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Due to geographical isolation and strict import rules the Icelandic horse has remained virtually disease free. Horses in Iceland are not vaccinated and therefore the whole population could be very vulnerable to contagious diseases.

The following rules apply when importing riding equipment:

-  It is prohibited to bring used riding gear to Iceland.
-  It is prohibited to bring clothes which cannot be thoroughly cleaned or disinfected, e.g. leather gloves, boots, shoes, jackets, wax coats and helmets.
-  Used riding clothes which have been washed in a washing machine or dry cleaned can be brought to Iceland.
-  Riding boots and shoes made from rubber or other materials that can be disinfected, should be thoroughly cleaned and put in to a solution made from 2% Virkon S for 10 minutes before bringing them into the country.
-  Clothes and boots that have been in contact with other animals abroad must be treated the same way.