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**Ovine and caprine semen - Section A**

**Part II: Certification**

<b>II. Health information</b>	<b>II.a. Certificate reference No</b>	<b>II.b.</b>
I, the undersigned, official veterinarian, hereby certify that:		
II.1.		The exporting country ..... (name of exporting country) <sup>(2)</sup>
II.1.1.		has been free from rinderpest, peste des petits ruminants, sheep and goat pox, contagious caprine pleuropneumonia and Rift Valley fever during the 12 months immediately prior to collection of the semen to be exported and until its date of dispatch to the Union and no vaccination against these diseases took place during that period;
II.1.2.		has been free from foot-and-mouth disease during the 12 months immediately prior to collection of the semen to be exported and until its date of dispatch to the Union and no vaccination against this disease took place during that period.
II.2.		The semen collection centre described in Box I.11. and at which the semen to be exported was collected and stored:
II.2.1.		meets the conditions for the approval of semen collection centres laid down in Chapter I(I)(1) of Annex D to Directive 92/65/EEC;
II.2.2.		is operated and supervised in accordance with the conditions applicable to semen collection centres and storage centres laid down in Chapter I(II)(1) of Annex D to Directive 92/65/EEC.
II.3.		The ovine <sup>(1)</sup> /caprine <sup>(1)</sup> animals standing at the semen collection centre:
II.3.1.		prior to their stay in the quarantine accommodation described in point II.3.3.,
<sup>(1)(4)</sup> either	II.3.1.1.	originate from the territory described in Box I.8., which has been recognised as officially brucellosis ( <i>B. melitensis</i> )-free,]
<sup>(1)</sup> or	II.3.1.1.	have belonged to a holding which has obtained and maintained its officially brucellosis ( <i>B. melitensis</i> )-free status in accordance with Directive 91/68/EEC,]
<sup>(1)</sup> or	II.3.1.1.	originate from a holding, where in respect of brucellosis ( <i>B. melitensis</i> ) all susceptible animals have been free from clinical or any signs of this disease for the last 12 months, none of the ovine and caprine animals have been vaccinated against this disease, save those vaccinated with Rev. 1 vaccine more than two years ago, and all ovine and caprine animals over six months of age have been subjected to at least two tests <sup>(3)</sup> , carried out with negative results on samples taken on ..... (date) and on ..... (date) at least six months apart, the latter being within 30 days before entry into the quarantine accommodation,]
and		have not been kept previously in a holding of a lower status;
II.3.1.2.		have been kept continuously for at least 60 days on a holding where no case of contagious epididymitis ( <i>Brucella ovis</i> ) has been diagnosed in the last 12 months,
<sup>(1)</sup> and		[they are animals of the ovine species and have undergone during the 60 days prior to their stay in the quarantine accommodation described in point II.3.3. a complement fixation test, or any other test with an equivalent documented sensitivity and specificity, to detect contagious epididymitis with result of less than 50 ICFTU/ml;]
II.3.1.3.		to the best of my knowledge do not come from holdings and have not been in contact with animals of a holding, in which, based on the official notification system and according to the written declaration made by the owner, any of the following diseases has been clinically detected within the periods referred to in points (a) to (d) prior to their stay in the quarantine accommodation described in point II.3.3.
	(a)	contagious agalactia of sheep or goats ( <i>Mycoplasma agalactiae</i> , <i>Mycoplasma capricolum</i> , <i>Mycoplasma mycoides</i> var. <i>mycoides</i> "large colony"), within the last six months,
	(b)	paratuberculosis and caseous lymphadenitis, within the last 12 months,
	(c)	pulmonary adenomatosis, within the last three years;
<sup>(1)</sup> either	(d)	Maedi/Visna for sheep or caprine viral arthritis/encephalitis for goats, within the last three years;]

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	<p><sup>(1)or</sup> [(d) Maedi/Visna for sheep or caprine viral arthritis/encephalitis for goats, within the last 12 months, and all the infected animals were slaughtered and remaining animals subsequently reacted negatively to two tests carried out at least six months apart;]</p> <p>II.3.2. have undergone the following tests carried out on a blood sample collected within the 28 days preceding the commencement of the period of quarantine specified in point II.3.3. for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– brucellosis (<i>B. melitensis</i>), with negative results in each case in accordance with Annex C to Directive 91/68/EEC;</li> <li>– contagious epididymitis (<i>Brucella. ovis</i>), in the case of sheep only, with negative results in each case in accordance with Annex D to Directive 91/68/EEC, or any other test with an equivalent documented sensitivity and specificity;</li> <li>– border disease in accordance with point 1.4(c) of Chapter II(II) of Annex D to Directive 92/65/EEC;</li> </ul> <p>II.3.3. have satisfied the quarantine isolation period of at least 28 days in a quarantine accommodation specifically approved for the purpose by the competent authority and during that period:</p> <p>II.3.3.1. only animals of at least the same health status were present in the quarantine accommodation;</p> <p>II.3.3.2. the animals have undergone the following tests, carried out by the laboratory approved by the competent authority of the exporting country on samples taken not earlier than 21 days after the animals were admitted to the quarantine accommodation, for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– brucellosis (<i>B. melitensis</i>) with negative results in each case in accordance with Annex C to Directive 91/68/EEC;</li> <li>– contagious epididymitis (<i>Brucella ovis</i>), in the case of sheep only, with negative results in each case in accordance with Annex D to Directive 91/68/EEC, or any other test with an equivalent documented sensitivity and specificity;</li> <li>– border disease in accordance with point 1.6 of Chapter II(II) of Annex D to Directive 92/65/EEC;</li> </ul> <p>II.3.4. have undergone at least once a year the routine tests for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– brucellosis (<i>B. melitensis</i>) with negative results in each case in accordance with Annex C to Directive 91/68/EEC;</li> <li>– contagious epididymitis (<i>Brucella ovis</i>), in the case of sheep only, with negative results in each case in accordance with Annex D to Directive 91/68/EEC, or any other test with an equivalent documented sensitivity and specificity;</li> <li>– border disease in accordance with point 5(c) of Chapter II(II) of Annex D to Directive 92/65/EEC.</li> </ul>		
II.4.	<p>The semen to be exported was obtained from donor rams<sup>(1)</sup>/bucks<sup>(1)</sup> which:</p> <p>II.4.1. were admitted to the approved semen collection centre with the express permission of the centre veterinarian.</p> <p>II.4.2. show no clinical signs of disease on the day of admission to the approved semen collection centre and on the day the semen was collected;</p> <p><sup>(1)either</sup> [II.4.3. have not been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease during the 12 months prior to collection of the semen;]</p> <p><sup>(1)or</sup> [II.4.3. have been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease at least 30 days prior to the collection, and 5 % (with a minimum of five straws) of each collection have been submitted to a virus isolation test for foot-and-mouth disease with negative results;]</p> <p>II.4.4. have been kept at an approved semen collection centre for a continuous period of at least 30 days immediately prior to collection of the semen, in the case of collections of fresh semen;</p>		

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	II.4.5.		have not served naturally after their entry to the quarantine accommodation described in point II.3.3. and up to and including the day of semen collection;
	II.4.6.		have been kept at approved semen collection centres:
	II.4.6.1.		which have been free from foot-and-mouth disease for at least three months prior to collection of the semen and 30 days after collection or, in the case of fresh semen, until the date of dispatch, and which are situated in the centre of an area of 10 kilometres radius in which there has been no case of foot-and-mouth disease for at least 30 days prior to collection of the semen;
	II.4.6.2.		which have been free, during the period commencing 30 days prior to collection and ending 30 days after collection of the semen or, in the case of fresh semen, until the date of dispatch, from brucellosis ( <i>B. melitensis</i> ), contagious epididymitis ( <i>Brucella. ovis</i> ), anthrax and rabies;
	<sup>(1)</sup> either	[II.4.7.	have remained in the exporting country for at least the past six months prior to collection of the semen to be exported;]
	<sup>(1)</sup> or	[II.4.7.	during the last six months prior to collection of the semen they complied with the animal health conditions applying to donors of the semen which is intended for export to the Union and they have been imported into the exporting country at least 30 days prior to collection of the semen from ..... <sup>(2)</sup> ;
	<sup>(1)</sup> either	[II.4.8.	were kept in a bluetongue virus-free country or zone for at least 60 days prior to, and during, collection of the semen;]
	<sup>(1)</sup> or	[II.4.8.	were kept during a bluetongue virus seasonally free period in a seasonally free zone for at least 60 days prior to, and during collection of the semen;]
	<sup>(1)</sup> or	[II.4.8.	were kept in a vector-protected establishment for at least 60 days prior to, and during collection of the semen;]
	<sup>(1)</sup> or	[II.4.8.	were subjected to a serological test for the detection of antibody to the bluetongue virus group, carried out in accordance with the OIE Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals, with negative results, on blood samples taken at least every 60 days throughout the collection period and between 21 and 60 days after the final collection for this consignment of semen;]
	<sup>(1)</sup> or	[II.4.8.	were subjected to an agent identification test for bluetongue virus, carried out in accordance with the Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals with negative results on blood samples taken at commencement and final collection for this consignment of semen and at least every 7 days (virus isolation test) or at least every 28 days (PCR test) during collection for this consignment of semen;]
	<sup>(1)(5)</sup> either	[II.4.9.	were resident in the exporting country which according to official findings is free from epizootic haemorrhagic disease (EHD);]
	<sup>(1)</sup> or	[II.4.9.	were resident in the exporting country in which according to official findings the following serotypes of epizootic haemorrhagic disease (EHD) exist: ..... and were subjected with negative results in each case to:
	<sup>(1)</sup> either		[a serological test <sup>(6)</sup> for the detection of antibody to the EHDV group carried out in an approved laboratory on samples of blood taken on two occasions not more than 12 months apart prior to and not less than 21 days after the final collection for this consignment of semen.]]
	<sup>(1)</sup> or		[a serological test <sup>(6)</sup> for the detection of antibody to the EHDV group, carried out in an approved laboratory on samples of blood taken at intervals of not more than 60 days throughout the collection period and between 21 and 60 days after the final collection for this consignment of semen.]]
	<sup>(1)</sup> or		[an agent identification test <sup>(6)</sup> carried out in an approved laboratory on samples of blood taken at commencement and conclusion of, and at least every 7 days (virus isolation test) or at least every 28 days (PCR test) during collection for this consignment of semen.]]
	II.4.10.		have been kept continuously since birth in a country where the following conditions are fulfilled:

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	II.4.10.1. classical scrapie is compulsorily notifiable;		
	II.4.10.2. an awareness, surveillance and monitoring system is in place;		
	II.4.10.3. ovine and caprine animals affected with classical scrapie are killed and completely destroyed;		
	II.4.10.4. the feeding to ovine and caprine animals of meat-and-bone meal, or greaves of ruminant origin has been banned and effectively enforced in the whole country for a period of at least the last seven years;		
<sup>(1)</sup> either	[II.4.11. have been kept continuously for the last three years before the collection of the semen to be exported in a holding or holdings which has/have been complying for the last three years before the collection of the semen to be exported with the requirements laid down in points 1.3. (a) to (f) of Section A of Chapter A of Annex VIII to Regulation (EC) No 999/2001;]		
<sup>(1)</sup> or	[II.4.11. are ovine animals of ARR/ARR prion protein genotype.]		
II.5.	The semen to be exported:		
	II.5.1. was collected after the date on which the semen collection centre was approved by the competent authority of the exporting country;		
	II.5.2. was collected, processed, preserved, stored and transported in accordance with the requirements applicable to semen laid down in Chapter III(I) of Annex D to Directive 92/65/EEC;		
	II.5.3. was sent to the place of loading in a sealed container in accordance with the requirements for semen to be subject to trade laid down in point 1.4 of Chapter III(I) of Annex D to Directive 92/65/EEC and bearing the number indicated in Box I.23.		
<sup>(1)</sup> either	[II.6. No antibiotics were added to the semen.]		
<sup>(1)</sup> or	[II.6. The following antibiotic or combination of antibiotics was added to produce a concentration in the final diluted semen of not less than <sup>(7)</sup> : ..... ]		
<b>Notes</b>			
<b>Part I:</b>			
Box I.6.:	<i>Person responsible for the load in EU:</i> this box is to be filled in only if it is a certificate for transit commodity.		
Box I.11.:	<i>Place of origin</i> shall correspond to the approved semen collection centre in which the semen was collected and listed in accordance with Article 17(3)(b) of Directive 92/65/EEC on the Commission website: <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/semen_ova/ovine/index_en.htm">http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/semen_ova/ovine/index_en.htm</a> .		
Box I.22.:	Number of packages shall correspond to the number of containers.		
Box I.23.:	Identification of container and seal number shall be indicated.		
Box I.26.:	Fill in according to whether it is a transit or an import certificate.		
Box I.27.:	Fill in according to whether it is a transit or an import certificate.		
Box I.28.:	<i>Species:</i> select amongst “ <i>Ovis aries</i> ” or “ <i>Capra hircus</i> ” as appropriate. <i>Donor identity</i> shall correspond to the official identification of the animal. <i>Date of collection</i> shall be indicated in the following format: dd.mm.yyyy. <i>Approval number of the centre</i> shall correspond to the approval number of the semen collection centre indicated in Box I.11.		
<b>Part II:</b>			
(1)	Delete as necessary.		
(2)	Only third countries listed in Annex I to Decision 2010/472/EU.		
(3)	Tests shall be carried out in accordance with Annex C to Directive 91/68/EEC.		
(4)	Only for the territory appearing with the entry "V" in column 6 of Part 1 of Annex I to Commission Regulation (EU) No 206/2010 (OJ L 73, 20.3.2010, p. 1.).		
(5)	See remarks for exporting country concerned in Annex I to Decision 2010/472/EU.		

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<p><sup>(6)</sup> Standards for EHD virus diagnostic tests are described in Chapter 2.1.3. of the OIE Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals.</p> <p><sup>(7)</sup> Insert names and concentrations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The signature and the stamp must be in a different colour to that of the printing.</li></ul>		
<p>Official veterinarian</p> <p>Name (in capital letters):</p> <p>Date:</p> <p>Stamp:</p> <p>Qualification and title:</p> <p>Signature:</p>		