

## **Diagnostic and Research Samples to Germany**

The following certifications are believed to be required on a VS Form 16-4 for the export of diagnostic and research samples to Germany. In all cases, the German importer should confirm the requirements with their pertinent domestic authorities prior to export. If the German importer indicates that alternative certification is required, the U.S. exporter should ask them to provide an import permit from German authorities indicating the alternative requirements.

- A. For samples derived from **non-human primates, cloven-hooved animals** (for example, ruminants and pigs), **and equines**:

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [insert company name] verifying the accuracy of the statements below.

The materials described below originated from animals which:

- Had been kept as laboratory animals in the US under the supervision of a veterinarian for at least three months or since birth at the time of the collection of the samples;
- Had not been intentionally infected with transmissible diseases as part of any research; and
- Were examined by a veterinarian before sample collection, and were found by that examination to be clinically healthy.

- B. For samples derived **from animals other than rodents, non-human primates, cloven-hooved animals** (for example, ruminants and pigs), **and equines**:

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [insert company name] verifying the accuracy of the statements below.

The materials described below originated from animals which:

- Had been kept as laboratory animals in the US under the supervision of a veterinarian;
- Had not been intentionally infected with transmissible diseases as part of any research; and
- Were examined by a veterinarian before sample collection, and were found by that examination to be clinically healthy.

- C. For samples derived from **rodents**: Generally no certification is required.