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# Owner's Declaration and Veterinary Support Certificate in the respect of the Holding of Origin (HOO) of Donor Males/Females and Teasers

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## **Owner's Declaration and Veterinary Support Certificate in Respect of the Holding of Origin (HOO) of Donor Males/Females and Teasers**

### **Part I - For Completion by the Owner/ Agent of the Owner**

1. Name of owner: ..... (Block Capitals)

2. Address of farm or organisation:

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3.1 Address of holding of origin (HOO) where the animals are kept:

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Holding No. (CPH): .....

3.2 Address of quarantine/isolation accommodation:

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Holding No. (CPH): .....

4. Address of the approved semen collection centre to which the animals are to be consigned for semen collection (if applicable) :

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.....

5. Identification of donor animals:

Breed	Age	Individual Identification	
		Official Flock/Herd Mark (1)	Individual Mark

[ ] Tick here if continued on another sheet

**Declarations by the \*Owner/ \*Keeper of the Animals**

6. I, being the \*owner/ agent for the owner of the animals described above, hereby declare that:

(a) the animals described above were:

Either

\*i. born and have been reared since birth on the territory of the United Kingdom or the European Community; Or

\*ii. were imported legally from a Third country in accordance with Community rules;

Or

\*iii. imported legally from a third country under an Import Licence issued by DEFRA and have since remained in the United Kingdom for at least 30 days (60 days in the case of rams);

(b) The animals described above have been continuously resident on this holding for 60 days prior to entry into quarantine

**Health Status of the Holding of Origin**

(c) *To the best of my knowledge and belief, the following diseases have not been clinically diagnosed on the above holding of origin:*

(i) *During the past 3 years: Jaagsiekte (pulmonary adenomatosis); \*Maedi-visna/\*Caprine arthritis encephalitis\*; (or 12 months in the case of maedi-visna or caprine arthritis encephalitis where infected animals have been slaughtered and the remaining animals subjected to 2 negative tests at least 6 months apart);*

(ii) *During the past 12 months: Johne's disease (paratuberculosis); Caseous lymphadenitis; and*

(iii) *During the past 6 months: Contagious agalactia (sheep or goats).*

*None of the sheep/goats described in the Schedule have been in contact with animals from such holdings.*

- (d) the animals described above are not animals which are to be destroyed under an official scheme to eradicate a contagious or infectious disease nor have they been vaccinated against foot and mouth disease;
- (e) the holding from which the animals originate is not under any official restrictions as a result of an outbreak of a notifiable disease which affects sheep and goats and none of the animals described above have been in contact with animals from holdings under such restrictions;
- (f) arrangements have been made for the animals to be transported to the approved quarantine/isolation accommodation and/or Semen Collection Centre/holding without coming into contact with any animals other than animals similarly declared and in vehicles/containers which will be cleansed and disinfected with a DEFRA approved disinfectant before use;

**Classical Scrapie Requirements:**

- (g) Either
  - \* (i) The flock/herd on the holding mentioned at paragraph 3.1 is a member of the Scrapie Monitoring Scheme administered by SAC Consulting, part of Scotland's Rural College (SRUC) and has been listed as Controlled Risk / Negligible risk (circle relevant status and delete the other);

Or

- \* (iii) In the case of sheep only, the holding is not under any official restrictions due to scrapie and sheep are of the ARR/ARR prion protein genotype, or for collections on or after 1 January 2015, of genotypes that allows a ARR heterozygote embryo to be collected/produced; and

either \*the genotyping was carried out at a \*government laboratory (APHA), or \*SAC/SRUC (where the certificate is issued and it clearly states in the top right hand corner that a veterinarian took the sample and mentions the address);

or \*an official genotyping certificate issued under a National Scrapie Plan scheme (e.g. the Compulsory Scrapie Flocks Scheme, Ram/Ewe Genotyping Scheme)

or  
Innovis (dated before 31/03/2013) is available.

This declaration is valid for 10 days.

\* Delete as appropriate

(1) Official flock/herd mark is the flock/herd mark of the holding referred to at Part 1 paragraph 3 for animals born on the holding. For animals which have moved on to the holding, it is the flock/herd of the previous holding which may be the holding on which the animals were born.

Signed ..... \*Owner/ \*Agent

Date ..... Name in block capitals .....

## Part II: Veterinary Support Certificate

I, ....., the undersigned, certify that:

1. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the owner's declarations at Part I paragraph 6(a)-(f) above are a true and correct statement;
2. The donor animals were individually identified in compliance with the requirements of Council Regulation (EC) No 21/2004;
3. I have certificate SUP NDC from the Centre for International Trade in Carlisle, authorising me to certify that the following diseases have not been confirmed on the holding of origin mentioned at Part I paragraph 3.1 during the periods stated:

Scrapie: during the past 3 years

Foot and Mouth Disease for the past 3 months

\*Contagious epididymitis of rams (*Brucella ovis*): during the past 12 months

Contagious agalactia: during the past 6 months

Brucellosis (*Brucella melitensis*): during the past 3 months

Rabies: during the past 30 days

Anthrax: during the past 30 days

And based on a check of the VIDA system, by CIT Carlisle, no submissions from clinical cases have been recorded against the above CPH as being confirmed for;

during the past 3 years: Jaagsiekte (pulmonary adenomatosis); \*Maedi-visna/\*Caprine arthritis encephalitis;

during the past 12 months: Johne's disease (paratuberculosis); Caseous lymphadenitis;

4. Classical Scrapie requirements

Either

- \* (a) I have seen the owner's Certificate of Registration to the SAC Scrapie Monitoring Scheme and can confirm that the flock/herd is listed as Controlled Risk / Negligible risk (circle relevant status and delete the other);

Or

- \* (b) I have seen documentary evidence - a laboratory report from a \*government laboratory (APHA)/ \*a laboratory authorised by the government (SAC/SRUC) or \*an official genotyping certificate issued under a National Scrapie Plan scheme (e.g. the Compulsory Scrapie Flocks Scheme, Ram/Ewe Genotyping Scheme) - confirming the genotype of the individual sheep identified on this certificate as ARR/ARR or for collections on or after 1 January 2015, of genotypes that allows a ARR heterozygote embryo to be collected/produced.

- \*\*5. 1<sup>st</sup> series testing – prior to start of quarantine/isolation:

On .....(date), being within 28 days prior to their movement into quarantine / isolation of least 28 days, blood samples were taken from the said animals and sent to an AHVLA laboratory where they were submitted to the following tests:

- (a) a complement fixation test for brucellosis (*B. melitensis*), with negative results;
- (b) a complement fixation test for *Brucella ovis*, with negative results;
- (c) a virus isolation/antigen test (eg PCR/IPX) for border disease, with negative results and a serological test (eg ELISA) for border disease antibodies with a negative\*/positive\* result;

**\*\*6. Quarantine/Isolation accommodation**

The quarantine/isolation accommodation at Part I paragraph 3.2 has been officially approved in accordance with official guidance and I have certificate SUP NDC from the Centre for International Trade - Carlisle, authorising me to certify the following:

- (i) it is situated in an area in which there has been no outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) for the past 30 days within a 10 kilometre radius;
- (ii) it has for the past three months been free from foot-and-mouth disease and brucellosis;
- (iii) it has for the past 30 days been free from the following compulsory notifiable diseases:  
Rabies and Anthrax.

**\*\*7. 2<sup>nd</sup> series testing in Quarantine/Isolation**

On .....(date), being at least 21 days after commencement of the 28 days quarantine/isolation, blood samples were taken from the said animals and sent to an APHA laboratory where they were submitted to the following tests:

- (a) a complement fixation test for brucellosis (*B. melitensis*), with negative results;
- (b) a complement fixation test for *Brucella ovis*, with negative results;
- (c) a virus/antigen (e.g. PCR/IPX) test for border disease, with negative results and in the case of seronegative animals only, a serological test (e.g. ELISA) for border disease antibodies with a negative\*/positive\* result; in the case of a positive result, a further virus/antigen test (e.g. PCR/IPX) for border disease was carried out on the animal(s) which became seropositive in quarantine/isolation at least 3 weeks after the last seroconversion was detected in quarantine / isolation, with negative results;

This Veterinary Support Certificate is valid for 10 days.

\* Delete as appropriate

\*\* Required for ovine/caprine semen only. Delete if tests/quarantine/isolation is/are to be carried out at the approved Semen Collection Centre OR in the case of donor females intended for ova/embryo collection

Stamp ..... Signed ..... RCVS  
 Name in block letters .....  
 Official Veterinarian  
 Date .....  
 Address .....  
 .....  
 Telephone .....