



VETERINARY HEALTH CERTIFICATE

**EXPORT DAY OLD CHICKS OF POULTRY
(DOMESTIC FOWL, DUCKS, TURKEYS, QUAILS, PHEASANT, GUINEA FOWL AND GEESE)
TO JAPAN**

EXPORTER _____

ADDRESS _____

IMPORTER _____

ADDRESS _____

I, the undersigned, official veterinarian designated by the competent central authority of Canada, certify that after due enquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, the day old chicks described below meet the following requirements.

1. There has been no outbreak(*1) of notifiable avian influenza (*2) in the exporting country for at least 90 days before the date of shipment to Japan and vaccination against Avian influenza (except for H3 type inactivated avian influenza vaccine) has been prohibited in the exporting country.

*1 - "outbreak" means an appearance of clinical signs, detection of specific antigen, detection of antibodies to Avian influenza or identification of the pathogens

*2 - "avian influenza" means an avian infectious disease caused by either;

- a) any influenza A virus of the H5 or H7 subtypes
- or
- b) any influenza A virus with high pathogenicity as defined in the OIE Manual of Standards for Diagnostic Test and Vaccines

When Canada has an outbreak of Avian Influenza H5N7 and the animal health authority of Japan has confirmed the fact in (1), (2) and (3) below based on information provided by the CFIA, the day old chicks are eligible to be exported to Japan from provinces which Japan recognizes as provinces free from AI:

- (1) the outbreak is caused by AI virus which has low pathogenicity
- (2) stamping out, disinfection and other necessary measures were taken at the premises which have the outbreaks.
- (3) the appropriate bio-security measures to prevent the spread of the disease, which include movement restriction of the poultry and surveillance for Avian Influenza, are fully performed in the affected provinces.

2. There have been no clinical outbreaks of fowl cholera, Newcastle disease, pullorum disease (Salmonella pullorum), avian infectious bronchitis, avian infectious laryngotracheitis, infectious bursal disease (Gumboro disease), fowl pox, fowl typhoid (Salmonella gallinarum), respiratory mycoplasmosis, Marek's disease, avian salmonellosis (Salmonella enteritidis and Salmonella typhimurium), low pathogenic avian influenza (any influenza A), "avian leucosis", avian tuberculosis, Lecocytezoosis, West Nile Virus infection, duck hepatitis, duck virus enteritis (only apply to day-old chicks of ducks and geese) on the premises of origin including hatcheries for at least 90 days before the shipment of day old chicks to Japan.

3. Bacteriological examination for avian salmonellosis was conducted on the premises of origin by one of the following procedures:

- a) the exported day old chicks originated from breeding flocks which were under an approved salmonella control program which guarantees that the parent flocks were free from avian salmonellosis. The breeding flocks and hatcheries were registered and supervised by the CFIA and shall be guaranteed free from Avian Salmonellosis by the said authorities,

or

- b) **samples mentioned in the appendix**, were subjected to cultural examination with negative results under the supervision of CFIA.

Sampling date: _____ Type of Sample: _____ No. of Samples: _____

4. Breeding flocks were examined for Avian Influenza every 90 days by the following tests approved by the exporting government authorities, and confirmed as negative. Sampling protocols are detailed in the Appendix.
- a. virus isolation by the inoculation of embryonated eggs **AND**
 - b. Haemagglutination inhibition **or** agar gel immunodiffusion test **(delete test not used)**

Sampling date: _____ Type of Sample(s): _____ No. of Samples: _____

5. The day-old chicks were examined by a veterinary officer of the CFIA within 24 hours immediately prior to shipment and show no signs of infectious diseases of poultry nor were any signs of disease present on the premises of origin.
6. The boxes and containers used for the transportation of the day old birds were either constructed of new material or have been thoroughly cleaned and disinfected with an effective disinfectant under the supervision of the CFIA.
7. The loading places, aircraft, vehicles and equipments were thoroughly cleaned and disinfected with an effective disinfectant under the supervision of the CFIA.
8. The exported day old chicks have not had any contact with other birds which are not of similar health status.
9. Vaccination information, if applicable.

Dates of vaccination _____

Kind of vaccine _____

Name of product and company _____

Volume (dosage) of vaccine _____

10. Identification of shipment:

a) Number shipped _____

b) Breed _____

c) Strain or kind of poultry _____

d) Name of establishment/premises of origin _____

e) Location of premises of origin _____

f) Official Registration Number of Hatchery: _____

g) Name and Location of Registered Hatchery: _____

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Date

Official Export Stamp

Official Veterinarian
Canadian Food Inspection Agency
Government of Canada

THIS CERTIFICATE IS VALID FOR SEVEN (7) DAYS AFTER THE SIGNING DATE.

APPENDIX - SAMPLING PROTOCOL

For Examination for Avian Salmonellosis and Avian Influenza

1. Samples for examination were obtained either from premises in which the flock of origin of the day olds birds are housed or from the hatchery to where the day olds were hatched.
2. The samples to be taken are:
 - (1) On the premises, faeces, dead or culled birds
 - (2) On the premises - respiratory swab and sera of flocks of origin (for Avian Influenza testing)
 - (3) At the hatchery - meconium, dead in shell and culled birds
 - (4) Environmental samples such as drag swabs, litter, fluff and dust in both the premises and hatchery (for salmonella evaluation)
3. The total number of samples described in the abovementioned to be taken on each occasion for respective diseases are as follows:

Number of birds in the flock of origin	Number of samples to be taken
1-29	1-20
30-39	25
40-49	30
50-59	35
60-89	40
90-199	50
200-499	55
500 or more	60

4. All samples have been selected at random.
5. The frequency of sampling has been at least monthly intervals (Salmonellosis only).
6. All samples have been fully marked and identified by date of sampling and flock.
7. Samples have been stored between 1 degree Celsius and 4 degrees Celsius.
8. All samples should be examined in a laboratory authorized for that purpose by CFIA.

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Export of Poultry to Japan

Avian Influenza Declaration

I, the undersigned, official veterinarian designated by the competent central authority of Canada, certify that after due enquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, the poultry described below have not been vaccinated for Avian Influenza nor do they originate from a flock or compartment that practices vaccination for Avian Influenza. No poultry vaccinated for Avian Influenza is exported to Japan.

Identification of shipment:

- a) Number shipped: _____
- b) Breed: _____
- c) Strain or kind of poultry: _____
- d) Name of establishment of origin: _____
- e) Location: _____

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