# IMPORT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF AQUATIC PLANT INTO MALAYSIA

- A. Commodity: Aquatic Plant
- B. Country of Export: All
- C. Purpose: Ornamental and Human Consumption
- D. Regulations for Importation:

#### 1. IMPORT CONDITIONS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL IN MALAYSIAN TERRITORY

- 1.1. Importers must be registered with, depending on the destination of the consignment;
  - 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
- 1.2. A valid import permit issued by (depending on the destination of consignment) the Director General of the Department of Quarantine and Inspection Services, Malaysia (MAQIS) or Director of Fisheries Sabah (DOF Sabah) or Director of Agriculture Sarawak (DOA Sarawak) is required.
- 1.3. The consignment is accompanied by Phytosanitary Certificate, Certificate of Origin, Import Permit, Invoice, Packing List, and Airway Bill or Bill of Lading.
- 1.4. The consignment shall be identified by a legible label on the exterior of every packing bag or container with the following information:
  - 1.4.1. Name of the establishment of origin or harvest
  - 1.4.2. Name of importer
- 1.5. Each species and number of plants in the consignment is listed in the Phytosanitary Certificate, Invoice, and packing list.
- 1.6. The commodity is clearly labelled on each box.
- 1.7. The plant must come from an officially recognized country, zone, farm or establishment unaffected by the WOAH-listed diseases.
- 2. PHYTOSANITARY CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE IMPORT OF AQUATIC PLANTS INTO MALAYSIA

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

### 2.1. Consignment details

- 2.1.1. Name and address of the aquaculture establishment of origin or location of harvest
- 2.1.2. Date of the shipment
- 2.1.3. Name of the exporting country
- 2.1.4. Name and address of the exporter
- 2.1.5. Name of the competent authority of the exporting country
- 2.1.6. Country of destination
- 2.1.7. Name and address of the importer
- 2.1.8. Origin of the aquatic plant.
- 2.1.9. Life stages

## 2.2. Identification of the plant

- 2.2.1. Species: Scientific name and common name
- 2.2.2. Quantity (in pieces)
- 2.2.3. Total number of packages

#### 3. IMPORT CONDITIONS ON ARRIVAL IN MALAYSIAN TERRITORY

- 3.1. All plants will be inspected by the (depending on the destination of consignment) Department of Quarantine and Inspection Services, Malaysia (MAQIS) or Department of Fisheries Sabah (DOF Sabah) or Department of Agriculture Sarawak (DOA Sarawak) on arrival to ensure that:
  - 3.1.1. they are healthy, (no clinical sign)
  - 3.1.2. the Phytosanitary certification and invoice are in order,
  - 3.1.3. they do not contain non-permitted material or material of biosecurity concern.

Aquatic plants not meeting these criteria and non-permitted material will be exported or disposed of at the importer's expenses.

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