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IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF VIETNAM 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 (VS) veterinarian. The certificate must contain the name and address of both the consignor and consignee and complete identification of donor animals producing semen for export. Additional information must include:

CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS

1. The United States has been free of foot-and-mouth disease and rinderpest for the 12 months prior to the collection, and has always been free of African swine fever.
2. The semen is derived from animals kept in an artificial insemination (AI) center supervised by a USDA accredited veterinarian and periodically inspected by a USDA Official Veterinarian.
3. The semen is derived from animals kept in an AI center for at least 6 months prior to collection and have not been used for natural service.
4. The boar from which the semen is collected is free from clinical evidence of transmissible gastroenteritis (TGE), leptospirosis, atrophic rhinitis, brucellosis, and porcine respiratory and reproductive syndrome (PRRS) on the day of semen collection.
5. All procedures related to the production and storage of the semen have been done in such a way as to avoid contamination by a causative agent of infectious diseases of domestic animals.

TEST REQUIREMENTS

The donor animals were negative to the following tests within 6 months prior to semen collection:

1. TGE: Serum neutralization test at 1:4 dilution. (If positive to the SN test, an ELISA test can be used. A negative ELISA test to TGE will qualify the semen for export.)
2. Aujesky's disease: Serum neutralization test at 1:8 dilution.
(Pseudorabies)
3. Brucellosis: Standard tube agglutination test at 1:25 dilution.

4. PRRS: ELISA test

OTHER INFORMATION

The permanent markings on each ampule or straw of semen are to include the date of collection, the registration number, the registration name of the donor boar and the identification of the semen production center where the semen was collected.