# VETERINARY HEATLH CERTIFICATE FOR OVA OF FISH OF THE FAMILY SALMONIDAE FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO SOUTH AFRICA

**EXPORTING COUNTRY:** United States of America

**ISSUING AUTHORITY:** United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Veterinary Service (VS)

PRODUCT BEING CERTIFIED: Salmonidae Ova

**COUNTRY OF DESTINATION: South Africa** 

SOUTH AFRICAN VETERINARY IMPORT PERMIT NUMBER:

#### **DESCRIPTION OF CONSIGNMENT** Α.

- 1. Species and numbers:
- Number of packaging units:
  Net weight:
- 4. Nature of packing:

#### Β. **ABOUT THE CONSIGNMENT**

- 1. Name and address of consignor:
- 2. Name and address of establishment of origin:
- 3. Type of establishment:
- 4. Place of dispatch (port of embarkation):
- 5. Tamper proof seal with identification<sup>1</sup>:
- 6. Means of transport (flight number):
- 7. Country and place of destination (discharge port):
- 8. Name and address of consignee:

#### C. **HEALTH ATTESTION**

, the undersigned USDA accredited veterinarian, authorized thereto by the USDA-APHIS-VS, certify that the product described under section A:

- 1. Originate from aquaculture farms which are all under the supervision of the USDA-APHIS-VS.
- 2. Originate from a farm that has a secure water supply that either does not expose animals at the farm to animals of a lower health status OR is treated in a manner that will destroy pathogens of the diseases of concern specific to the species, prior to contact with the aquatic animals for export.
- 3. Representative samples of the brood stock from which the above-specified-eggs originated, were inspected in accordance with the standards set out in the OIE Aquatic Animal Health Code and tested at a laboratory officially accredited by the competent authority for performing such tests, during the present spawning season, and have been similarly tested for the past two years, at intervals of approximately six months, and have on each occasion been free of the diseases (a) to (i) below:
  - a. Viral Haemorrhagic Septicaemia (VHS)
  - b. Infectious Pancreatic Necrosis (IPN)
  - c. Infectious Haematopoietic Necrosis (IHN)
  - d. Epizootic Haematopoetic Necrosis (EHN)
  - e. Oncorhynchus Masou Virus (OMV)
  - f. Bacterial Kidney Disease (BKD)
  - g. Infectious Salmon Anaemia (ISA)
  - h. Salmonid Alpha Virus (SAV)
  - Epizootic Ulcerative Syndrome (EUS) i.

- 4. All the stock at this farm were found to be free of these diseases named above during the past two years.
- 5. Originate from aquaculture farms that have been annually inspected for at least two years by the USDA accredited veterinarian, at the time of the year *Gyrodactylus salaris* is expected to manifest itself. These inspections include sampling or surveillance methods as described in the OIE Manual of Diagnostic Tests for Aquatic Animals, with laboratory tests having been carried out in accordance with that OIE Manual, giving only negative results.<sup>2</sup>

## OR

According to a declaration by the exporter, this batch of eggs was disinfected with iodophore in accordance with the latest OIE Aquatic Animal Health Code, immediately prior to export, ensuring the elimination of *Gyrodactylus salaris*.<sup>2</sup>

- 6. At the farm of origin no signs of disease of unknown aetiology or unexplained mortality has been reported in the last twelve months.
- 7. At the time of inspection carried out for sanitary certification purpose, the stocks did not demostrate clinical signs of disease.
- 8. Prior to exportation, the stock have not been subject to pharmacological therapy that may disguise clinical signs of disease.
- 9. The batch of eggs was disinfected with iodophore at 100 ppm free iodine for a period of 10 minutes prior to packaging for export.
- 10. The transport container is clean and disinfected, or previously unused.

Name of USDA Accredited Veterinarian	Name of APHIS Veterinarian	
Signature of USDA Accredited Veterinarian	Signature of APHIS Veterinarian	
Date	Date	

USDA STAMP

### FOOTNOTES:

<sup>1</sup> Means of identification to include adhesive label placed on container, extending to sealed edge and covered by tamper-evident tape. Label includes information regarding; a) Consignor's name and address, b) Export facility name and address.

<sup>2</sup> Delete that which is not applicable, however one of the conditions need to be certified.