

**EXPORT OF CANINE SEMEN TO AUSTRIA NOTES FOR GUIDANCE (NFG) FOR OFFICIAL VETERINARIANS AND EXPORTERS - 9011EHC & 9012EHC**

This document should not be read as a standalone document but in conjunction with either or both 9011EHC or 9012EHC.

**1. SCOPE OF THE CERTIFICATES**

9012EHC is the certificate that should be used for the export of canine semen from dogs that have undergone blood serology for Leptospirosis and *Brucella canis*, whereas 9011EHC is for certification of canine semen without such serological testing. Both certificates require the rabies vaccination status of the donor animal to be up to date. It remains unclear as to why Austria has provided this distinction or when the serological testing may be needed for a particular case.

These certificates are limited to certification that takes place in Great Britain, i.e. Wales, Scotland or England.

**2. CERTIFICATION**

The basic principles of certification apply and although this is not an EU level harmonised EU entry certificate, the general requirements that the EU specify for its harmonised certificates should be followed.

Please note that these certificates are taken from an English translation provided by Austria and the English text is therefore constrained by that of the supplied model certificates.

COUNTRY OF ORIGIN:

**I. Origin of Semen**

Self Explanatory

**II. Destination of semen**

Self explanatory

**III. Identification**

This certificate may be used for one animal donor at a time. Create and include a schedule to add additional information should the space provided not be enough.

**IV. Certification**

In the case of certificate 9012EHC only:

Delete whichever part 'IV b)' does not apply. (Please note the provision for titres that originate from vaccination in the case of leptospirosis.)

Part 'c)' logically only applies to dogs that were tested prior to semen collection and the semen is sent fresh. For frozen semen, where the blood test requirement follows the semen collection date, this may be ignored (but not crossed out).

**3. DISCLAIMER:**

This certificate is provided on the basis of information available at the time and may not necessarily comply fully with the requirements of the importing country. It is the exporter's responsibility to check the certificate against any relevant import permit or any advice provided by the competent authority in the importing country. If these do not match, the exporter should contact the APHA Customer Service Centre, in Carlisle, via the link below.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/animal-and-plant-healthagency/about/access-and-opening#specialist-service-centres-ssc>