

Questionnaire for the approval of equine semen storage centre			
Number	Reference	Question	Y = Yes N = No
1. General criteria			
1.1	92/65/EEC Council Directive Article 17 Point 2 (a)	Is the third country or parts of the territory of third country listed in columns 2 and 4 of Annex I to Commission Decision 2004/211/EC for export of equine semen	
1.2.	2004/211/EC Commission Decision, Annex I	Is the country listed for certain categories of equidae only	
1.3.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Article 12 Point 1 (measures equivalent)	Are the checks at origin carried out equivalent to the requirements laid down in Article 3 of Directive 90/425/EEC	
1.4.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Article 12 Point 2	Are the rules on disease notification established in Directives 90/425/EEC and 92/65/EEC applied and the diseases listed in Annex I to Directive 2009/156/EC are compulsorily notifiable	
1.5.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Article 12 Point 4 (measures equivalent)	Are arrangements in place to pre-notify the arrival of a consignment at an approved border inspection post for the checks required in accordance with Council Directive 97/78/EC	
1.6.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Article 12 Point 5	Does the competent authority have the legal power to carry out checks where it is suspected that the provisions governing semen storage centres have not been complied with or there is a doubt as for the quality of semen	
1.7.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Article 12 Point 6	Are administrative or penal measures available to penalize any infringement of the provisions governing semen storage centres in particular as for the certificates and the control of products concerned therefore	
2. Technical conditions to be applied for semen storage centre			
2.1.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex A Chapter I (I) Point 2 (b)	Is the centre placed under the permanent supervision of a centre veterinarian authorised by the competent authorities	
2.2.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex A Chapter I (I) Point 2 (c)	Does the centre have a semen storage room furnished with the necessary installation to store the semen and./or the embryos which is so constructed that it protects those products and the installation from adverse weather and environment effects	
2.3.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex A Chapter I (I) Point 2 (d)	Is the centre so constructed that contact with outside livestock or other animals is prevented	
2.4	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex A Chapter I (I) Point 2 (e)	Is the centre so constructed that the entire centre, except the office rooms and the exercise area, can be readily clean and disinfected	
2.5	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex A Chapter I (I) Point 2 (f)	Is the centre so constructed that unauthorised access of people is effectively prevented	

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3. Health conditions to be applied for semen storage centre			
3.1.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I (II) Point 2.1 (a)	Is the status of the donor animals whose semen is stored at the centre in compliance with the requirements of Directive 92/65/EEC	
3.2.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I (II) Point 2.1 (b)	Is the entry of unauthorised persons prevented and are the authorised visitors required to comply with the conditions laid down by the centre veterinarian	
3.3	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I (II) Point 2.1 (b)	Has the staff received adequate training on disinfection and hygiene techniques to prevent the spread of disease	
3.4	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I (II) Point 2.1 (c)	Are records kept of all movement of semen entering and leaving the storage centre	
3.5	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I (II) Point 2.2 (a)	Does the stored semen come from approved semen collection or storage centers and is transported in conditions offering every possible health guarantee, having had no contact with semen not complying with Directive 92/65/EEC	
3.6	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I (II) Point 2.2 (b)	Is storage of semen carried out only on the premises set aside for the purpose and under strict conditions of hygiene	
3.7.1	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I (II) Point 2.2 (c)	Are procedures in place to ensure that all instruments which come into contact with the semen are properly disinfected or sterilised prior to use	
3.7.2		If no, are only single-use instruments used which are discarded after use	
3.8.1	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I (II) Point 2.2 (d)	Are procedures in place to ensure that the storage containers and transport containers are either properly disinfected or sterilised before the commencement of each filling operation	
3.8.2		If no, are only single-use containers used that are discarded after use	
3.9	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I (II) Point 2.2 (e)	Are procedures in place to ensure that the cryogenic agents are not used previously for other products of animal origin	
3.10.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I (II) Point 2.2 (f)	Is each individual dose of semen clearly marked showing data as follows:	
3.10.1.		date of collection	
3.10.2		the species	
3.10.3		the breed	
3.10.4		the identification of the donor animal	
3.10.5		the approval number of the semen collection centre	
3.11	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I (II) Point 2.4	Is the centre inspected at least twice every calendar year by an official veterinarian in order to verify, where necessary based on records, standard operating procedures and internal audits, all matters relating to the conditions of approval, supervision and monitoring	