

**Research and Diagnostic Samples from Animals other than Livestock or Primate Species**  
**(Samples from animals such as rodents, fish, dogs, and cats)**

[The below information does not apply to samples from livestock or primates.]

Italy does not require any certification for samples that are:

- Embedded on microscope Slides; or
- Suspended in formalin; or
- Suspended in alcohol; or
- Are being sent to Universities FROM Universities or public research centers; or
- Are being sent to public research centers FROM Universities or public research centers.

APHIS does not endorse certificates for the above samples for export to Italy. The following certification is required (in the “additional declarations” area of a VS Form 16-4) for other tissue samples [samples not included in the above bullets] from species other than livestock or primates.

**The material described below has been obtained under hygienic conditions and is not likely to contain pathogenic or harmful agents.**

No additional statements may be added to the VS Form 16-4.

Note: As always exporters should have their importers confirm (with the border inspection post through which the samples will enter Italy) prior to shipment that the consignment will be allowed entry. In some cases the importer may be required to obtain an import permit from Italy or other approvals.