

## **IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF CANADA FOR HORSES FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

The following are the health requirements for permanent and temporary exportation of horses from the United States of America to Canada. For actual shipment use the model health certificate provided. See other information for further details.

### **CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS**

1. The animals were inspected by a veterinarian within 30 days prior to export and found to be healthy and free from evidence of communicable disease.
2. The animals were, to the best of the knowledge and belief of the issuing veterinarian, not exposed to any communicable disease within 60 days preceding the date of inspection.  
EITHER:
  - a. The animals have resided in the United States or Canada since birth; or,
  - b. The animals have met all of the import requirements of the United States and have resided in the United States for the past 60 days; or,
  - c. The animal has resided in the United States for less than 60 days and is accompanied by a health certificate from each country in which the horse has resided during the 60 days prior to entry into Canada.
3. The animals, at the time of the inspection, were found healthy and in a physical condition fit to be transported.
4. The exporter has been advised that any deterioration in health or physical condition of the animals that may render animals unfit for transport may result in the shipment to be refused entry to Canada.
5. A negative agar-gel immunodiffusion (Coggins) test or ELISA for equine infectious anemia within six (6) months prior to exportation is required. The test selected is identified in the commodity table. (Foals up to five months of age are exempt from the EIA requirement if they are imported into Canada at the same time as their dam and must be identified on the certificate of their dam or on a separate certificate of their own.)
6. The animals have not been on premises where *T. equigenitalis* has been isolated during the 60 days immediately preceding exportation to Canada or premises currently under quarantine or investigation for CEM. The females in the shipment have not been bred naturally to, or inseminated with semen from, a stallion positive for CEM, or a stallion resident upon positive premises or under quarantine or investigation for CEM. The animals showed no clinical signs of CEM on the day of inspection.
7. Regarding Vesicular stomatitis (VS), all states in which the animal(s) have resided in the past twenty-one (21) days were free from clinical and epidemiological evidence of vesicular stomatitis during the twenty-one (21) days immediately prior to export to Canada.
8. During the previous twenty-one (21) days, the animals in this shipment have not been in the State of Texas or New Mexico.

**NOTE 1: Horses originating from the states of New Mexico and Texas as well as Canadian horses returning to Canada from Texas or New Mexico will be able to enter Canada with an import permit issued by CFIA and the following additional certifications:**

- a) The animal(s) were inspected by a veterinarian within 15 days prior to export.

- b) The animal(s) were inspected for ticks and if necessary treated for ticks at the time of inspection.
- c) The animal(s) have not been on premises where equine piroplasmosis (clinical or serology) has occurred during the 60 days immediately prior to export, nor has this disease occurred on any adjoining premises during the same period of time.
- d) The animal(s) have tested negative to equine piroplasmosis using cELISA test during the 15 days prior to export.

Note to be included on the certification statements:

Fit to be transported means: that on the day of inspection, no animal has an infirmity, illness, injury or any other condition that could be aggravated when the animal is being transported and causing the animal to suffer.

### **TEST REQUIREMENTS**

Negative agar-gel immunodiffusion (Coggins) test or ELISA for equine infectious anemia within 6 months prior to exportation. (No test is required for nursing foals up to 5 months of age exported with dam or for horses exported for immediate slaughter).

### **OTHER INFORMATION**

Canadian origin horses returning to Canada must comply with CFIA requirements. Requirements can found at: [www.inspection.gc.ca/english/imp/airse.shtml](http://www.inspection.gc.ca/english/imp/airse.shtml)

Individualized health certificates should be used for export of horses to Canada.

A single health certificate can be used for multiple-horse consignments IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING PROVISIONS ARE MET:

- a. All horses must be from a single consignor, they must be consigned to the same destination, and they must come from the same premises of origin.
- b. All horses must have current EIA test charts, and these charts must be attached to the health certificate. These charts must have accurate drawn descriptions of the horse, adequate to unambiguously identify the animal and link it to the certificate
- c. All horses must be identified on the health certificate with a written description.

Note: All line-outs must be initialed

Veterinary Health Certificate for Export of Horses from the United States of America to Canada



Veterinary Authority  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Date Of Issue

Certificate Number

1. Consignor:

2. Consignee:

3. Country Of Origin:  
United States of America

4. State Of Origin:

5. Country Of Destination:  
Canada

6. Zone of Destination:  
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7. Place Of Origin:

8. Port of Embarkation / Border Crossing:

9. Estimated Date Of Shipment:

10. Means Of Transport:

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12. CITES Permit Number:  
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13. Description Of Commodity:  
Horses

14. Date of Inspection

15. Total Quantity:

16. Total Number Of Packages/Containers:  
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17. Additional Information:  
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18. Identification / Seal Numbers:  
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19. Commodities Intended Use:  
Breeding/Rearing      Competition/Racing  
(Temporary Admission Only)

20. Type Of Admission:  
Permanent      Temporary

21. Identification Of Commodities:  
(See next page)  
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2. The animals were, to the best of the knowledge and belief of the issuing veterinarian, not exposed to any communicable disease within 60 days preceding the date of inspection.  
EITHER: (select one)

The animals have resided in the United States or Canada since birth; or,

The animals have met all of the import requirements of the United States and have resided in the United States for the past 60 days; or,

The animal has resided in the United States for less than 60 days and is accompanied by a health certificate from each country in which the horse has resided during the 60 days prior to entry into Canada

3. The animals, at the time of the inspection, were found healthy and in a physical condition fit to be transported.
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8. During the previous twenty-one (21) days, the animals in this shipment:
  - a. HAVE NOT been in the states of Texas or New Mexico.
  - b. HAVE been in the states of Texas or New Mexico (**If B is selected, Note 1 below applies**)

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CFIA Permit #: \_\_\_\_\_

- a. The animal(s) were inspected by a veterinarian within 15 days prior to export.
- b. The animal(s) were inspected for ticks and if necessary treated for ticks at the time of inspection.
- c. The animal(s) have not been on premises where equine piroplasmiasis (clinical or serology) has occurred during the 60 days immediately prior to export, nor has this disease occurred on any adjoining premises during the same period of time.
- d. The animal(s) have tested negative to equine piroplasmiasis using cELISA test during the 15 days prior to export.

Test date: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Fit to be transported means that, on the day of inspection, no animal has an infirmity, illness, injury or any other condition that could be aggravated when the animal is being transported, causing the animal to suffer.

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Name of USDA-Accredited Veterinarian	Name of USDA Veterinarian
Signature of Accredited Veterinarian	Signature of USDA Veterinarian
Date	Date