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འབྲུག་ཕོ་ནམ་དང་ཟ་ཆས་ཁྲིམས་དྲིལ་དབང་འཛིན།  
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Bhutan Agriculture and Food Regulatory Authority (BAFRA)



## PROTOCOL FOR IMPORTATION OF BREEDING ANIMALS INTO BHUTAN

Any individual, agency or company wishing to import breeding animals into Bhutan should apply for import permit to the Bhutan Agriculture and Food Regulatory Authority (BAFRA), Ministry of Agriculture and Forests. The application for import permit should reach the office of BAFRA at least 4 weeks before the scheduled date of entry of such animals into Bhutan. The application for import permit must provide full details of the consignment as requested in the application form (**Application for import of live animal for breeding**). Once the permit is issued, the importer must book the identified quarantine station at least one week in advance. The importer must meet the following conditions at the time of importation.

1. All Animals are permanently identified by the brand or tamper-proof ear tag.
2. The animal (s) is/are accompanied by an approved certificate completed by the Government Veterinarian In-charge of the origin of the animal (s) attesting that:
  - a) All animals have been clinically examined within three days of movement and were found to be in a state of good health, free from obvious signs of infectious and contagious diseases and fit for breeding.
  - b) The farm (s) of origin, the area within the radius of ten kilometers therefore, is/are free from Rinderpest, Foot and Mouth Disease, Contagious Bovine Pleuro Pneumonia, Haemorrhagic Septicaemia, Black Quarter, Peste des Petits Ruminants, Blue Tongue, Swine Fever, Glanders, Dourine and have been so free during the three months prior to the date of certification.
  - c) The certificate shall also provide result of TB and Brucellosis test conducted within a month of shipment.
3. During their movement to the Bhutanese border the animals do not pass through an area in which there is active outbreak of Rinderpest, Food and Mouth Disease, Peste des Petits Ruminants, Blue Tongue, Swine Fever and other infectious diseases.
4. The Law of the exporting country permits export of such animals originating from that country.
5. Upon entry of such animals into Bhutan, they must be immediately presented to the BAFRA Officials for inspection.
6. The animal (s) shall be quarantine for minimum period of (15) days in the quarantine station identified prior to import of such animals.
7. These requirements will be amended as and when deemed necessary depending on the risk associated with the animals and the disease status of the exporting country.