinical sign of **sheep pox or goat pox** on the day of shipment;

18.2 were kept in a sheep pox and goat pox free country since birth or for at least the past 21 days.

**For importation from countries considered infected with sheep pox and goat pox**

The animals:

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18.3 showed no clinical sign of sheep pox or goat pox on the day of shipment;

18.4 were kept since birth, or for the past 21 days, in an establishment where no case of sheep pox and goat pox was officially reported during that period, and that the establishment was not situated in a sheep pox and goat pox infected zone; or

18.5 were kept in a quarantine station for the 21 days prior to shipment;

18.6 have not been vaccinated against sheep pox and goat pox; or

18.7 were vaccinated using a vaccine complying with the standards described in the Terrestrial Manual not less than 15 days and not more than 4 months prior to shipment (the nature of the vaccine used, whether inactivated or modified live virus, and the virus types and strains included in the vaccine shall also be stated in the certificate).

| Disease | Vaccine, batch number and expiry date. | Date of Vaccination |
|---|---|---|
| Sheep pox and Goat Pox | | |

**NOTE TO IMPORTER**

i. The animals have been moved in disinfected trucks to the port of embarkation.

ii. On the day of embarkation, all animals show no signs of contagious/infectious disease and are free from ectoparasites.

iii. The animals should invariably be transported in a licensed livestock carrier (air or sea).

iv. The Official veterinarian certifies that the livestock carrier carries a correct/right number of animals that will not compromise their security and welfare during the journey.

v. The livestock carrier carrying the consignment will call DIRECTLY after embarkation of animals to SSR international airport if by air or Port-Louis harbor if by sea.

vi. The date and number of this import permit must be stated on the Official Veterinary Certificate.

vii. Arrival of every consignment should be notified to the Division of Veterinary Services at least two days before arrival if by sea or one day if by air.

viii. The Bill of Lading/airway bill for the consignment shall be submitted to the Division of

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Veterinary Services upon disembarkation.

ix. All animals will be kept in an approved quarantine in Mauritius for 14 days.

x. If the International Veterinary Certificate does not conform to the conditions laid down in this permit, the landing of the said animals will not be allowed.

xi. The permit is issued in respect of one consignment only.

xii. This permit may be cancelled without any compensation at any time in case of disease outbreak or suspicion of disease in the country of export.

xiii. All animals upon arrival will be transported at importer's cost to the officially approved quarantine station.

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