

**EXPORT OF CANINE SEMEN TO SPAIN**

**NOTES FOR GUIDANCE (NFG) FOR OFFICIAL VETERINARIANS AND EXPORTERS**

This document should not be read as a standalone document but in conjunction with 9013EHC.

1. SCOPE OF THE CERTIFICATE

This certificate may be used for the export of canine semen to Spain where the certification takes place in Wales, Scotland or England, i.e. Great Britain only.

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 specifies for its harmonised certificates should be followed.

Please note that this certificate is taken from an English translation provided by Spain and the English text is therefore constrained by that model certificate.

**PART I**

**I.6 Person responsible for the consignment** - This field of entry is only required in the case of transit through another region/country outside of the EU. It may also be used when the consignee is not resident in the EU. Where this information is not required, the box may be crossed through diagonally.

**I.7 Country of Origin:** Although the certificate has been prepopulated with UNITED KINGDOM, this certificate should and can only be issued for animals that are certified in England, Scotland and Wales (i.e. Great Britain).

**I.10 Region of destination** - N/A can be entered here.

**I.11 'Approval' Number** - please see note referencing I.30. in the certificate. Spain requires that either a registration or an approval number is entered and N/A is not acceptable. For premises that only have a registration number this is acceptable as the required number. Examples of approvals are those premises operating under BALAI approval. Premises not approved or registered, must obtain a registration from APHA before they can export to Spain with this certificate.

### **I.11 & I 13 Place of despatch vs place of loading**

In the case of traveling by plane, write "name of the airport". In case of traveling by sea, write "name of the port". In case of traveling by land, write "name of the establishment where the animals are loaded onto means of transport".

**I.21 Transit through a Third Country.** Third countries are countries that are not within the EEA and excludes the country of origin. If goods are consigned directly to the EU from GB, this box may be deleted or struck through with a diagonal line.

## **PART II -**

### **II.3 'official information' - Notifiable Disease Clearance**

Where it is possible for the Official Veterinarian (OV) in Great Britain to obtain disease clearance themselves, the Centre for international Trade - Carlisle (CITC) will not issue a 618NDC notifiable disease clearance.

OVs must check the following sources of disease information for the United Kingdom immediately prior to certification, to ensure disease freedom statements can be certified:

- the Notifiable Disease Occurrence List for Great Britain (ET171) available on the Exports > Certification Procedures page of the APHA Vet Gateway
- the UK Status for Non-Notifiable Diseases Relevant to Export Certification (ET152) available on the Exports > Certification Procedures page of the APHA Vet Gateway.

[http://apha.defra.gov.uk//External OV Instructions/Export Instructions/Certification Procedures/index.htm](http://apha.defra.gov.uk//External%20Instructions/Export%20Instructions/Certification%20Procedures/index.htm)

For Great Britain:

In the absence of a specific Notifiable Disease Clearance (618NDC) from CITC: OVs may certify that the UK has disease free status or region free status for those diseases mentioned in the health certificate, once they have checked the disease list(s) for the last occurrence of the disease and have ensured it complies with the time frames in the certificate.

In the event of a disease outbreak that affects an OV being able to obtain their own disease clearance, CITC will notify OVs to make it clear which disease freedom statements should not be certified and where necessary, will issue a 618NDC notifiable disease clearance if the EHC can continue to be issued for certain regions that retain free status.

In the event of a disease outbreak after the EHC has been issued that affects the disease clearance, OVs must not certify the EHC and must contact CITC immediately for advice on whether certification can still take place. If a disease outbreak affects the OV disease clearance procedures for this EHC, a 618NDC will be reinstated by CITC which will be issued with the EHC until a time when OV disease clearance can be reinstated.

**II.3.2** At this time there are no preventive health measures (other than rabies) that apply in respect of donor animals for these germinal products to be exported. This situation may change if the EU Commission exercise their power to make delegated regulations in this respect. OVs should check for new preventative health measures that may apply.

**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 Centre for International Trade, in Carlisle, via the link below.

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