

Overseas Market Access Requirements Notification - Animal Products Act 1999

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

Ref: AE-US-08

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CERSEM.US 22 January 2016 – CERVINE SEMEN TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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 the United States of America CERSEM.US 22.JAN.2016;

(ii) the revocation of OMAR B CERSEMEC.USA 27.08.07 – Cervine Semen to the United States of America;

(iii) the determination under section 62(1) of the format and content of the official assurance for Cervine Semen to the United States of America.

This notice takes effect from the 22nd of January 2016.

Dated at Wellington this 21st day of January 2016.

Signed: Howard Pharo
Manager Imports & Exports Animals
Animal & Animal Products Directorate
Regulation & Assurance Branch
(acting under delegated authority)

2. United States of America requirements

Cervine semen exported from New Zealand to the United States of America 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 does not satisfy the conditions in the notice. Likewise, if the cervine semen does 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: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Exporting Country: NEW ZEALAND
Competent Authority: MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES
Import permit number:

I: INFORMATION CONCERNING THE DONOR ANIMAL/S

Species: Breed:
Name/Identification:
Registered entry in the herd/stud book:

II: INFORMATION CONCERNING THE SEMEN

Date(s) of collection:
Quantity and packaging of exported semen:

III: ORIGIN OF THE SEMEN

Name and address of MPI approved semen collection centre:
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Name and address of MPI approved semen processing and storage centre (if different):
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Name and address of consignor:.....
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IV: DESTINATION OF THE SEMEN

Name and address of consignee:
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Means of transport:.....

V: SANITARY INFORMATION

VETERINARY CERTIFICATE

I being an Official Veterinarian of the New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) certify, after due enquiry with respect to the donor deer and cervine semen identified in the attached Export Certificate that:

1 NEW ZEALAND DISEASE FREEDOM

- 1.1 New Zealand is free from foot and mouth disease, rinderpest, contagious bovine pleuropneumonia, Akabane, bluetongue, Aino, bovine brucellosis (*Brucella abortus*) and epizootic haemorrhagic disease.
- 1.2 No cases of disease caused by Schmallenberg virus have been detected or reported in New Zealand.

2 ENDORSEMENT

- 2.1 The centre veterinarian is approved to supervise the collection, processing and storage of cervine semen for export to the USA.
- 2.2 The semen collection and processing premises are approved by MPI for the collection, processing and storage of cervine semen for export to the USA.

3 DONOR ANIMALS

- 3.1 The donor animals were either born and raised in New Zealand, or imported and have been free of any import quarantine restrictions and able to move freely within New Zealand's national herd for:
 - 3.1.1 a minimum of 60 days prior to the collection of semen, in the case of donor animals imported from countries recognised by the USDA to be free of FMD and rinderpest;
 - 3.1.2 a minimum of 90 days prior to the collection of semen, in the case of donor animals imported from countries not recognised by the USDA to be free of FMD and rinderpest.
- 3.2 During the 12 months prior to the collection of semen for export to the United States, there has been no evidence of *Brucella abortus* found in the donor stags or other animals associated with the stags.
- 3.3 During the 60 days prior to the collection of semen for export to the United States, the donor animals:
 - 3.3.1 were inspected by the approved centre veterinarian and found to be free from contagious diseases.
 - 3.3.2 were not corralled, pastured or held with other animals that are under restrictions which would make them ineligible as donors of embryos or semen for export to the United States.
- 3.4 Prior to the collection of semen, all donor and teaser animals in the semen collection centre (SCC) originate from herds designated as free from bovine tuberculosis for at least 2 years prior to their entry into the SCC.
- 3.5 The herd of origin of the donor or teaser animals have been tested, with negative results, for tuberculosis within the 12 months prior to the date of entry of the animals into the SCC.

3.6 Any donor originating from a herd or SCC that had a confirmed infection by *Mycobacterium bovis* within the past 10 years is not eligible for export of semen to the United States.

4 SEMEN COLLECTION

4.1 On the dates of collection of semen, none of the animals in the semen collection centre showed any evidence of infectious or contagious disease.

5 POST COLLECTION TESTING

5.1 Not less than 21 days nor more than 120 days following collection, the donor animals and teasers, if used, were tested with negative results for the following diseases:

5.1.1 bovine tuberculosis using an intradermal tuberculin test.

Note: this test must be at least 60 days from any previous intradermal tuberculin test.

Date of test.....

5.1.2 *Brucella abortus* using a tube agglutination test at 1:50 serum dilution.

Date of test.....

6 SEMEN PROCESSING

6.1 The semen has been packaged in ampoules or straws which are permanently marked with the name, breed and individual identification number of the donor, and the date of collection.

6.2 The semen has been placed in a shipping tank which is either new or which has been cleaned and disinfected under the Centre Veterinarian’s supervision. Only fresh liquid nitrogen has been used to charge the tank.

6.3 After processing, the ampoules/straws were segregated in a storage area, at an approved storage facility and were maintained under the Centre Veterinarian’s supervision until such time as they were placed in the shipping tank and sealed with New Zealand Government seals bearing the marks:

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Signature of Official Veterinarian
New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries

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Official stamp and date

Name and address:.....
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Note: The Official Veterinarian must sign, date and stamp each page of the veterinary certificate using a different colour ink to the paper and the print, and, where applicable, sign, date and stamp each page of the 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: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

NOTES This export certificate replaces the certificate dated 1 March 2013 (OMAR dated 27 August 2007) and was amended to include a statement for Schmallenberg disease.

The 1 March 2013 export certificate replaced that dated 26 September 2006, and was based on the USDA Health Requirements dated 14 September 1991 provided by Dr Roger Perkins, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), in a fax of 5 August 1998.

- 1 The US importer must obtain an import permit from the US Department of Agriculture (USDA), Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Veterinary Services (VS), National Center for Import and Export, Import Animals Staff, 4700 River Road, Unit 39, Riverdale, Maryland 20737-1231.
- 2 The shipment must be routed direct to the United States with no stops en route other than those provided for on the USDA import permit.
- 3 The serological tests for *Brucella abortus* was conducted in laboratories approved by MPI.

Section 61A 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'.