## Attachment 7-3: Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Marsupials

- 1. The quarantine requirements regulate the importation of marsupials, including order *Dasyuromorphia*, order *Peramelemorphia* and order *Diprotodontia*.
- 2. Testing referred to in these requirements must be conducted by laboratories owned, designated or approved by the government of the exporting country using methods listed in these requirements; or prescribed, recommended or considered suitable by the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals (hereinafter the OIE Manual) for confirmation of population or individual animals being free from infection with pathogens of corresponding diseases. For diseases with no such testing methods prescribed, recommended or considered suitable in the OIE Manual, methods that have been published in international scientific journals may also be used.
- 3. For marsupials requiring an import permit as stipulated in the Wildlife Conservation Act, the permit must be obtained from the central competent authorities before applying for the importing quarantine premises or other designated places for post-entry quarantine to the import/export animal quarantine authority of the importing country.
- 4. To import marsupials, the following requirements shall be complied with:
- 4.1 Marsupials shall be raised in the establishments for at least 6 months prior to export or since birth in the exporting country.
- 4.2 The establishments shall comply with the following requirements:
- 4.2.1 The establishments are registered and approved for raising or captive breeding wildlife by the exporting country.
- 4.2.2 No cases of rabies, brucellosis, tuberculosis (*Mycobacterium bovis, M. caprae* and *M. tuberculosis*), Aujeszky's disease, melioidosis, anthrax, Q fever, Japanese encephalitis, tularemia and Trypanosomiasis have been confirmed in the previous year.
- 4.3 Before exportation, marsupials shall be detained in quarantine premises and under the supervision of the veterinarians accredited by the competent authority of the exporting country for at least 28 days prior to export. During the quarantine period, animals shall be examined and must be in a healthy condition without any clinical signs and subject to the following requirements:
- 4.3.1 The following tests are conducted and must have negative results:
- 4.3.1.1 For tuberculosis (Mycobacterium bovis): Intradermal tuberculin test;
- 4.3.1.2 For brucellosis: Serum tube agglutination test (SAT) with a result of 50 IU/ml or less;
- 4.3.1.3 For pseudorabies (Aujeszky's disease): Serum neutralization test (virus

neutralization, VN), or ELISA;

- 4.3.1.4 For trypansomiasis: Blood smear examination.
- 4.3.1.5 Other tests that are provisionally designated by the import/export animal quarantine authority of the importing country in response to international epidemic.
- 4.3.2 The anthelmintics are applied for internal and external parasites within 15 days prior to export.
- 5. Each consignment shall be accompanied by an original veterinary certificate issued by the veterinarians of the animal quarantine authority of the exporting country. The certificate shall state the following information in English or Chinese:
- 5.1 Type and origin of the animal:
- 5.1.1 Scientific name and common name;
- 5.1.2 Total quantity;
- 5.1.3 Sex, age or date of birth;
- 5.1.4 Individual identification number (microchip or ear tag);
- 5.1.5 The exporting country;
- 5.1.6 Name and address of the establishment of origin; and
- 5.1.7 Name and address of the exporter.
- 5.2 Destination
- 5.2.1 Country of destination; and
- 5.2.2 Name and address of the importer.
- 5.3 Result of the quarantine:
- 5.3.1 Statement attesting that the marsupials fulfill the requirements stipulated in Article 4:
- 5.3.2 Start and end dates of pre-export quarantine, dates of specimen collection, name of the test laboratory, and methods, dates and results of the tests. The name of the journals, the publication date, and title of the associated articles are required when using methods published in international scientific journals.
- 5.3.3 Name of medicine, dosage and date of treatments for internal and external parasites.
- 5.4 Date of issuance, name and official stamp of the issuing authority, and name and signature of the issuing officer.
- 6. The animals shall be transported in cargo holds with clean containers which have been treated with disinfectant approved by the competent authority of the exporting country. No additional feed, straw and forage, bedding or other susceptible animals are allowed to be loaded en route to the destination. The means of transport and transit shall comply with the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code and the Live Animal Regulations of the International Air Transport Association (IATA).