

**IMPORT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF
KOI, GOLDFISH, ZEBRAFISH, GUPPIES AND RED DISCUS (SUSCEPTIBLE TO OIE
LISTED DISEASE AND SELECTED DISEASE UNDER WTO G/SPS/N-MYS/26 Add.3)**

A. Live Fish : Ornamental Fish (Koi, Gold fish, Zebrafish, Guppies And Red Discus)

B. Country of Export : All (Except Indonesia for exporting Kois)

C. Purpose : Culture

D. Regulations for Importation :

1. Basic Requirement impose by Department of Fisheries Malaysia

1.1 Importers must be registered with

1.1.1 Department of Fisheries Malaysia (for peninsular Malaysia and Sarawak)

1.1.2 Department of Fisheries Sabah

1.1.3 Department of Agriculture Sarawak for inland fisheries

1.2 Importers must have a quarantine area approved by Central Competent Authority of Malaysia

1.3 The consignment shall be accompanied by a valid import permit issued by the Director General of Department of Quarantine and Inspection Services, Malaysia or Director of Fisheries Sabah or Director of Agriculture Sarawak

1.4 Health Certificate must be issued by Competent Authority from exporting country and still valid.

2. Description of Animal

2.1 NA

3. Animal Health Certification Requirements for Import of Live Ornamental Fish Into Malaysia (WTO G/SPS/N/MYS/26-Add 3)

The importation shall be accompanied by an original copy of health certificate issued by the competent authority (CA) of the exporting country in English, and providing information on the following:

3.1 Consignment details

i. Name and address of the aquaculture establishment of origin or location of harvest

ii. Date of the shipment

iii. Name of the exporting country

iv. Name and address of the exporter

v. Name of the competent authority of the exporting country

vi. Country of destination

vii. Name and address of the importer

3.2 Identification of the animals

i. Species: Scientific name and common name

ii. Quantity (in pieces)

iii. Total number of packages

3.3 Health Information

3.3.1 Health attestation that the fish in the consignment are free from the diseases listed as follows:

3.3.1.1 The fish originate from a country or a zone or an area or an aquaculture establishment that has been subject to an official fish health surveillance system equivalent to the relevant OIE standard and is officially recognized (by the CA of the country) as being free from Spring viraemia of carp (SVC)*, Koi herpesvirus disease (KHV)*, Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)*, Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis (EHN)* and White spot disease (WSD)*.

3.3.1.2 For Furunculosis (*Aeromonas Salmonicida*)* and Goldfish haematopoietic necrosis virus (GFHNV)*, there is absence of clinical signs suggestive of infection.

3.3.1.3 For Infectious Pancreatic Necrosis (IPN) there is absence of clinical signs

3.3.1.4 The fish have been examined within seven days before loading and found to be healthy and free from any clinical signs of disease.

3.3.1.5 The fish have not been kept in water in common with koi carp² or farmed foodfish (fish farmed for human consumption including recreational fishing).

* Keep as appropriate for the susceptible species

3.3.1.6 Additional health requirements for consignment(s) containing marine ornamental fish:

3.3.1.7.1 The fish are not sourced from a population associated with any significant infectious disease or pests and there have not been any unusual or substantial outbreaks of infectious fish disease or pests in the areas from which the fish have been collected during the 6 months prior to collection.

3.3.1.7.2 The fish were collected from an area at least 5 kilometres from any foodfish aquaculture operation and the fish in the consignment have not come into contact with water, equipment or fish associated with farmed foodfish (fish farmed for human consumption including recreational fishing).
2 Except in the case of export of koi carp.

3.3.1.7.3 The fish are wild caught and have not been bred or hatched on a farm or other premises.

3.3.1.7.4 The aforementioned health certificate may be drawn up taking reference from the model certificate of the Aquatic Animal Health Code of the OIE and shall include the following:

- i. The certificate reference number on every page
- ii. Name, address, official position, date, signature and official stamp of the CA

4. Quarantine Period

The imported live fish is subjected to quarantine at the registered importer's premise for 21 days depending on the species. Registered importers shall also comply to any post import measures imposed by the Department of Fisheries.

- Gold fish and Koi: 21 days

5. Labeling of consignments

5.1 The consignment is identified by a legible label on the exterior of every packing bag or container with the following information:

- 5.1.1 Name of aquaculture establishment
- 5.1.2 Name of importer
- 5.1.3 Commodity

6. Other Conditions

6.1 The consignment is accompanied with health certificates, Certificate of Origin, Import Permit, Invoice, Packing List and Billing Flight or Bill of Lading.

6.2 The consignment is accompanied by CITES permits and certificates of Origin (for the Arowana Fish).

6.3 Each species and number of fish in the consignment is as listed in the Health Certificate, Invoice and packing list.

6.4 The commodity clearly labelled on each box as follows:

- Koi (*Cyprinus carpio*) and gold fish (*Carassius auratus*) are clearly labelled with 'Coldwater fish species.'

7. Fee

The following fee is payable for each consignment Permit Fee :
Peninsular Malaysia :RM 15.00
Sabah :RM5.00

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