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IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF LEBONON
FOR HORSES EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES

The animals must be accompanied by a U.S. Origin Health Certificate (VS 17-140) issued by a veterinarian so 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 shipper, name and address of the consignee, and a complete identification showing natural and acquired markings of the animals to be exported. It shall also show that:

1. The United States has been free from dourine, glanders, horse plague (African horsesickness), Venezuelan encephalomyelitis, and surra for more than 1 year.
2. The animals originate from herds in which neither equine infectious anemia nor meningoencephalomyelitis (Eastern and Western equine encephalitis) has not been diagnosed within the 6 months prior to exportation.
3. Negative agar gel immunodiffusion test for equine infectious anemia within 30 days of the date of exportation.

At the port of embarkation, the USDA port veterinarian shall attach to the Origin Health Certificate the "Certificate of Inspection of Export Animals" (ANH or VS Form 17-37) showing:

- (a) the name and address of the shipper
- (b) the name and address of the
- (c) the number and species of the animals to be shipped
- (d) a statement that the animals "have been given a careful veterinary inspection at the port of export and found to be sound, healthy, and free from evidence of communicable disease and exposure thereto," (within 24 hours of exportation).

Other Considerations

Except for horses of the Arabian breed, only castrated male and spayed female horses may be imported for personal, sport, or exhibition purposes.