



**MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD PRODUCTION, FISHERIES AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT
VETERINARY AND LIVESTOCK SERVICES DIVISION**

CONDITIONS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF GAMECOCKS INTO ST. LUCIA

1. Gamecocks can only be imported through established ports of entry (seaports of Castries, Rodney Bay and Vieux Fort or the George FL Charles and Hewanorra International Airports).
2. Gamecocks must be accompanied by an Import Permit issued by the Veterinary and Livestock Services Division, in St. Lucia, before importation.
3. Gamecocks must be accompanied by a **Health Certificate** issued within 48 hours of importation and signed by the Government Veterinary officials in the **Country of Origin**.
4. All Game Cocks must be electronically identifiable, having had an acceptable type of micro-chip implanted. Microchips must conform to ISO standard 11784, and reader to ISO standard 11785. If the microchip does not conform to the standard, bird owners will need to provide their own microchip reader to enable the microchip to be read successfully.
5. Gamecocks must be exported directly to St. Lucia and must not come into contact with any other animals along the way except such for which a similar permit has been granted.
6. The **Health Certificate** issued in **(3)** above shall be dated within 48 hours of import and shall state the following:
 - a) The Gamecocks were inspected on the day of exportation and found to be healthy and free from clinical signs of any infectious/ contagious disease.
 - b) That the Gamecocks were born and raised in the country for which the permit is granted and have never left the said country.
 - c) There have been no outbreaks of New Castle Disease or Avian Influenza (Fowl Plague) in The Country of Origin for the last three (3) years.
 - d) The gamecocks were kept in isolation in a facility approved by the Veterinary officials of exporting country since they were hatched or 21 days prior to export and showed no clinical signs of infectious disease.
 - e) During the isolation period in **d)** above, the birds were tested for Avian Influenza and Newcastle Disease and test results were negative.

f) The Game Cocks originated from countries which are recognized as being free from:

1. Infectious Bursal Disease (IBD)
2. Avian Encephalomyelitis (AE)
3. Merek's Disease (MD)
4. Infectious Bronchitis (IB)
5. Infectious Laryngotracheitis (ILT)
6. Chronic Respiratory Disease (CRD)
7. Complicated CRD (Colibacillosis mycoces)

g) That gamecocks originate from establishments known to be free of Psittacosis **OR** have undergone 45 days Chlortetracycline treatment immediately prior to export to St. Lucia.

7. On arrival in St. Lucia, animals and documents must be inspected by a Veterinary Inspector prior to release.

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Chief Veterinary Officer

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Date