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REGULATIONS** [S 52/59]
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1. These Regulations may be cited as the Quarantine and Prevention of Disease (Animals) Regulations. Citation.
2. In these Regulations — Interpretation.
 - “animal” includes a bird;
 - “health officer” means the health officer of the district and includes a person authorised in writing by him to act as his deputy or assistant;
 - “import” means to bring or cause to be brought into Brunei Darussalam by land, sea or air;
 - “officer of customs” has the same meaning as in the Customs Act. Cap. 36.
3. No animal shall be imported, or transhipped from one ship to another within Brunei Darussalam, without the express permission in writing of the veterinary officer. Restriction on importation of animals.
4. A person importing any animal shall, immediately upon arrival and before entering or landing it, report in writing the fact to the veterinary officer. Importers of animals to report to veterinary officer.
5. A person importing a dog or cat shall produce to the veterinary officer a certificate from a duly qualified veterinary surgeon that, at the time of despatch from the place of export, the dog or cat was free from rabies or similar disease and that, for 6 months prior thereto or from birth, it had been kept in a district in which no case of rabies or similar disease had occurred. Importers of dogs and cats to produce certificate that animal is free from rabies.
6. If, in the course of transit from the place of export, any animal has been entered or landed at any port, the veterinary officer may refuse permission to enter or land it in Brunei Darussalam. Animals entered or landed in transit may be refused entry.
7. If the veterinary officer — Veterinary officer to issue permit on production of veterinary officer’s certificate.
 - (a) in the case of a dog or cat, is satisfied that the certificate referred to in regulation 5 is in order and that the dog or cat is in good health; or
 - (b) in the case of any other animal, is satisfied that the animal is in good health, he shall issue a certificate stating that the animal;

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(c) is free from any form of infectious disease; and

(d) is fit to be imported.

Animals infected or diseased may be destroyed.

8. (1) If, in the opinion of the veterinary officer, any animal is infected or is in such a condition that it is expedient that it should be destroyed, he may order it to be destroyed.

(2) Where the veterinary officer has, under paragraph (1), made an order, he shall as soon as possible inform the health officer thereof and give him all relevant information as to the case.

Animals subject to infection may be put in quarantine.

9. (1) If, in the opinion of the veterinary officer, any animal has been subject to infection or not being in good health is not in such a condition that it is expedient that it should be destroyed, he may direct that it shall be kept under supervision at the risk and expense of the importer until he is satisfied either —

(a) that it is healthy and may be delivered to the owner; or

(b) that it should be destroyed and he shall take action accordingly.

(2) Where the veterinary officer has, under paragraph (1), given a direction, he shall as soon as possible inform the health officer thereof and give him all relevant information as to the case.

Minister's power to prohibit importation of animals or their conveyance from one place to another in Brunei Darussalam.

10. (1) The health officer, on the advice of the veterinary officer, may recommend to the Minister that it is expedient for the Minister to exercise either or both of his powers under paragraph (2).

(2) If the Minister is satisfied that, owing to the prevalence of rabies or other similar disease, it is expedient, he may declare by public notification that for such time as he may prescribe —

(a) no animal shall be imported;

(b) no animal shall be conveyed from one place in Brunei Darussalam to another place in Brunei Darussalam without the express permission in writing of the veterinary officer.

Penalties.

11. A person who —

(a) being bound to report, fails to report the arrival in Brunei Darussalam of any animal;

(b) without the permission of the veterinary officer imports any animal; or

(c) contrary to the provisions of a notification made in that behalf under rule 10, conveys any animal from one place in Brunei Darussalam to another place in Brunei Darussalam,

shall be guilty of an offence: Penalty, a fine of \$200 and the animal may be confiscated or destroyed.

12. Subject to the Customs Act, an officer of customs may refuse to permit the importation of any animal until permission in writing of the veterinary officer is produced in respect of that animal.

Customs officials may refuse entry or landing of animal if permit is not produced.

Cap. 36.

Declaration under Regulation 10(2) of the above Regulations

It is declared that the importation or transshipment of all horses, asses and mules into or at any port in Brunei Darussalam shall be prohibited:

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Provided that this prohibition shall not apply to horses, asses and mules imported or transhipped directly from Australia, New Zealand, America and the State of Sabah.