

IMPORT CONDITIONS FOR LIVE SHEEP AND GOATS

A permit will be granted subject to the provisions of relevant veterinary regulations in force and the following terms and conditions:

1. All animal(s) must pass/passes inspection by the Veterinary Authority at the port of entry.
2. The animal(s) must be accompanied by a **Health Certificate** issued and signed by the Government Veterinary Officer of the exporting country, attesting to the following:
 - a. Animal(s) was/were born, raised, and continuously resident in the **COUNTRY** of origin and have not been in contact with animal(s) of lesser health status.
 - b. The flock(s) originate from a country, zone, or compartment that has been free from Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD), Contagious Caprine Pleuropneumonia, Peste des Petits Ruminants (PPR), Vesicular Stomatitis, and *Amblyomma variegatum* tick for at least 24 months prior to export; and free from Scrapie on the premises of origin for at least 3 years prior to export.
 - c. The flock(s) show no clinical signs of FMD, Contagious Caprine Pleuropneumonia, Peste des Petits Ruminants (PPR), Vesicular Stomatitis, Scrapie, Caprine Arthritis Encephalitis (CAE), Leptospirosis, Brucellosis, Listeriosis, Maedi-Visna (Ovine Progressive Pneumonia), Tuberculosis, or any other notifiable disease at the time of shipment; and are not progeny of animals known to be affected by Scrapie any other prescribed or infectious and contagious disease.
 - d. The animal(s) was/were held in approved pre-export isolation for a minimum of 15 days immediately prior to export, during which, they showed no clinical signs of infectious disease.
 - e. During or prior to isolation, the animal(s) was/were tested using internationally approved antigens within 30 days of export and were found negative for the following diseases:
 - Tuberculosis: Intradermal test using Bovine PPD tuberculin.
 - Brucellosis: Serum agglutination test (e.g. Card test) at a VS-certified laboratory or *B.abortus* complement fixation test (cold) at a 1:10 dilution.
 - Leptospirosis: Microagglutination test at a 1:100 dilutions for *serovars canicola, grippityhosa, icterohaemorrhagiae* and *pomona*.
 - Maedi-Visna (Ovine Progressive Pneumonia): Agar-gel immunodiffusion test or ELISA test.

- f. Animal(s) was/were inspected and found free of fresh or healing wounds and clinical signs of screwworm.
- g. Animal(s) originate from and have not transited through a zone under screwworm control in the last 60 days.
- h. Animal(s) was/were treated as follows:
 - For external parasites with an approved ectoparasiticide within 7 days prior to export.
 - For internal parasites with a broad-spectrum anthelmintic within 7 days prior to export.
 - No other therapeutic or immunogenic treatments were administered within 14 days prior to export.

3. The Health Certificate must include:

- Name and address of importer/exporter.
 - Species, breed, identification, sex, age, and number of animals.
 - Details of all treatments and tests in tabular format, including:
 - Date of administration/sampling
 - Name of product or vaccine
 - Manufacturer & expiry date
 - Type of test and result
 - Animal ID
4. No additional animals, genetic material (semen, embryos), animal products, or equipment are allowed in the shipment unless explicitly listed on the import permit.
5. BAHFSA must receive formal notification of the shipment at least seven (7) days prior to the schedule date of arrival in The Bahamas.
6. Animal(s) arriving with incomplete or non-compliant documentation, or showing any evidence of communicable disease(s) or ectoparasites at the Port of Entry, shall be refused entry and may be subject to immediate destruction of the animal(s) at the importer's expense.