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Emirates' special flights to transport 247 Olympic horses

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Dubai: Emirates SkyCargo, the freight division of Emirates is operating eight charter flights to fly 247 horses from Liege to Tokyo recently, ahead of Tokyo Olympic 2021. The first flight with 36 dressage horses has already landed at Haneda airport, Tokyo. Emirates will be operating an additional eight flights for the return journey from Tokyo to Liege. The carrier is working with Peden Bloodstock, a leading international horse transportation specialist for this charter.

During the flights, the horses will be comfortably settled inside specially designed horse stalls. Emirates SkyCargo will be flying 131 horse stalls to transport the 247 horses. In addition, 59 grooms will also be flying with the horses on the eight flights to ensure that the horses are well cared for, fed, and watered during the journey from Liege to Haneda via a brief stopover in Dubai. Emirates will be transporting 20 tonnes of inflight food and drink for the horses along with 100 tonnes of special equipment for the onward journey from Liege.

Emirates has decades of experience in transporting horses across six continents for international sporting events. Emirates is also the title sponsor of a number of prestigious global horse racing tournaments and is a sponsor of Godolphin, the world's leading horse racing team.

Emirates has a fleet of modern <u>Boeing 777</u> freighter aircraft and a well-trained team to ensure that horses have a comfortable and stress-free flight experience. Emirates SkyCargo complies with regulations set out by national and international authorities on live animal transport including IATA <u>Live Animals regulations (LAR)</u>.

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