VETERINARY REQUIREMENTS FOR CROSS BORDER TRAVEL

Please see below the requirements that must be in order for you to travel internationally with your horse.

- 1. The horse must have a ZANEF issued ZONE IX passport. Should one be competing in any FEI 1* events it must be accompanied by a FEI Recognition Card or FEI Passport obtainable from your the Grading Secretary.
- 2. Confirm with your grading secretary or veterinarian if your passport is valid for the competition you are intending or going to.
- 3. Your groom needs a passport to travel.
- 4. African Horse Sickness 1 & 2 vaccine done within the last year and signed off by your vet in your horses' passport.
- 5. Rabies and tetanus vaccination valid and signed in your passport by your vet.
- 6. A valid equine Flu vaccine and vaccine history in your passport signed by your vet.
- 7. Flu vaccination is specific so ask your vet to check they are correctly done and valid for the time of the competition. If your horse has never had flu you can squeeze in a first course if you start the vaccine 29 days prior to the competition. Sometimes the equine influenza vaccine includes a tetanus vaccine too.
- 8. The horse must be microchipped for identification and indicated in the passport.
- 9. Your Horse's passport must have the ownership page, identification page, and height certificate page all completed and stamped by the NF.
- 10. The horse identification picture must be completed in the correct color ink and signed and stamped by a vet.
- 11. Always check the temporary import permit you are using to travel for the veterinary restrictions and requirements.
- 12. Currently Zimbabwe and Botswana both require a dourine test done on mares and stallions traveling to shows. This blood test must be done within 30 days of the competition. These blood tests need to be sent outside the country for testing so liaise with your vet for any queries and to have your tests done.
- 13. You will require export permits, temporary import permits to the country to be

visited and also re import permits plus some agricultural permits to travel. Ensure you leave at least 10 days to get these done in Zambia.

- 14. A copy of the import permit of the country being visited is necessary to ensure all their requirements are fulfilled before leaving and preferably have it at least a month prior to traveling.
- 15. On arrival at the competition contact the show veterinarian, as a health check on arrival is normally required by the host nation. Let them know ahead of time when you expect to arrive to save you time too.

Regards Alison