

ANNEX A-I – Importation Procedures for Group I

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1. Import Notification

Regarding the importation of live animals and live plants, edible vegetable, Macao SAR requires adequate advance notification of origin, the proposed date of entry, the species' origin, quantity, means of transport, name of the frontier post to be used and treatment of the plants.

With respect to importation of a consignment of meat or products of animal origin destined for human consumption, Macao SAR requires adequate advance notification of the proposed date of entry, information on the origin, nature, treatment, quantity and packaging of the meat or products, name of the frontier post to be used. For wholesale importation, products are required to be consigned to establishments approved by the Municipal Affairs Bureau (IAM – Instituto para os Assuntos Municipais) and under its supervision.

The above mentioned border entry places are:

Aerial entry

- Airport Checkpoint;

Maritime entry

- KáHó Por t;
- Inner Harbour Ferry Terminal and Yacht Terminal Checkpoint ;
- Outer Harbour Ferry Terminal Checkpoint;
- Taipa Ferry Terminal Checkpoint;

Terrestrial entry

- Border Gate Checkpoint;
- Checkpoint of Macao Port Zone of Hengqin Port;
- Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Checkpoint;
- Zhuhai-Macao Cross-Border Industrial Zone Checkpoint;
- Qingmao Checkpoint.

The frontier Customs staff are under the jurisdiction of the Macao Customs Service (Serviços de Alfândega) and they are responsible for the enforcement of various Macao SAR legislation affecting importation and exportation of goods.

1.1 Import Declaration/Import License.

1.2 Sanitary or phytosanitary documentation (to be presented with the applications upon arrival of animals, plants or goods).

2. Documentational Control

2.1 Live animals (mammals, birds, reptiles, etc.):

- International Animal Health Certificate (provided by the veterinary Authority of the exporting country);
- Anti-Rabies Vaccination Certificate (dogs and cats) and Vaccination Certificate (covering other infectious diseases);
- Dogs and cats under four months old are not allowed to be imported;

- In accordance with Chief Executive Writ of Instruction no. 335/2016, import of some species of dogs and animals is prohibited.
- Airway Bill (if applicable);
- Import License.
- Other sanitary documents, such as analytical report (if applicable).

2.2 Animal products, fish, crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates (for human consumption):

- International Sanitary Certificate;
- With regard to labelling, Decree Law no. 50/92/M (which is updated by Decree Law no. 56/94/M and Administrative Regulation no. 7/2004) and Chief Executive Decision no. 556/2009 apply to all products;
- Airway Bill/Seaway Bill (if applicable);
- Import License or Import Declaration;
- Other sanitary documents, such as analytical report, packing list (if applicable).

2.3 Edible fresh vegetables, fruit and plants (for human consumption):

- Phytosanitary Certificate is required for import of plants. (The only exception is the exemption for edible plants imported from Mainland China.)
- Import Declaration;
- Airway Bill/Seaway Bill (if applicable);
- Other sanitary documents, such as analytical report, packing list (if applicable).

2.4 Live plants (any part of plants) and seeds for planting or propagation, mushroom spawn and animal or vegetable fertilisers:

- Phytosanitary Certificate is required for import of plants;
- Certificate of origin (if origin has not been stated in Phytosanitary Certificate);
- Import Declaration.

3. Sanitary/Phytosanitary Inspection

3.1 The sanitary or phytosanitary certification will have to be issued or certified by the official department of country of origin.

3.2 Sanitary or phytosanitary inspection will always apply to the following merchandise: live animals, animal products for human consumption, fish, crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates, edible ice, dog or cat food, vegetables, fruit, live plants, seeds, mushroom spawn and animal or vegetable fertilisers ; physical and laboratory examinations will apply whenever necessary.

3.3 Products will only be released after completion of proper document control and sanitary or phytosanitary inspection.

3.4 If upon sanitary inspection any products or animals are considered to cause risk to public health, or upon phytosanitary inspection any plants infected by or infested with a plant pest, they will not be released for commercial purpose and the importers will be immediately notified of the decision. Adequate sanitary measures regarding the retaining, quarantine, destruction or re-exportation of the lot will be applied. When the

sanitary/phytosanitary documentation is not correct, the importer can present the correct documents. If not, the products will be re-exported or destroyed.

3.5 In case of epidemics or any other sanitary problem in the country of origin, additional sanitary measures like complementary certification or interdiction of importation may take place.

3.6 Any encumbrance resulting from retaining, quarantine, re-exporting or destruction of the products (animals or plants) will be under the responsibility of the import agent.