

## **Attestation for LIVE Aquatic Animals and Germplasm Intended for Research and Education**

### **Zoosanitary Information**

1. The population, broodstock or their germplasm to be exported must originate from a premises that is tested free of the disease(s) listed in section 4 as per ([http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/animals/animal\\_canada.shtml](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/animals/animal_canada.shtml))
2. The disease(s) listed in Section 4 are compulsorily notifiable to the USDA APHIS. For non-OIE listed diseases the animals were tested to meet and found free of diseases listed in Section 4.
3. The premises of origin have a biosecurity plan that prevents the direct and indirect exposure of aquatic animals to the disease(s) listed in Section 4.
4. Transport water that is used the water is sourced from the premises of origin of the aquatic animals, or has been treated in a manner that will prevent the introduction of the diseases in Section 4.
5. All tests required for the aquatic animal(s) to qualify for export to Canada are performed by a laboratory approved by the USDA APHIS.

OR

For Live aquatic animals:

1. The population or broodstock of aquatic animals destined for export to Canada were tested and found negative for the disease(s) listed in the table in Section 4. Specific diagnostic testing information is available under aquatic animal instructions on-line at [http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/animals/animal\\_canada.shtml](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/animals/animal_canada.shtml). When finfish broodstock are repeat spawners, ovarian fluids can be used for testing. For Mollusc seed, the broodstock were tested as per the instructions on-line and found negative for the disease(s) listed in the table in Section 4.
2. For those diseases listed in the table in Section 4 that cannot be confirmed by diagnostic testing, the population to be exported are free of visual lesions of those diseases. Specific diagnostic information is available under aquatic animal instructions on-line at [http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/animals/animal\\_canada.shtml](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/animals/animal_canada.shtml). For Mollusc seed, the broodstock were tested as per the instructions on-line and found negative for the disease(s) listed in the table in Section 4.
3. If new introductions of susceptible species were imported into the originating premise(s), they came from a premise(s) that is (are) EITHER free of diseases listed in Section 4, OR the new introductions were quarantined and tested for the diseases in Section 4.

4. All tests required for the aquatic animal(s) to qualify for export to Canada are performed by a laboratory approved by the USDA APHIS.
5. The broodstock populations and/or the population to be exported have not experienced any unexplained morbidity or mortality events within the previous 3 months prior to export.
6. The aquatic animal(s) and/or their broodstock are not under any restriction by USDA-APHIS or intended for destruction or slaughter for disease control purposes.
7. For live aquatic animals, either the animals were fed commercial feed OR if the aquatic animal(s) have been fed raw or live aquatic animals, the feed was from animals which are not susceptible to diseases as indicated in the table found in Section 4 OR the feed was tested and certified as free of the diseases as indicated in the table found in Section 4 to which the species is considered susceptible.
8. The shipment is, to the best of my knowledge, is free from visible ectoparasites and intermediate hosts or for molluscs, the shipment has been treated in a manner which will destroy the fellow travellers
9. To the best of my knowledge, only those species specified in the import permit are included in the shipment.
10. The disease(s) listed in Section 4 are compulsorily notifiable to the USDA APHIS. For non-OIE listed diseases the animals were tested and free of the diseases listed in Section 4.
11. To the best of my knowledge, the aquatic animals to be exported are not exposed to any other animals or water (or ice if applicable) of a lesser health status. Only water from this premise(s) of the same health status as the shipment is used in this shipment.

**In addition to the conditions above, the following conditions must be met for the export of germplasm to Canada:**

12. Any eggs that originate from an ISAV HPRO positive broodstock must not be included in the shipment.
13. The eggs must have been surfaced disinfected according to the OIE Manual of Diagnostic Test and Procedures for Aquatic Animals.