

MINISTRY OF AGRO INDUSTRY AND FOOD SECURITY

COMMUNIQUÉ

IMPORTATION OF CATTLE

The Ministry of Agro Industry and Food Security invites application from potential importers of cattle for the importation of live cattle in connection with the forthcoming Eid-UI-Adha (Qurbani) festival.

2. Potential importers should already have quarantine facilities approved by the Division of Veterinary Services of the Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food Security, with a minimum holding capacity of 500 heads.

3. Potential importers are advised that each importer will be required to import a minimum of 500 heads and all animals should reach Mauritius at latest by **31 July 2017** for bio-security reasons.

4. All animals will be expected to observe a pre-export quarantine period of **14 days** prior to embarkation in the country of origin and which would be followed by another **14 days**-quarantine period after disembarkation of the animals in Mauritius.

5. Each importer will have to secure relevant import permit from the Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food Security as per standing procedures for importation of live animals.

6. Countries from which importation of cattle is authorised:

- South Africa
- Australia
- New Zealand

7. **Mode of Application**

Application should be made on prescribed application forms which are available at the Division of Veterinary Services, Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food Security, Réduit and submitted at the same address.

8. The closing date for submission of all applications for import permits shall be on **22 May 2017**.

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