

Overseas Market Access Requirements Notification - Animal Products Act 1999

Regulation and Assurance Branch, Animal and Animal Products Directorate, Ministry for Primary Industries

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CERSEM.AU 1 September 2016 – CERVINE SEMEN TO AUSTRALIA

1. Statutory authority

Pursuant to section 60, section 60A, section 62(1) and section 167 of the Animal Products Act 1999 I notify the following:

- (i) the issue under section 60 of the export requirements for cervine semen to Australia CERSEM.AU dated 1 September 2016;
- (ii) the determination under section 62(1) of the format and content of the official assurance for cervine semen to Australia;
- (iii) the revocation and replacement of the export requirements for cervine semen to Australia OMAR B CERSEMEC.AUS dated 01 March 2013

This notice takes effect from the date of signing.

Dated at Wellington this 19th day of August 2016.

Signed: Howard Pharo
Manager Import and Export Animals
Animal and Animal Products Directorate
Regulation and Assurance Branch
(acting under delegated authority)

2. Australia requirements

Cervine semen exported from New Zealand to Australia must be accompanied by an official assurance in the form of a completed zoosanitary certificate.

The zoosanitary certificate as specified below must be completed and certified, after due enquiry, by an Official Veterinarian of the Ministry for Primary Industries.

Explanatory note:

If the zoosanitary certificate is not certified then the cervine semen do not satisfy the conditions in the notice. Likewise, if the cervine semen do not satisfy the zoosanitary requirements in the certificate, then the certificate will not be certified.



Certificate No:

NEW ZEALAND MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATE

Commodity: CERVINE SEMEN

To: AUSTRALIA

Exporting Country: NEW ZEALAND

Competent Authority: MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

Import Permit number:

(Use a schedule for more than one donor)

I: DONOR ANIMAL	
Name	
Breed	
Stud book / Registration No.	
Ear tag / Tattoo / Brand / Microchip No. *	
Date of entry onto semen centre	
II: IDENTIFICATION OF THE SEMEN	
Date(s) of semen collection	
Straw identification ⁽¹⁾	
Number of straws	
Transport container(s) / shipper(s) identification	

* Delete if not applicable

⁽¹⁾ Genetic material must be listed against the identity of the sealed transport container(s) / shipper(s).

Total number of straws in this consignment:

III: ORIGIN OF THE SEMEN

Name, address and approval number of semen centre where the semen was originally collected:	Name, address and approval number of semen centre where semen was processed/stored:
Name of approved centre veterinarian:	Telephone:
	Fax:

Name and address of exporter:
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IV: DESTINATION OF THE SEMEN

Name and address of consignee:
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Means and identification of method of transport:

V: SANITARY INFORMATION**VETERINARY CERTIFICATE**

I, an Official Veterinarian of the New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries hereby certify, after due enquiry, with respect to the donor stags and semen identified in this Zoosanitary Certificate that:

1 Collection centre and centre veterinarian

- 1.1 The semen was collected at a cervine semen centre approved by New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries and under the supervision of a veterinarian approved by the New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries to supervise the collection, processing and storage of semen for export.
- 1.2 The centre veterinarian is responsible for:
- 1.2.1 isolating the donor from all other deer and ruminants not of equivalent health status prior to semen collection
- 1.2.2 supervising the isolation period
- 1.2.3 ensuring that the donor was tested in accordance with the requirements of this export certificate
- 1.2.4 supervising the blood sampling of the donor and the collection and processing of semen.

2 Health status of donor stag

- 2.1 The donor has lived only in countries where there have not been any reports of chronic wasting disease.
- 2.2 At the time of collection each donor was free from quarantine restrictions.
- 2.3 Each donor was individually marked and isolated from other deer not of equivalent health status, during the period between 7 days before the first collection of semen and the last collection of semen for export to Australia.
- 2.4 Prior to collection the donor stag was part of a herd that was officially free from bovine tuberculosis and in the 12 months prior to collection the donor gave a negative result to:
- Either 2.4.1 a blood tuberculosis test (BTB)
- Or 2.4.2 a mid-cervical intradermal tuberculin test. (Delete as appropriate)
- 2.5 Each donor showed no clinical signs of Johne's disease during the collection period.
- 2.6 No cases of disease caused by Schmallenberg virus have been detected or reported in New Zealand

3 Semen collection, processing and storage

- 3.1 For sex sorted semen, if included in this shipment:

- 3.1.1 The equipment used for sex-sorting sperm was cleaned and disinfected between animals according the sex semen licensor's recommendations
- 3.1.2 Where seminal plasma, or components thereof, was added to sorted semen prior to cryopreservation and storage, it was derived from animals of the same or better health status.
- 3.2 The semen was identified in a legible and non-erasable manner, and has been stored, in fresh liquid nitrogen, since the end of the collection period until export, under the supervision of the Official Veterinarian in a container(s) in which no biological material other than semen, embryos or ova of equivalent health status was held. Reproductive material was not removed from containers for further processing, or aggregation with other reproductive material unless under the supervision of the approved veterinarian at an approved centre or laboratory.
- 3.3 Where reproductive material was removed from containers for further processing or aggregation with other reproductive material at an approved centre or laboratory, the dates of transfer, reason for transfer (e.g. for sex sorting), name of the approved centre or laboratory and the approved veterinarian must be listed against the **containers**.
- 3.4 The container for export was:
 - Either: 3.4.1 a new shipper
 - Or: 3.4.2 prior to loading, emptied and inspected and any loose straws removed. The shipper, including all surfaces contacting the straws, was disinfected with:

Product used:

Date of disinfection:

(AQIS accept the following disinfectants: 2% available chlorine, 2% Virkon, or irradiated at 50kGy.)

(Delete as appropriate)

 - 3.4.3 Only new liquid nitrogen was added to the shipping container.
- 3.5 Prior to shipment, the semen transportation container was sealed by an Official Veterinarian with an official seal, bearing the number or mark:

Signature Official Veterinarian
New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries

Official Stamp and Date

Name and Address

Note: the Official Veterinarian must sign, date and stamp each page of the veterinary certificate and, where applicable, all documents (e.g. laboratory reports) that form part of the extended health certification.

EXPORT CERTIFICATION

(This is not part of the official certification)

COMMODITY: CERVINE SEMEN

COUNTRY: AUSTRALIA

NOTES: This export certificate replaces the previous one dated 1 March 2013, which was updated to include a requirement for Schmallenberg virus.

1. Each consignment of semen must be accompanied by a valid *Permit to Import Semen/Embryos* into Australia obtained, prior to the export of the semen, from the Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service (AQIS) Office in the State/Territory of import.
2. These requirements are the minimum requirements for importation into Australia. Different zones of Australia have different animal health status and state or territory veterinary authorities may require further testing or certification for certain diseases before direct export into a specific zone.
3. In Clause III: Origin of the semen, the name of the centre veterinarian relates to the approved semen centre where the semen was collected. Where there is more than one centre veterinarian approved for that premises, list each centre veterinarian. The telephone number and facsimilie number relate to the contact details of the collection centre. Where the semen has been processed or stored in another centre, include the details for each centre for traceability.

Section 61A of the Animal Products Act 1999 states that 'The Crown is not liable, and nor is the Director-General or any employee of the Ministry liable, for any loss arising through the refusal or failure of the relevant authority of an overseas market to admit export animal material or animal product to that market'.
