

CHAPTER 12.3.

DOURINE

Article 12.3.1.

General provisions

For the purposes of the *Terrestrial Code*, the *incubation period* for dourine shall be six months.

Standards for diagnostic tests are described in the *Terrestrial Manual*.

Article 12.3.2.

Dourine free country

A country formerly infected with dourine may be considered free again when:

- 1) a *stamping-out policy* has been practised for affected animals;
- 2) no clinical *case* of dourine has been observed during the past two years;
- 3) breeding horses have been subjected to a diagnostic test for dourine with negative results performed annually over a two-year period.

Article 12.3.3.

Recommendations for importation from dourine free countries for the past six months

For equines

Veterinary Authorities should require the presentation of an *international veterinary certificate* attesting that the animals:

- 1) showed no clinical sign of dourine on the day of shipment;
- 2) were kept since birth, or for the six months prior to shipment, in a country which has been free from dourine for not less than the past six months.

Article 12.3.4.

Recommendations for importation from countries considered infected with dourine

For equines

Veterinary Authorities should require the presentation of an *international veterinary certificate* attesting that the animals:

- 1) showed no clinical sign of dourine on the day of shipment;
- 2) were kept for the six months prior to shipment in an *establishment* where no *case* of dourine was officially reported during that period;
- 3) were subjected to a diagnostic test for dourine with negative results during the 15 days prior to shipment.

Article 12.3.5.

Recommendations for importation from dourine free countries for the past six months

For semen of equines

Veterinary Authorities should require the presentation of an *international veterinary certificate* attesting that the donor animals were kept since birth, or for the six months prior to collection of the semen, in a country which has been free from dourine for not less than the past six months.

Article 12.3.6.

Recommendations for importation from countries considered infected with dourine

For semen of equines

Veterinary Authorities should require the presentation of an *international veterinary certificate* attesting that:

- 1) the donor animals:
 - a) were kept for the six months prior to collection of the semen in an *establishment* or *artificial insemination centre* where no *case* of dourine was reported during that period;
 - b) were subjected to a diagnostic test for dourine with negative results;
- 2) the microscopic examination of the semen for dourine was negative.

NB: FIRST ADOPTED IN 1968.