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IMPORTATION OF POULTRY, HATCHING EGGS & DAY OLD CHICKS

This permit is issued subject to the conditions stated below. The Veterinary Authority of the B.V.I reserves the right to render this permit void at any time, when in its judgment, such is deemed necessary.

Conditions for importation:

- (1) Birds must be accompanied by a Veterinary Export Health certificate issued by a Veterinarian attached to the Veterinary Authority (Government) of the country of origin or export of the birds. Such health certificate shall state the following-
 - (a) There has been no outbreak of New Castle Disease or Avian Influenza (Fowl Plague) in the state or country of origin/ export for the last three (3) years.
 - (b) The breeding flock (s) and their parent flock (s) must be registered and/or officially recognized as being in good standing by the Veterinary Authority of country of origin.
 - (c) These flocks must be certified tested and/ or free of the following diseases:- Infectious Bursal Disease (Gumboro), Infectious Laryngotracheitis, Bronchitis, Avian Tuberculosis, Fowl Cholera, Fowl Typhoid- Pullorum Disease, Avian Reoviral infections Chronic Respiratory Disease, Marek's Disease and Avian Encephalomyelitis.
 - (d) Birds were inspected on the day of exportation and showed no clinical signs of infectious disease and have been treated for and/ or are free of internal and external parasites.
 - (e) Eggs, wrappings and containers have been inspected within 24 hours of export and found free of particulate matter, cracks, flies and other extraneous substances.
 - (f) Chicks selected are of first class quality and vaccinated against Marek's Disease.

- (2) Poultry and eggs must be accompanied by all relevant documents (Import Permit, Health certificate, vaccination certificate etc.) and presented to the official representative of the Veterinary Division for clearance.
- (3) Birds must be found healthy on arrival.
- (4) The Veterinary Division must be given at least 24 hours notice of confirmed arrival date, time, Airline/ vessel and port of entry. This unnecessary delays and avoid detention of animal (s) for Veterinary clearance at port of entry.