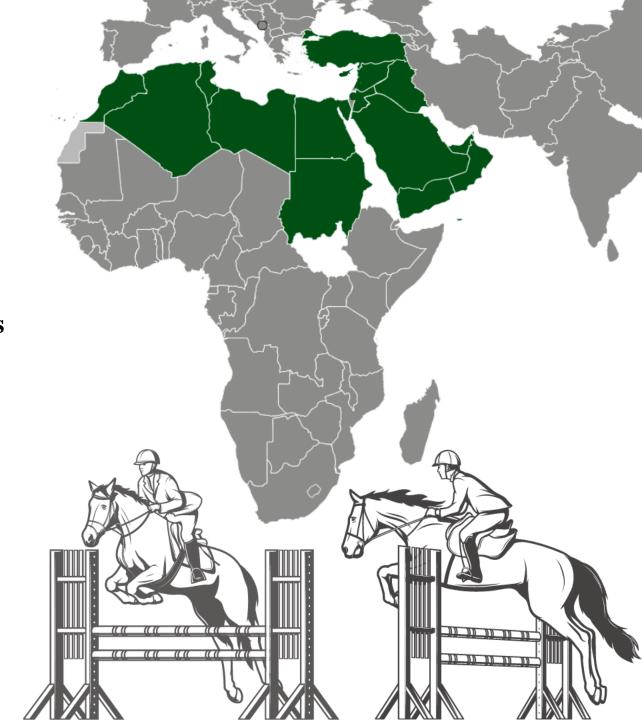


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Health certification for temporary or permanent residence

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#### **Definitions**

- Permanent Import Definitive import, horse remains
- Temporary Import Horse does not enter general population
- Isolation
- Vector Protection



#### Pre-import conditions

- Depend on country of origin
- Health Status of country of origin
- Negotiation but ultimately decided by importing country
- Pre Import Quarantine?
- Pre-Import Supervision

#### III. HEALTH INFORMATION

1, the undersigned, certify	that the Horse described above	meets the following requ	uirements:

- a) Has been examined today ....... (date), being within 24 hours of export, and shows no clinical signs of infectious and contagious disease, and is certified free from external parasites. The horse is fit to travel today.
- b) It is not intended for slaughter under a national programme of infectious or contagious disease eradication.
- c) (i) the said animal does not come from the territory or part of the territory(1) of a Member State which is the subject of restrictions for reasons of African Horse Sickness; and
  - (ii) Either (a) the said animal is not vaccinated against African Horse Sickness; (5)
    - Or (b) the said animal was vaccinated against African Horse Sickness on ................................ (date) (5)



### Residency for permanent import

- Defined in certificate
- Varies from country to country

After due inquiry, for 180 days immediately before export, or since birth if under six months of age, the horse was continuously resident and free of quarantine restriction in the United Arab Emirates, or other countries, where no clinical, epidemiological or other evidence of glanders occurred during the previous three years before export and the disease is compulsorily notifiable.

#### <u>(d) Residency</u>

- The horse has been continuously resident in the country of export for at least 60 days prior to the date of export
- During the three months immediately preceding the exportation (or since birth if the animal is less than three months old) it has been resident on holdings under veterinary supervision in the country of dispatch and 30 days prior to dispatch in an approved isolation center protected from vector insects.

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## Residency for permanent import

- Movement away from Temporary import EU/Australia Residency varies from country to country
- the animal is dispatched from a country or part of the territory of a country, which is assigned to Sanitary Group E and
  - (3) either [has been kept in isolation in the country or part of the territory of the country of dispatch protected from vector insects for a period of at least 40 days prior to the date of dispatch, or since entry into the country or part of the territory of the country of dispatch, if it was imported in accordance with point II.2.1 from GB or a country or part of the territory of a country which is assigned to Sanitary Group A, B, C, D, E or G;]]
  - [has been kept in designated premises under official veterinary supervision for a period of at least 40 days prior to the date of dispatch, or since entry into the country or part of the territory of the country of dispatch, if it was imported in accordance with point II.2.1 from GB or a country or part of the territory of a country which is assigned to Sanitary Group A, B, C, D, E or G, and the country or part of the territory of the country of dispatch is recognised by the OIE as officially free of African horse sickness;]]





### Post-import release

- Release of imported horse to general population based on risk assessment
- UAE mitigates by repeated testing plus 10 days post import quarantine period
- Twice daily temperature monitoring, negative results etc
- Traceability important to be aware of definitive destination





### **Temporarily Imported Horses**

- Must meet return conditions
- Generally a variation of the following;
- Resident on holdings under veterinary supervision, accommodated in separated stables without coming into contact with equidae of lower health status except during racing:
- during the period of 15 days prior to the date of dispatch the horse has not been in contact with animals suffering from infectious or contagious diseases transmissible to Equidae;
- the conditions for residence and pre-export isolation as applicable in accordance with point II.2. of the accompanying health certificate for the country or part of the territory of the country of dispatch are fulfilled;
- the transportation will be effected in such a way that the health and well-being of the horse can be protected effectively at all stages of the journey.

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#### **Vector Protection**

- Physical Barriers
- Vector Screening
- Effective insecticides
- Enclosed during high insect activity
- Spraying before leaving facility and upon re-entry
- Insect killers
- "Fogging" of the surrounding area
- Minimising stagnant water







## **Attestation of Transport Conditions**

- II.4.1. The animal is dispatched from a country or part of the territory of a country which is assigned to Sanitary Group A, B, C, D, E or G and is transported directly to GB, without passing through a market, marshalling or assembly centre and without coming into contact with other equidae not complying with at least the same health requirements as described in this health certificate.]
- II.4.2. Arrangements have been made and verified to prevent any contact with other equidae not complying with at least the same health requirements as described in this health certificate during the period from certification until dispatch to GB.
- II.4.3. The transport vehicles or containers in which the animal is going to be loaded were cleaned and disinfected before loading with a disinfectant officially recognised in the third country of dispatch and they are so constructed that faeces, urine, litter or fodder cannot escape during transportation.



### Transit/Transshipment Certification

#### TRANSSHIPMENT / TRANSIT IS AUTHORISED UNDER THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS

- 1. The horse(s) are accompanied by Health Certification acceptable to the Competent Authorities in the destination country.
- 2. The horses meet U.A.E. transit/transshipment health requirements and are accompanied by separate certification if the health certificate at 1. Above does not cover U.A.E. requirements.
- 3. The routing prior to entry to The United Arab Emirates is as shown overleaf.
- 4. All equines must be individually stalled and must travel parallel to the direction of flight unless prior written authority has been received to vary this requirement.
- 5. This certificate is valid for 5 (five) days from date of issue Applies to Transshipment Permits only.
- N.B. Transit is taken to mean that horses enter and leave the United Arab Emirates (U.A.E.) on the same aircraft and remain on it whilst it is in the U.A.E. Transshipment allows for movement of the horses from one aircraft to another at the airport of arrival or from the airport of arrival to another U.A.E. airport or to the U.A.E. border, by road. In all cases horses must not come into contact U.A.E. resident horses

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