

Blood and Blood Products from Equidae for Technical Purposes (Not for Human or Animal Consumption)

Requirement for Labeling of Individual Products with Establishment of Collection

The Chapter 4(A) Health Certificate that was required prior to the publication of Regulation 294/2013 required certification that equidae blood products be labeled with the “registration number” of the establishment of collection of the source blood. This collection establishment was often not be the same as the facility approved by APHIS to export the finished product to the EU, and may not even be in the United States.

The Chapter 4(A) Health Certificate that is required after October 25, 2013 (from Regulation 294/2013) changes this requirement.

Section I.28 of the Certificate:

Section I.28 of the new Chapter 4(A) Health Certificate should reference the APHIS number of the production facility (which may not be the same as the collection facility).

Product labeling:

For whole blood: The product must be labeled with the reference number of the establishment of collection.

For blood products: The product must be labeled with the reference number of the establishment of production (the last facility to manipulate the product).