

## CHAPTER 51

**MODEL ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE FOR THE ENTRY INTO THE UNION OF  
CONSIGNMENTS OF OOCYTES AND EMBRYOS OF OVINE AND CAPRINE ANIMALS  
COLLECTED OR PRODUCED, PROCESSED AND STORED IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL  
DIRECTIVE 92/65/EEC BEFORE 21 APRIL 2021, DISPATCHED AFTER 20 APRIL 2021 BY THE  
EMBRYO COLLECTION OR PRODUCTION TEAM BY WHICH THE OOCYTES OR EMBRYOS  
WERE COLLECTED OR PRODUCED (MODEL “OV/CAP-OOCYTES-EMB-B-ENTRY”)**

<b>COUNTRY</b> United States		<b>Animal Health Certificate to the EU</b>	
<b>Part I: Description of Consignment</b>	<b>I.1 Consignor/Exporter</b> Name  Address  Country ISO country code	<b>I.2 Certificate Reference</b>	<b>I.2a IMSOC Reference</b>
		<b>I.3 Central Competent Authority</b>	<b>QR CODE</b>
		<b>I.4 Local Competent Authority</b>	
	<b>I.5 Consignee/Importer</b> Name  Address  Country ISO country code	<b>I.6 Operator Responsible for the Consignment</b> Name  Address  Country ISO country code	
	<b>I.7 Country of Origin</b> ISO country code	<b>I.9 Country of Destination</b> ISO country code	
	<b>I.8 Region of Origin</b> Code	<b>I.10 Region of Destination</b> Code	
	<b>I.11 Place of Dispatch</b> Name Registration/Approval Number  Address  Country ISO country code	<b>I.12 Place of Destination</b> Name Registration/Approval Number  Address  Country ISO country code	
	<b>I.13 Place of Loading</b>	<b>I.14 Date and Time of Departure</b>	
	<b>I.15 Means of Transport</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Vessel <input type="checkbox"/> Railway <input type="checkbox"/> Road vehicle Identification	<b>I.16 Entry Border Control Post</b>	
		<b>I.17</b>	
<b>I.18 Transport Conditions</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Ambient <input type="checkbox"/> Chilled <input type="checkbox"/> Frozen			
<b>I.19 Container Number/Seal Number</b> Container Number Seal Number			
<b>I.20 Certified As or For</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Germinal products			

<b>I.21</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>For Transit</b> Third country                      ISO country code		<b>I.22</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>For Internal Market</b>		
		<b>I.23</b>		
<b>I.24</b> <b>Total Number of Packages</b>		<b>I.25</b> <b>Total Quantity</b>		<b>I.26</b>
<b>I.27</b> <b>Description of consignment</b>				
CN Code	Species	Subspecies/Category	Identification Number	Quantity
Type	Approval or Registration Number of Plant/Establishment/Centre	Identification Mark	Date of Collection/Production	Test

	II. Health Information	II.a Certificate Reference	II.b IMSOC Reference
Part II: Certification	I, the undersigned, official veterinarian, hereby certify that:		
	II.1. The exporting country ..... (name of exporting country) <sup>(1)</sup>		
	II.1.1. has been free from rinderpest, infection with peste des petits ruminants virus, sheep and goat pox, contagious caprine pleuropneumonia, and Rift Valley fever during the 12 month period immediately prior to collection of the [ova] <sup>(2)</sup> [embryos] <sup>(2)</sup> to be exported and until their date of dispatch to the Union and no vaccination against these diseases took place during that period;		
	<sup>(2) either</sup> II.1.2. has been free from foot-and-mouth disease during the 12 month period immediately prior to collection of the [ova] <sup>(2)</sup> [embryos] <sup>(2)</sup> and did not carry out vaccination against foot-and-mouth disease during that period;]		
	<sup>(2) or</sup> II.1.2. has not been free from foot-and-mouth disease during the 12 month period immediately prior to collection of the [ova] <sup>(2)</sup> [embryos] <sup>(2)</sup> and/or carried out vaccination against foot-and-mouth disease during that period and the donor females come from holdings on which no animal was vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease during 30 days prior to collection and no animal of susceptible species showed clinical signs of foot-and-mouth disease during the 30 days prior to, and at least 30 days after, the [ova] <sup>(2)</sup> [embryos] <sup>(2)</sup> were collected and the [ova] <sup>(2)</sup> [embryos] <sup>(2)</sup> were not subjected to penetration of <i>zona pellucida</i> ;		
	II.2. The [ova] <sup>(2)</sup> [embryos] <sup>(2)</sup> to be exported:		
	II.2.1. were [collected] <sup>(2)</sup> [produced] <sup>(2)</sup> and processed on premises within a 10-km radius of which there was no incidence of foot-and-mouth disease, vesicular stomatitis, Rift Valley fever in the 30 days immediately prior to their collection;		
	II.2.2. were stored at all times on approved premises within a 10-km radius of which there was no incidence of foot-and-mouth disease, vesicular stomatitis or Rift Valley fever from the time of their collection until 30 days thereafter;		
	II.2.3. were [collected] <sup>(2)</sup> [produced] <sup>(2)</sup> by the team described in box I.11., which had been approved and supervised in accordance with the conditions for the approval and supervision of embryo collection teams and embryo production teams <sup>(3)</sup> laid down in Chapter I(III) of Annex D to Directive 92/65/EEC;		
	II.2.4. meet the conditions for ova and embryos laid down in Chapter III(II) of Annex D to Directive 92/65/EEC;		
	II.2.5. come from the donor females of [ovine] <sup>(2)</sup> [caprine] <sup>(2)</sup> species which:		
	<sup>(2) either</sup> <del>II.2.5.1. were kept in a bluetongue virus free country or zone for at least 60 days prior to, and during collection of the [ova] <sup>(2)</sup> [embryos] <sup>(2)</sup>;</del>		
	<del><sup>(2) or</sup> II.2.5.1. were kept during a bluetongue virus seasonally free period in a seasonally free zone;</del>		
	<sup>(2) or</sup> II.2.5.1. were kept protected from the vector for at least 60 days prior to, and during the collection of the [ova] <sup>(2)</sup> [embryos] <sup>(2)</sup> ;		
	<sup>(2) or</sup> II.2.5.1. underwent a serological test for the detection of antibody to the bluetongue virus serogroup, carried out in accordance with the OIE Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals between 21 and 60 days after collection of the [ova] <sup>(2)</sup> [embryos] <sup>(2)</sup> and giving negative results;]		
	<sup>(2) or</sup> II.2.5.1. underwent an agent identification test for bluetongue virus, carried out in accordance with the OIE Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals on a blood sample taken on the day of the [ova] <sup>(2)</sup> [embryos] <sup>(2)</sup> collection or the day of slaughtering and giving negative results;]		
	II.2.5.2. to the best of my knowledge do not come from holdings and have not been in contact with animals of a holding, in which, based on the official notification system and according to the written declaration made by the owner, any of the following diseases has been clinically detected within the periods referred to in points (a) to (d) prior to collection of the [ova] <sup>(2)</sup> [embryos] <sup>(2)</sup> to be exported:		
	(a) contagious agalactia of sheep or goats ( <i>Mycoplasma agalactiae</i> , <i>Mycoplasma capricolum</i> , <i>Mycoplasma mycoides</i> var. <i>mycoides</i> "large colony"), within the last 6 months;		
	(b) paratuberculosis and caseous lymphadenitis, within the last 12 month period;		
	(c) pulmonary adenomatosis, within the last 3 years;		
	<sup>(2) either</sup> [(d) Maedi/Visna for sheep or caprine viral arthritis/encephalitis for goats, within the last 3 years;]		
	<sup>(2) or</sup> [(d) Maedi/Visna for sheep or caprine viral arthritis/encephalitis for goats, within the last 12 month period, and all the infected animals were slaughtered and remaining animals subsequently reacted negatively to two tests carried out at least 6 months apart;]		
	II.2.5.3. showed no clinical signs of disease on the day of the [ova] <sup>(2)</sup> [embryos] <sup>(2)</sup> collection;		
	<sup>(2)(4) either</sup> II.2.5.4. originate from the region described in box I.8, which has been recognised as officially brucellosis ( <i>B. melitensis</i> )-free, and]		
	<sup>(2) or</sup> II.2.5.4. have belonged to a holding which has obtained and maintained its officially brucellosis ( <i>B. melitensis</i> )-free status in accordance with Directive 91/68/EEC, and]		

	<p>(<sup>2</sup>) or [II.2.5.4. originate from a holding, where in respect of brucellosis (<i>B. melitensis</i>) all susceptible animals have been free from any clinical or any signs of this disease for the last 12 month period, none of the ovine and caprine animals have been vaccinated against this disease, save those vaccinated with Rev. 1 vaccine more than 2 years ago, and all ovine and caprine animals over 6 months of age have been subjected to at least two tests (<sup>5</sup>), carried out with negative results on samples taken on ..... (date) and on ..... (date) at least 6 months apart, the latter being within 30 days prior to collection of the [ova] (<sup>2</sup>) [embryos] (<sup>2</sup>),]</p> <p>and have not been kept previously in a holding of a lower status;</p> <p>(<sup>2</sup>) either [II.2.5.5. have remained in the exporting country for at least the past 6 months prior to collection of the [ova] (<sup>2</sup>) [embryos] (<sup>2</sup>) to be exported;]</p> <p>(<sup>2</sup>) or [II.2.5.5. during the past 6 months prior to collection of the [ova] (<sup>2</sup>) [embryos] (<sup>2</sup>) they complied with the animal health conditions applying to donors of the [ova] (<sup>2</sup>) [embryos] (<sup>2</sup>) which are intended for export to the Union and they have been imported into the exporting country at least 30 days prior to collection of the [ova] (<sup>2</sup>) [embryos] (<sup>2</sup>) from ..... (<sup>1</sup>);]</p> <p>II.2.5.6. comply with the following conditions as regards classical scrapie:</p> <p>II.2.5.6.1 they have been kept continuously since birth in a country where the following conditions are fulfilled:</p> <p>II.2.5.6.1.1. classical scrapie is compulsorily notifiable;</p> <p>II.2.5.6.1.2. an awareness, surveillance and monitoring system is in place;</p> <p>II.2.5.6.1.3. ovine and caprine animals affected with classical scrapie are killed and completely destroyed;</p> <p>II.2.5.6.1.4. the feeding to ovine and caprine animals of meat-and-bone meal or greaves of ruminant origin has been banned and effectively enforced in the whole country for a period of at least 7 years;</p> <p>And</p> <p>(<sup>2</sup>) either [II.2.5.6.2 they have been kept continuously for the last 3 years before the collection of the embryos to be exported in a holding or holdings which has/have been complying for the last 3 years before the collection of the embryos to be exported with the requirements laid down in points (a) to (f) of point 1.3. of Section A of Chapter A of Annex VIII to Regulation (EC) No 999/2001;]</p> <p>(<sup>2</sup>) or [II.2.5.6.2 they are ovine animals and the embryos</p> <p>(<sup>2</sup>) either [are of the ARR/ARR prion protein genotype;]</p> <p>(<sup>2</sup>) or [carry at least one ARR allele and were collected after the date of 1 January 2015.]]</p> <p>[II.2.6. were [collected] (<sup>2</sup>) [produced] (<sup>2</sup>) in the exporting country,</p> <p>(<sup>2</sup>) either [II.2.6.1. which according to official findings is free from epizootic haemorrhagic disease (EHD);]</p> <p>(<sup>2</sup>) or [II.2.6.1. in which according to official findings the following serotypes of epizootic haemorrhagic disease (EHD) exist: ..... and the donor females of [ovine] (<sup>2</sup>) [caprine] (<sup>2</sup>) species were subjected with negative results in each case to the following tests carried out in an approved laboratory:</p> <p>(<sup>2</sup>) either [a serological test (<sup>7</sup>) for the detection of antibody to the EHD virus serogroup, carried out on samples of blood taken on two occasions not more than 12 months apart prior to and not less than 21 days following collection for this consignment of [ova] (<sup>2</sup>) [embryos] (<sup>2</sup>);]</p> <p>(<sup>2</sup>) or [a serological test (<sup>7</sup>) for the detection of antibody to the EHD virus serogroup, carried out on samples of blood taken at intervals of not more than 60 days throughout the collection period and between 21 and 60 days after the final collection for this consignment of [ova] (<sup>2</sup>) [embryos] (<sup>2</sup>);]</p> <p>(<sup>2</sup>) or [an agent identification test (<sup>7</sup>), carried out on samples of blood collected at commencement and conclusion of, and at least every 7 days, if carried out as virus isolation test, or at least every 28 days, if carried out as polymerase chain reaction, during collection for this consignment of [ova] (<sup>2</sup>) [embryos] (<sup>2</sup>);]</p> <p>II.2.7. were [collected] (<sup>2</sup>) [produced] (<sup>2</sup>) after the date on which the embryo collection team was approved by the competent authority of the exporting country;</p> <p>II.2.8. were processed and stored under approved conditions for at least 30 days immediately after their [collection] (<sup>2</sup>) [production] (<sup>2</sup>) and transported under conditions for ova and embryos laid down in Chapter III(II) of Annex D to Directive 92/65/EEC;</p> <p>II.2.9. were sent to the place of loading in a sealed container in accordance with the requirements for the transport of embryos laid down in point 6 of Chapter III(II) of Annex D to Directive 92/65/EEC and bearing the number detailed in box I.19.</p> <p>(<sup>2</sup>) [II.2.10. the consignment consists of embryos of the ovine or caprine species which were conceived [by artificial insemination] (<sup>2</sup>) [as a result of <i>in vitro</i> fertilisation] (<sup>2</sup>) using semen coming from semen collection centres approved (<sup>8</sup>) in accordance with:</p> <p>(<sup>2</sup>) either [II.2.10.1. Article 11(2) of Directive 92/65/EEC and located in a Member State of the European Union; and the semen complies with the requirements of Directive 92/65/EEC.]]</p>
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(2) *or* [II.2.10.1. Article 17(3)(b) of Directive 92/65/EEC and located in a third country or part thereof listed in Annex I to Decision 2010/472/EU, and the semen complies with the requirements set out in Part 2 of Annex II to that Decision.]]

**Notes**

This animal health certificate is intended for the entry into the Union of oocytes and embryos of ovine and caprine animals, including when the Union is not the final destination of the oocytes and embryos.

In accordance with the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 5(4) of the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland in conjunction with Annex 2 to that Protocol, references to the Union in this animal health certificate include the United Kingdom in respect of Northern Ireland.

This animal health certificate shall be completed in accordance with the notes for the completion of certificates provided for in Chapter 4 of Annex I to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/2235.

**Part I:**

Box reference I.11: "Place of dispatch": Indicate the unique approval number and the name and address of the embryo collection or production team of dispatch of the consignment of oocytes or embryos. Only embryo collection or production teams listed in accordance with Article 233(3) of Regulation (EU) 2016/429 on the Commission website: [http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/semen\\_ova/ovine/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/semen_ova/ovine/index_en.htm).

Box reference I.19: Seal number shall be indicated.

Box reference I.24: Total number of packages shall correspond to the number of containers.

Box reference I.27: "Species": Select amongst "*Ovis aries*" or "*Capra hircus*" as appropriate.

"Type": Specify if *in vivo* derived embryos, *in vivo* derived oocytes, *in vitro* produced embryos or micromanipulated embryos.

"Identification number": Indicate the identification number of each donor animal.

"Identification mark": Indicate the mark on the straw or other packages where oocytes or embryos of the consignment are placed.

"Date of collection/production" shall be indicated for *in vivo* derived embryos and in the following format: dd.mm.yyyy.

"Approval or registration number of plant/establishment/centre" Indicate the unique approval number of the embryo collection or production team by which oocytes or embryos of the consignment were collected or produced.

"Quantity": Indicate the number of straws or other packages with the same mark.

**Part II:**

(1) Only third country or territory, or zone thereof listed in Annex X to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 for oocytes/embryos of ovine and caprine animals.

(2) Delete as appropriate.

(3) Only embryo collection or production teams listed in accordance with Article 233(3) of Regulation (EU) 2016/429 on the Commission website: [http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/semen\\_ova/ovine/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/semen_ova/ovine/index_en.htm).

(4) Only for the territory appearing with the entry "V" in column 6 of the table in Part 1 of Annex I to Commission Regulation (EU) No 206/2010 (OJ L 73, 20.3.2010, p. 1).

(5) Tests shall be carried out in accordance with Annex C to Directive 91/68/EEC.

(6) See remarks for exporting third country or territory, or part thereof concerned in Annex III to Decision 2010/472/EU.

(7) Standards for EHD virus diagnostic tests are described in Blutongue Chapter of the OIE Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals.

(8) Only semen collection centres approved by the competent authority of a third country or territory, or zone thereof listed in Annex X to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 for semen of ovine and caprine animals or by the competent authority of a Member State.

**Official Veterinarian**

Name (in capital letters)

Qualification and Title

Date

Signature

Stamp