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**IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF MEXICO FOR SLAUGHTER  
HORSES EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES**  
**REQUISITOS ZOOSANITARIOS DE MEXICO PARA CABALLOS DE SACRIFICIO  
EXPORTADOS DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS**  
**To be valid it must be accompanied by VS FORM 10-13**  
***Para tener validez debe estar acompañada de la VS FORM 10-13***

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:

*Los animales deben estar acompañados de un Certificado de salud expedido por un Médico Veterinario acreditado por el Departamento de Agricultura de los Estados Unidos y endosado por un veterinario de Servicios Veterinarios (USDA). El certificado debe contener el nombre y la dirección del cosignador, del cosignatario y la identificación individual de los animales señalando raza, sexo, edad y número de tatuaje y/o arete. La información adicional debe incluir.*

**CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS / CERTIFICACIONES**

1. The horse(s) in the shipment were examined and found to be clinically healthy at the time of inspection.

*Los equinos fueron examinados y estaban clínicamente sanos en la fecha de la inspección.*

2. The horses must be accompanied by the owner/shipper certificate.

*Los equinos deben viajar acompañados del certificado de dueño/transportista.*

3. The horses will be transported in cleaned and disinfected vehicles, and do not come into contact with any other animals not part of the shipment.

*Los equinos serán transportados en vehículos limpios y desinfectados y no estarán en contacto con otros animales que no sean parte del envío.*

**OTHER INFORMATION**

1. Slaughter horses may enter Mexico only through the Eagle Pass, TX; Brownsville, TX.; Laredo, TX.; Del Río, TX; Presidio, TX; Santa Teresa, New Mexico; Calexico, CA; and San Ysidro, CA. border-port crossing.

2. All animals will be unloaded and inspected by an official Mexican veterinarian, who will verify that the animals are clinically healthy and free of signs of infectious disease.

3. Following inspection, the animals will be loaded onto trucks that will be sealed. Such

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seals may only be removed by the veterinarian in charge of the slaughter plant authorized to receive the animals.

4. A verifying veterinarian designated by SAGARPA will oversee the import process and he will accompany the animals to the plant of destination. The expenses of this operation will be paid by the importer.