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## **IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF MEXICO FOR HORSES (NON SLAUGHTER) EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES**

The animals must be accompanied by U.S. Origin Health Certificate issued by a veterinarian authorized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and endorsed by a Veterinary Services veterinarian. The certificate shall contain the name and address of the consignor and the consignee and individual identification of the animals to be exported. Additional information shall include:

### **CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS**

#### *Certificaciones*

1. The horse(s) were vaccinated at least 15 days but within 12 months prior to shipment against equine eastern and western equine encephalitis with \_\_\_\_\_ (name of product) on \_\_\_\_\_ (date).  
*Los equinos fueron vacunados al menos 15 días pero dentro de los 12 meses antes de la fecha de exportación contra encefalomiélitis equine del este y del oeste \_\_\_\_\_ (nombre del producto) el \_\_\_\_\_ (fecha).*
2. The horse(s) were not vaccinated with either a live, attenuated, or inactivated vaccine within 14 days prior to exportation.  
*Los equinos no fueron vacunados con vacunas a virus vivo, atenuadas o inactivadas durante los 14 días anteriores a la exportación.*
3. The horse(s) were examined and found to be clinically healthy and free of any evidence of infectious diseases and of ectoparasites.  
*Los equinos fueron examinados y se encontraron clínicamente sanos, y libres de enfermedades propias de la especie y de ectoparásitos.*

### **TEST REQUIREMENTS**

#### *Pruebas*

1. The animals were negative to the agar-gel immunodiffusion (Coggins) test for equine infectious anemia within 45 days prior to the date of export. (Show name of laboratory and date of test.)

### **OTHER INFORMATION**

1. All animals will be unloaded and inspected by a Mexican veterinarian at a facility in the United States at one of the following border points: Brownsville, Texas; Laredo, Texas;

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Del Rio, Texas; Eagle Pass, Texas; El Paso, Texas; Presidio, Texas, Columbus, New Mexico; San Luis, Arizona; Nogales, Arizona; Calexico, California.

2. The U.S. Origin Health Certificate must be typewritten. Mexican Port Veterinarians will reject any certificates that are handwritten.
3. The animals must be transported in clean and disinfected vehicles and must not come into contact with other animals during transport.
4. The enclosed appendix of bilingual certification statements may be used and attached to the health certificate (VS 17-140). The health certificate number and federal endorsement must appear on this attachment.
5. Although NOT a health requirement, the Mexican government recommends to the Mexican importer that the animals be vaccinated against equine rhinopneumonitis at least 14 days prior to exportation.
6. Horses remaining in the United States for more than 90 days or horses that have had reproductive activity in the United States must meet full Mexican requirements for United States horses.

Health Certificate No. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Valid Only if the USDA Veterinary  
Seal Appears Over the Certificate #)

**Appendix**

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Name of Issuing USDA Accredited  
Veterinarian

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Name of Endorsing Federal Veterinarian

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Signature and Date

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Signature and Date (Seal)