

**Veterinary Health Certificate for Export of Ovine and Caprine Embryos  
from the United States of America to the Republic of Ghana**



<b>Veterinary Authority</b> UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	<b>Date Of Issue</b>	<b>Certificate Number</b>
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<b>1. Consignor:</b>	<b>2. Consignee:</b>
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<b>3. Country Of Origin:</b> USA	<b>4. State Of Origin:</b>
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<b>5. Country Of Destination:</b> GHANA	<b>6. Zone Of Destination:</b> *****
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<b>7. Place of Origin:</b>	<b>8. Port Of Embarkation/Border Crossing:</b>
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<b>9. Estimated Date Of Shipment:</b>	<b>10. Means Of Transport:</b>
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<b>11.</b> *****	<b>12. CITES Permit Number:</b> *****
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<b>13. Description Of Commodity:</b>	<b>14. Date Of Inspection:</b> *****
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<b>15. Total Quantity:</b>	<b>16. Additional Information:</b> *****
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**17. Total Number Of Packages/Containers:**

**18. Identification / Seal Numbers:**

<b>19. Commodities Intended Use:</b> Breeding/Reproduction	<b>20. Type Of Admission:</b> Permanent Import
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**21. Identification Of Commodities:**

	Official Identification of Ewe/Doe	Breed	Date of Embryo Collection	Straw Identification	Number of Straws
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**CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS:**

1. The United States is free of foot-and-mouth disease without vaccination, sheep and goat pox, peste des petites ruminants, contagious caprine pleuropneumonia, and Rift Valley fever, in accordance with the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code.
2. The donor animals were born or legally imported into the United States.
3. During the 12 months prior to collection, the States of origin of the donor animals have not reported/confirmed clinical cases of caprine/ovine brucellosis (*Brucella melitensis*).
4. During the 12 months prior to embryo creation, the farms of origin of the donor animals have been free of clinical cases of scrapie, maedi-visna, caprine arthritis/encephalitis, bluetongue, paratuberculosis, ovine epididymitis, and contagious agalactia.
5. Embryos were created using semen that meets the import health requirements of the importing country, or the OIE, or equivalent.
6. On the day(s) of collection, all the donor animals were in good health and did not show clinical signs of infectious or communicable disease.
7. Embryos were washed at least ten times at a dilution of at least 1/100 between each washing, in accordance with OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code.
8. The zona pellucida of each embryo, after washing, should be examined over its entire surface area at not less than 50X magnification to ensure that it is intact and free of adherent material.
9. Embryos were frozen in fresh liquid nitrogen and stored in new or cleaned and disinfected vials or containers containing fresh liquid nitrogen.
10. Only embryos from a single female donor are packaged together in the same straw.
11. Straws are individually identified with donor animal and straw identification code.
12. The shipping containers will be sealed by a USDA accredited veterinarian prior to transportation to the port of embarkation.
13. Embryos were not exported prior to the final endorsement of required veterinary health certificate by the competent veterinary authority.

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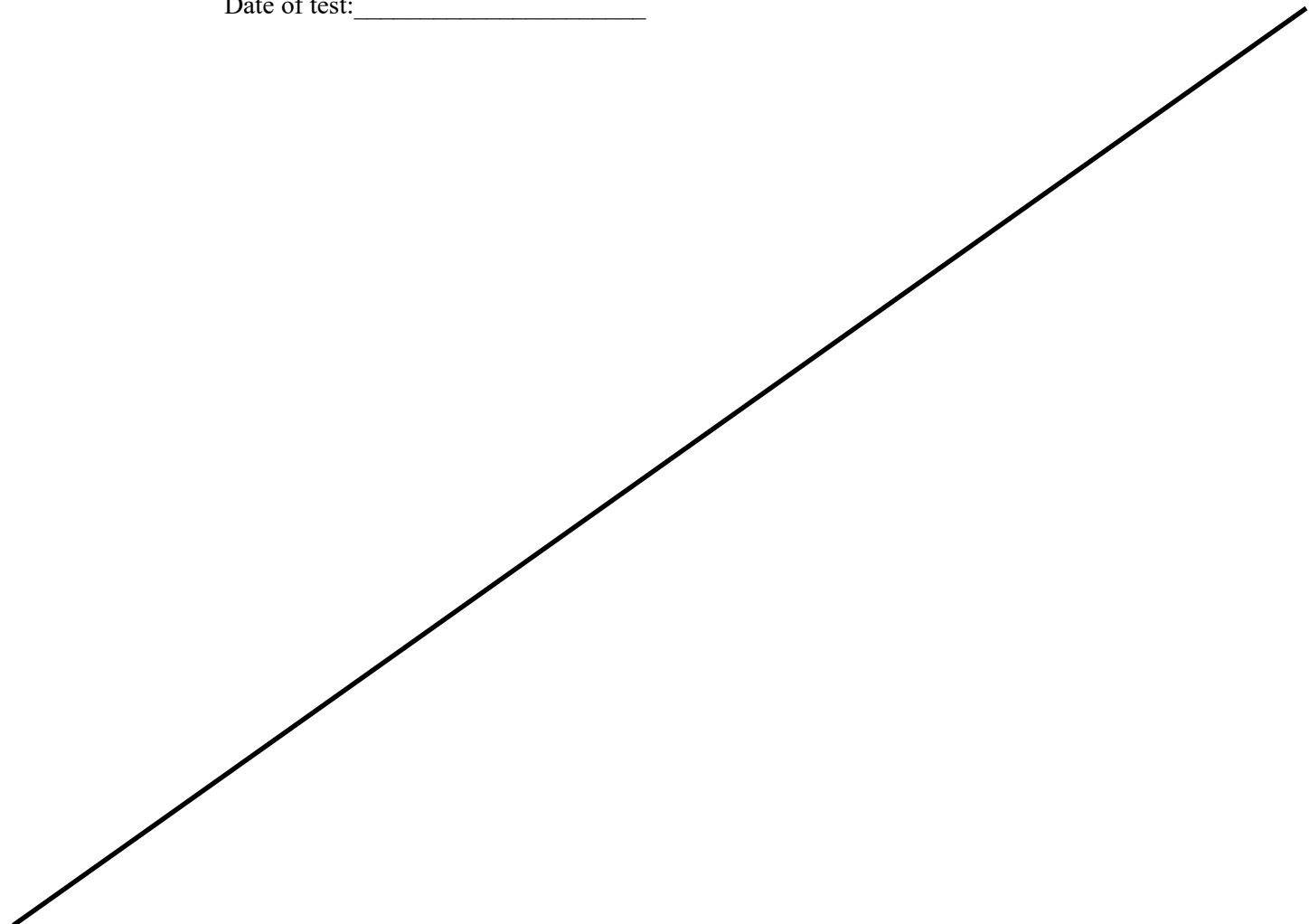
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**TEST REQUIREMENTS:**

The donor animals were tested according to recommendations in the OIE Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals, with negative results, for the following diseases within 6 months prior to embryo/oocyte collection:

1. Tuberculosis (*Mycobacterium bovis*), for goats:  
Date of test: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Contagious epididymitis (*Brucella ovis*), for sheep:  
Date of test: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Maedi-visna (for sheep) OR caprine arthritis encephalitis (for goats):  
Date of test: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Bluetongue:  
Date of test: \_\_\_\_\_



Name of Accredited Veterinarian:

Name of USDA Veterinarian:

Signature of Accredited Veterinarian:

Signature of USDA Veterinarian:

Date:

Date: