

List of Regulations Governing the Common Animals or Products Carried by Passengers for Inspection and Quarantine

Precautions:

1. The list contains only statistics compiled from the cases of inward passengers carrying animals and plants or their products as reference. For animals, plants and products not listed and could not be determined of declaration for inspection and quarantine, passengers will need to contact with the Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine (BAPHIQ) in advance.

Contact Numbers:

Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine: 02-23431401

Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine – Keelung Branch: 02-24247363

Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine – Hsinchu Branch: 03-3982663

Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine-Taichung Branch: 04-22850198

Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine- Kaohsiung Branch: 07-8015880

2. Epidemic situations or inspection and quarantine regulations are subject to change in the latest announcement of regulations.

3. Inward passengers carrying animals, plants or their products involving food hygiene and safety, duties or endemic species shall contact with additional relevant competent authority.

4. Passengers carrying animals, plants and their products into Taiwan shall fill out the ROC Customs Declaration Form in details and declare through the red line for inspection. The BAPHIQ sets up the agricultural and poultry product disposal box on the arrival corridor and lobbies for inward passengers to voluntarily dispose the restricted animals, plants and products.

5. Passengers shall comply with “Inward Passengers Carrying Self-Use Agricultural Products, Tobacco and Alcohol, Specialty from Mainland, Self-Use Medicines, and Environmental Pesticide Restriction List” for the restriction on items. For more information, please contact with the Customs Administration, Ministry of Finance at toll-free number: 0800-311085.

6. Passengers carrying animals and plants or the products into Taiwan without declaration for quarantine accordingly will be imposed a fine of at least NTD3,000.

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Passengers who need to declare for animal quarantine.

Failure to submit the animal quarantine certificate from exporting country and nonconforming quarantine will be prohibited from carrying in.

1. Live animals and live aquatic animals (fish and the eggs, sperm, fertilized egg, shrimp, soft-bodied animals) (with the exception of dogs, cats and rabbits already acquired import agreement documents).
2. Animal meat (fresh, refrigerated, frozen, and cooked, including vacuum package): beef, lamb, deer, pork, horse, donkey, mule, chicken, duck, goose, turkey, pigeon, quail, ostrich, rat, and kangaroo...etc. and other meat.
3. Processed meat (including vacuum package):
 1. Dry or marinated meat such as dried meat, pork floss, pork wonton skin, sour meat, sausage, cured pork, hot dog, ham, duck kidney, chicken wings, chicken feet...etc.
 2. Filling including meat products such as rice dumpling, meat bun, meat roll, beef balls, pork balls, processed pork, dumpling, pizza, moon cake, almond pastry, chicken pastry, sandwich, hamburger, pork floss eggroll, pork floss shrimp cake, airplane meal or lunch box containing meal...etc.
 3. Broth liquid containing meat and Vermicelli containing meat filling that can be explicitly identified of meat and giblets by naked eyes (i.e. meat chunk, minced meat, ham, bacon, sausage, dried meat, and pork floss)...etc.
4. Uncooked egg (processed) product: fresh egg, duck egg, goose egg, embryonic egg (i.e. balut), preserved egg, and fresh salty egg...etc.
5. Animal feed: Dog and cat food containing animal ingredients (such as beef, lamb, pork, poultry, and poultry eggs) (including dry feed, canned food, snacks, and health food), animal leather products made into chewing products for pets (i.e. beef skin bone), and other prepared animal feed...etc.
6. Dairy milk and fresh milk.
7. Animal serum, animal vaccine, animal pathogen, animal source specimen, animal source biological products...etc.
8. Animal bone, horn, tooth, claw, and knuckle products (with the exception for those processed through polishing and coating).
9. Fresh, dry and salted animal skin (with the exception for tanning processing).
10. Unrefined or processed animal fat.
11. Bird's nest directly picked without processing (containing blood, feather, excrement and other stains).
12. Fish products: fresh, frozen and refrigerated salmon, trout, seabass, and cat fish without complete removal of organs.
13. Animal products adhered with soil.
14. Chinese herbal medicine containing animal ingredients (including fresh, dry or grinded powder): Calculus bovis, Gallus, musk, antler, animal penis, and bear gall...etc. (With the exception for dispensed medicines with commercial package such as tablets and capsule).
15. Organic fertilizer containing animal ingredients.

Remarks

1. Passengers are only allowed to bring dogs, cats and rabbits and other animals into Taiwan and shall acquire the import agreement documents (letter) from the BAPHIQ. Passengers need to enclose the animal quarantine certificate from exporting country upon arrival. Rabbits need to be isolated for inspection and quarantine for 7 days upon arrival. Cats and dogs brought from rabies-infectious region (country) shall be isolated for 21 days.
2. Cats and dogs may not be imported from Bangladesh.

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Exemption for declaration of animal inspection and quarantine.

1. ESL milk, powdered milk and cheese.
2. High-temperature sterilized canned food for human (Tin can or soft can but must confirm to the relevant regulations governing the food import by Food and Drug Administration of Ministry of Health and Welfare).
3. Cookies, cake and bread does not contain meat ingredients.
4. Cat and dog food does not contain animal ingredient and only dairy products of aquatic products (with clear product ingredients label or original instruction for determination).
5. Cooked egg (egg yolk and egg white needs to be completely solidified while the surface should be clean without dirt or ash) products (embryonic egg, regardless of cooked well or not, is prohibited from import).
6. Animal bone, horn, tooth, claw, and hoof products (i.e. bone marrow, horn marrow, tooth marrow, excrement, skin chunk, blood, or other polluting substance are prohibited from import) that have been polished, coated and processed.
7. Animal feather and fur products that have been dyed and processed as well as animal leather products that have been tanned and processed.
8. Refined or processed animal fat for human consumption.
9. Bird's nest finished product and high-temperature canned processed food that has been cleaned, processed, solidified, and dried into shape or cooked into porridge.
10. Aquatic products that have been processed by drying, marinating and preparing and fish products that vicus have been completely removed of organs.
11. Instant noodles, instant porridge, solid or powdered soup and other food.

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Plants and Plant Products

Items prohibited from carrying into Taiwan

1. Soil, plants with soil, plant products or other products.
2. Fresh fruits (i.e. , fruit, melon, areca).
3. Pests or live insects: pathogenic microorganisms, grasshopper, beetles, hercules beetles, and stag beetles.
4. Host plants or products listed under epidemic region prohibited for import: i.e. citrus, banana, palm, Tillandsia pineapple and bromeliads and other live plants, plants with roots (underground part), bamboo shoot, ginger, lotus root, banana leaves, Pear Scions, areca, uncooked peanut with shell, plant branch and wood with bark.

Refer to A. Animals or Plant Products Prohibited for Import of “ROC Import or Plant Product Quarantine Regulations.”

Exemption for quarantine and inspection

1. Processed dry plant products: Dried fruit with commercial package (i.e. raisin, dried longan), dried mushroom, dried Chinese herbal medical without seeds.
2. Plant products with full processing or preparation: i.e. canned food (canned fruit and jam), marinated food(sweetmeat, pickle, dried turnip, except salted ginger), and baked products (nuts, peanuts, tea leaves, coffee beans).
3. Dried plant products that have been grinded into powder: spice (chili powder, black pepper, and cumin powder), Chinese herbal medicine powder, grains and bean powder product.

Those required for inspection and quarantine

1. Before bringing the following products, please declare the inspection and quarantine at the quarantine counter (enclosure of quarantine related documents not required) with quarantine pass: dried plant products (excluding seeds): dried flower, dried vegetables, dried dates, dried figs, dried herbal spices, dried lotus with core kernel removed ,rice(brown rice and polished rice, excluding husk).
2. Before bringing the following products, please submit the plant quarantine certificate from the exporting country and declare the inspection and quarantine at the quarantine counter with quarantine pass: fresh vegetables (without underground part or fruit), fresh edible mushroom, fresh Chinese herbal medicine, nuts, other spices, and woods.

3. Before bringing the following products, please check whether the products have already been recorded. If not, apply to the BAPHIQ for first import agreement documents. If with records, please follow the quarantine criteria to process the related operations in addition to submitting the plant quarantine certificate from the exporting country upon bringing the products to Taiwan, in addition to declaring by the quarantine counter with pass before bringing the products to Taiwan:
 1. Live plants: Orchid plant, cactus, tissue culture seedling, and unrooted plant.
 2. Fresh vegetables (with underground part or fruit): shallot, carrot, turnip, yam, legume, and green pepper.
 3. Freshly cut flower and cut branch: orchid, chrysanthemum, jasmine, rose bouquet, wreath, and carnation.
 4. Flowering bulbs: tulip, lily, Dutch Amaryllis, hyacinth, Narcissus, Christmas Bells...etc.
 5. Seeds: Such as vegetable seeds (red beans, mung beans), flower seeds, rice crops, fruit tree seeds, seed spices (cumin seeds and coriander seeds), and Chinese herbal medicine seeds.
 6. Other products: Such as fresh ginseng.
4. Before bringing the following seedlings, applicants shall apply for approval of isolation in inspection and quarantine site from the BAPHIQ and can on import after acquiring agreement. To bring the seedling, please submit the relevant documents to the quarantine counter for declaration of inspection and quarantine in addition to isolating plants for quarantine: rose (such as rose seedling), prunus (such as cherry blossom seedling), Pyrus, Morus, chaenomeles, fragaria, malus, Passiflora edulis, vitis, guava, mango, lychee, longan, sugar cane, tea, pineapple, banana, and citrus.