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IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF TAIWAN
FOR SWINE SEMEN EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES

The semen must be accompanied by a U.S. Origin Health Certificate issued by a veterinarian authorized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and endorsed by a Veterinary Services veterinarian. The certification shall contain the name and address of the consignor and the consignee and complete identification of the semen to be exported. Additional information shall include:

CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS

1. The United States is free of foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, and African swine fever, Teschen's disease, hog cholera, swine vesicular disease, visicular exanthema, and vaccination for these diseases is prohibited in the United States.
2. The export semen is from a farm (artificial insemination (AI center) that is supervised by a USDA accredited veterinarian and relevant government authorities of the United States.
3. The donor boars have been maintained at the farm (AI center) for at least 6 months and during that time have not been used for natural service.
4. During the 12 months prior to collection of semen for export to Taiwan, brucellosis, tuberculosis, pseudorabies, swine hemorrhagic septicemia, and swine erysipelas have not been known to occur at the farm (AI center).
5. During the 6 months prior to collection of semen for export to Taiwan, atrophic rhinitis, hemophilus pneumonia, transmissible gastroenteritis, leptospirosis, toxoplasmosis, and swine influenza have not been known to occur at the farm (AI center).
6. No signs or symptoms of communicable disease have been seen during the 30 days prior to collection of the semen for export.
7. The donor boars originated from States where vesicular stomatitis has not occurred during the 12 months prior to exportation.
8. The semen was collected, processed, and transported in a sanitary manner so as to remain free of contamination by infectious disease agents.

TEST REQUIREMENTS

The donor boars were negative to the following tests within the 6 months prior to the collection of semen for export:

1. Tuberculosis: Intradermal tuberculin test using avian and bovine PPD tuberculins.
2. Brucellosis: Tube agglutination test at 1:50 dilution.
3. Pseudorabies: Serum neutralization test at 1:4 dilution or the ELISA test.
4. Vesicular stomatitis: Serum neutralization test at 1:8 dilution.
5. Toxoplasmosis: Indirect hemagglutination test at 1:16 dilution or latex agglutination test.
6. Transmissible gastroenteritis: Serum neutralization test at 1:8 dilution.

OTHER INFORMATION

1. "Relevant government authority" supervision noted in Certification Statement Number 2 is the supervision of the USDA accredited veterinarian by USDA Veterinary Services. Supervision may include spot checks, review of residency history of boars, review of health tests, etc.
2. The semen must be transported in tanks that are new or that have been cleaned and disinfected prior to this use and are filled with refrigerant that has not been previously used in any other container.