

**ANIMAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR RACEHORSES  
TO BE EXPORTED TO JAPAN FROM NEW ZEALAND  
AND TO PARTICIPATE IN AN INTERNATIONAL HORSERACE**

The animal health requirements are applied as follows for racehorses that are exported to Japan from New Zealand only for the purpose of participating in an international horse race and their training partner horses, that do not stay in Japan more than 60 days (duration from the day of release from the import animal quarantine to the previous day of the export quarantine.) and that leave Japan immediately after racing (hereinafter referred to as "the exported racehorse").

1. New Zealand has been free from Vesicular stomatitis, African horse sickness, Horse pox, Equine encephalomyelitis (Eastern equine encephalomyelitis, Western equine encephalomyelitis and Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis), Equine infectious anemia, Glanders, Epizootic lymphangitis, Equine paratyphoid (*Salmonella enterica* subsp. *enterica* serotype Abortusequi), Contagious equine metritis and Equine trypanosomiasis (including dourine).
2. During 60 days immediately prior to shipment to Japan, the exported racehorse has been stabled at the premises in which there has been neither evidence of Equine viral arteritis, Equine influenza, Equine rhinopneumonitis and Equine piroplasmiasis, nor clinical evidence of such the diseases in the exported racehorse.
3. The exported racehorse is examined for the following diseases by the correspondent tests with negative results within 30 days immediately prior to shipment to Japan.
  - (1) Equine viral arteritis: Serum neutralization test
  - (2) Equine piroplasmiasis: Competitive ELISAand  
Indirect Fluorescent antibody test
4. The exported racehorse is vaccinated against Equine influenza twice at an interval of 4 to 6 weeks (or once in the case of booster) within one year immediately prior to shipment to Japan.
5. All containers, land vehicles and loading places of a ship or an aircraft which are used for transportation of the exported racehorse is fully cleaned and disinfected previously with such disinfectants approved as appropriate by the government authorities of New Zealand.
6. Any animal (equine or cloven-hoofed animals) other than the racehorse participating in the international horse race in Japan, is not loaded together with the exported horse on a ship or an aircraft.
7. No additional feed and/or litter are provided at any port of call during the transportation of the exported

racehorse.

8. The government authorities of New Zealand are responsible for provision of the certificate detailed below.
  - (1) Items 1, 2 and 5 mentioned above.
  - (2) Dates, methods and results of examinations for each disease listed in item 3.
  - (3) Date of vaccination and kind of vaccine for Equine influenza.
  - (4) Date of vaccination and kind of vaccine in case the exported racehorse has been vaccinated against other diseases than Equine influenza.
  - (5) Name and address of stabling premises of the exported racehorse.
  - (6) Tattoo number, other descriptions for identification of the exported racehorse.