INSPECTION CHECKLIST
FOR APPROVAL OF AN EQUINE SEMEN COLLECTION CENTER (SCC)
FOR EXPORT TO AUSTRALIA

Name of center: ___________________________ Date of inspection: __________

Address: __________________________________ City: ______________________

State _____ Zip Code ______

Facility owner/manager: ____________________ Phone: ____________________

Center veterinarian: ________________________ Phone: ____________________

Type of inspection: _______ Initial ________ Re-approval

APHIS approval number: __________________________

(1) _____ The SCC is inspected and approved by an APHIS veterinarian either:
- prior to commencement of each period of collection of semen for export to
  Australia (no more than 12 months before the last date of collection for
  semen in the consignment), or
- annually if the center is used continuously.

(2) _____ The SCC is under the supervision of a Federally accredited center veterinarian.

(3) _____ The United States has been free from African horse sickness, dourine, glanders, and
Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis (VEE) for 2 years; and from surra and Borna
disease for 12 months.

(4) _____ The SCC is located on a premises which has been free from Eastern equine
encephalomyelitis (EEE) and Western equine encephalomyelitis (WEE) for 12
months.

(5) _____ The SCC is located in a part of the United States where no case of vesicular
stomatitis has been reported within a 15 km radius during the previous 12 months.

(6) _____ The SCC is sited so that, for the duration of the period of collection for export of
semen to Australia, direct contact is prevented between horses in the center and other
equines on the premises.

(7) _____ The SCC is surrounded by two secure stock-proof fences at least 5 meters apart,
except where the wall of a building forms part of the perimeter.
(8) Stables are constructed so that they can be readily cleaned and disinfected.

(9) All hard surfaces have been adequately cleaned and disinfected, and exercise yards, holding yards, and paddocks have been left fallow for sufficient time to allow decontamination.

(10) A room, building, or mobile laboratory is set aside for the processing of semen, and is separate from areas where semen is collected and animal housing. This area is cleaned and disinfected before use.

(11) During the collection period, the center is occupied only by the donor stallions and other horses of the same health status.

(12) Personnel attending the horses change outer clothing and footwear and wash their hands thoroughly before handling the animals.

(13) Personnel processing semen are trained in, and practice, proper disinfection procedures and hygiene techniques.

(14) All equipment used in the feeding, handling, and treatment of the horses in the center is new or cleaned and disinfected before use, and is dedicated to use in the center for the duration of the collection period.

(15) All equipment used to collect, process, and store the semen and/or which comes into contact with either the donor stallions or the semen is new and disposable or cleaned and disinfected before and between uses.

(16) Semen is stored in a secure area.

(17) Detailed records are kept at the SCC including:
- identification of all horses in the center
- dates of entry of horses into the center
- origin of the horses entering the center
- testing results
- disease investigation results (if applicable)
- therapeutic and/or prophylactic treatments
- health records
- copies of APHIS inspection reports

(18) Unauthorized access to the SCC is prohibited, and entry of all visitors is logged.
APHIS Recommendation:  ______ Approval
                            ______ Disapproval (list reason):

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Signatures:

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Owner/Agent                                  APHIS Veterinarian

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Date                                         Date