

GEN 1.4 ENTRY, TRANSIT AND DEPARTURE OF CARGO

1 Customs requirements concerning cargo and other articles

1.1. The following documents are required for the clearance of goods through customs:

1. Bill of entry Customs Forms CE 20.
2. The customs officer may require also form CE 06.

All Air Freight will be cleared at designated Customs aerodromes (see AD 1-1).

All the consignment of Air freight must be accompanied by the approved certificate forms of invoice, commercial invoice and supporting documents.

1.2. As regard to air cargo simply being transhipped from one flight to another flight at the same airport under proper Customs Officer's supervision, NO forms may be entered.

1.3. All air freights destined for places outside Zambia shall only be accepted by aircraft operators when the consignment note has been officially stamped by Customs Officer.

2 Agricultural quarantine requirements

2.1. Sanitary certificate or related documents are required in respect of certain animals and plant shipments. Before shipment of any animals or carcasses, seeds, tubers etc operators are requested to inquire from relevant designated authorities (refer GEN 1.1)

3 Requirements for importation and exportation of animals, animal product, by products, articles, animal feed, feed additives and veterinary products.

The Animal Health Act No. 27 of 2010 regulates the importation and exportation of the above-named products through the Department of Veterinary Services. It is compulsory for these products to have Sanitary Certificates, Health Certificates or related documents when these are imported, exported and carried in transit through the Republic of Zambia. These products may be inspected, quarantined, disinfected, destroyed, disposed of or returned to country of origin at the cost of the owner according to the assessment of the Veterinary Officer. The Veterinary Officer shall ensure that the conditions for the entry, transit of the above products are adhered to so as to prevent the introduction of animal diseases and ensure public health. The Veterinary Officer may take samples for further examination from any consignment. The vehicle and/or airplane by which infected consignment has been carried may be subjected to disinfection in a prescribed manner by the Veterinary Official.

The following will be subjected to compulsory sanitary measures and quarantine:

Live Animals or carcasses: these include vertebrates, other than human being, which includes a bee, butterfly, and other insects used in the production of animal products

Animal products: includes any meat, meat product or product of animal origin for human consumption, for use in animal feeding or pharmaceutical or agricultural use, and includes an embryo, ova, semen, blood, bone or bone meal, hide, skin, horn, fat, honey, unprocessed wool and feathers

Animal by products: includes part or entire body of an animal or products of animal origin that are not intended to be eaten by human beings

Article: includes gear, harness, seed, grass, forage, hay, straw, manure or any other thing likely to act as carrier of any disease.

Animal feed: includes substance of plant or animal origin which is intended to feed animals, any condimental food stuff or mineral substance which has nutritive properties, any stock lick or any substance which can be used as stock lick.

Feed additives: any substances that adds nutritive value to animal feed

Veterinary products: includes any medicinal or none medicinal products used for the prevention and control of animal diseases. These will include any products derived from living organisms and/or their products which includes, serum, vaccines, antigens, antitoxins, sample, diagnostic kits

Requirements of all persons

Every person on entering the Republic of Zambia shall be required to make a written or oral declaration with respect to animals, animal products, or any other thing that is the subject of regulations as stipulated above.

Notification of the arrival of regulated materials

The Customs Officials and/or Airport Manager shall notify the Veterinary Officials of an intended or unintended arrival of regulated material under the Animal Health Act as detailed above.

General Requirements

All documents and certificates accompanying imports or exports made under these regulations shall be presented in English language.

All cargo of animal or animal origin as detailed above for import, export or transit shall be clearly labelled to indicate the country of origin, name and address of shipper and name and address of consignor and consignee.