Model health certificate for imports of in vitro produced embryos of domestic animals of the bovine species conceived using semen coming from semen collection or storage centres approved by the competent authority of the exporting country from EU countries

GBHC008E v3.1 February 2023

Part I. Details of dispatched consignment

I.1 Consignor Name: Address: Tel:	**I.2 Certificate reference no.**	**I.3 Central competent authority**
	I.2.a UNN	**I.4 Local competent authority**

I.5 Consignee Name: Address: Tel:	**I.6 Person responsible for the load in Great Britain** Name: Address: Tel:

I.7 Country of origin	**ISO code**	**I.8 Region of origin**	**Code**	**I.9 Country of destination**	**ISO code**	**I.10 Region of destination**	**Code**

I.11 Place of origin Name: Approval number: Address: Name: Approval number: Address: Name: Approval number: Address:	**I.12 Place of destination** Name: Address:
I.13 Place of loading	**I.14 Date of departure**
I.15 Means of transport ☐ Aeroplane ☐ Ship ☐ Railway wagon ☐ Road vehicle ☐ Other Identification: Documentation references:	**I.16 Entry BCP** **I.17** Not in use

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II.a. Certificate reference no.	**II.b.**

I.18 Description of commodity		
I.19 Commodity code (HS code) 05 11 99 85	**I.21** Not in use	**I.23 Seal / Container No.**
I.20 Quantity	**I.22 Number of packages**	**I.24** Not in use
I.25 Commodity certified for: ☐ Artificial reproduction		
I.26 ☐ **For transit through Great Britain to third country** **Third country** **ISO Code**	**I.27** ☐ **For import or admission into Great Britain**	

I.28 Identification of the commodities

Species (Scientific name)	Breed	Category	Dam identity	Sire identity	Date of collection	Date of freezing	Approval number of the team	Quantity

Part II. Certification

I, the undersigned, official veterinarian of the …… (*exporting country*) [(2)] certify that:

II.1 The embryos to be exported

II.1.1 were produced in the exporting country, which according to official findings:

II.1.1.1 was free from rinderpest during the 12 months immediately prior to their production;

[(1)]*either* [**II.1.1.2** was free from foot-and-mouth disease and lumpy skin disease during the 12 months immediately prior to their production and did not carry out vaccination against foot-and-mouth or lumpy skin disease during that period.]

[(1)]*or* [**II.1.1.2** was not free from foot-and-mouth disease or lumpy skin disease during the 12 months immediately prior to their production or carried out vaccination against foot-and-mouth disease or lumpy skin disease during that period, and

- the embryos were produced without penetration of the Zona pellucida

- the embryos were stored under approved conditions for at least 30 days immediately after their production

- the donor females come from holdings on which no animal was vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease or lumpy skin disease during the 30 days prior to collection and no animal of a susceptible species showed clinical signs of foot-and-mouth disease or lumpy skin disease during the 30 days prior to, and at least the 30 days after, the oocytes were collected.]

II.1.2 were produced by the embryo production team [(3)] which:

- has been approved in accordance with Chapter I of Annex A to Directive 89/556/EEC;

- carried out the production, processing, storing and transport of the embryos in accordance with Chapter II of Annex A to Directive 89/556/EEC;

- is subject to inspection by an official veterinarian at least twice a year

II.2 The oocytes used in the production of the embryos to be exported were collected on premises situated in an area of at least 10km radius centred on them, which according to official findings there was no occurrence of foot-and-mouth disease, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, vesicular stomatitis, Rift Valley fever, contagious bovine pleuropneumonia or lumpy skin disease in the 30 days immediately prior to their collection and until their dispatch to Great Britain, in case of fresh embryos, or during the 30 days after collection, in case of embryos subject to a mandatory storage for at least 30 days in accordance with point II.2.2.

II.3 from the time of collection of the oocytes until 30 days thereafter or, in the case of fresh embryos, until the day of dispatch, the embryos to be exported were stored on premises situated in an area of at least 10km radius centred on them, on which according to official findings there was no occurrence of foot-and-mouth disease, vesicular stomatitis, Rift Valley Fever, contagious bovine pleuropneumonia or lumpy skin disease.

II.4 the donors of oocytes used in the production of the embryos to be exported:

II.4.1 were located, during the 30 days immediately prior to collection of the oocytes, on premises within a 10-km radius of which according to official findings, there was no occurrence of foot-and-mouth disease, bluetongue, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, vesicular stomatitis, Rift Valley fever, contagious bovine pleuropneumonia or lumpy skin disease;

II.4.2 showed no clinical signs of disease on the day of collection;

II.4.3 spent the six months immediately prior to collection within the territory of the exporting country in no more than two herds:

- which, according to official findings, were free from tuberculosis during that time,

- which, according to official findings, were free from brucellosis during that time,

- which were free from enzootic bovine leukosis or in which no animal showed clinical signs of enzootic bovine leukosis during the previous three years,

- in which no bovine animal showed clinical signs of infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/infectious pustular vulvo-vaginitis during the previous 12 months.

[(1)]*either* [**II.4.4** were kept in a bluetongue virus-free country or zone for at least 60 days prior to, and during, collection of the oocytes.]

[1]*or* [**II.4.4** were kept during a seasonally free period or protected from the vector for at least 60 days prior to, and during, the collection of the oocytes, and the embryos were produced without penetration of the zona pellucida, except if the donors underwent a serological test to detect antibodies to the bluetongue virus group, carried out in accordance with the WOAH (formerly OIE) Manual of Diagnostic Test and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals between 21 and 60 days after collection and giving negative results and the embryos were stored for at least 30 days.]

[1]*or* [**II.4.4** underwent a serological test to detect antibodies to the bluetongue virus group carried out in accordance with the WOAH (formerly OIE) Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals between 21 and 60 days after collection and giving negative results, and the embryos were stored for at least 30 days.]

[1]*or* [**II.4.4** underwent an agent identification test, carried out in accordance with the WOAH (formerly OIE) Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals on a blood sample taken on the day of collection or the day of slaughtering and giving negative results – the embryos having been produced, in the latter case, without penetration of the zona pellucida.]

II.5 The embryos to be exported were conceived by in vitro fertilisation using semen coming from semen collection or storage centres approved for the collection, processing and/or storage of semen by the competent authority of a third country or a part thereof listed in a document relating to 'bovine semen' published on gov.uk, in accordance with Decision 2011/630/EU [4] or by the competent authority of Great Britain.

Notes

References to European Union legislation within this certificate are references to direct EU legislation which has been retained in Great Britain (retained EU law as defined in the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018) and can be viewed on the UK legislation website (legislation.gov.uk).

References to Great Britain in this certificate include Channel Islands and Isle of Man.

In accordance with Article 3(a) of Directive 89/556/EEC, the in vitro produced bovine embryos using semen from semen centres approved by the exporting country, imported under the conditions laid down in this certificate are excluded from further export to an EU member State; Liechtenstein; Norway and Switzerland

Part I:

Box reference I.6: *Person responsible for the load in Great Britain*: this box is to be filled in only if it is a certificate for transit commodity.

Box reference I.11: *Place of origin* shall correspond to the embryo production teams from which the embryos are dispatch to Great Britain and listed in accordance with Article 8(2) of Directive 89/556/EEC.

Box reference I.22: *Number of packages* shall correspond to the number of containers.

Box reference I.23: Identification of container and seal number shall be indicated.

Box reference I.26: Fill in according to whether it is a transit or an import certificate.

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Box reference I.28: *Species*: select amongst '*Bos taurus'*, '*Bison bison'* or '*Bubalus bubalis'* as appropriate.

Category: select '*in vitro produced embryos*'.

Dam identity shall correspond to the official identification of the animal.

Sire identity shall correspond to the official identification of the animal.

Date of freezing shall be indicated in the following format: dd.mm.yyyy

Approval number of the team: shall correspond to the embryo production team by which the embryos were produced, processed and stored; and listed in accordance with Article 8(2) of Directive 89/556/EEC

Part II:

(1) Delete as appropriate.

(2) Only third countries listed in a document relating to 'bovine embryos' published on gov.uk, in accordance with Decision 2006/168/EC.(5)

(3) Only embryo production teams listed in accordance with Article 8(2) of Directive 89/556/EEC.

(4) Only third countries listed in a document relating to 'bovine semen' published on gov.uk, in accordance with Implementing Decision 2011/630/EU. (5)

(5) Documents relating to 'bovine semen' and 'bovine embryos' published by the Secretary of State, with the consent of the Scottish and Welsh Ministers, may be found here:

EU and EFTA states approved to export animals and animal products to Great Britain - data.gov.uk

Non-EU countries approved to export animals and animal products to Great Britain - data.gov.uk

The signature and the stamp must be in a different colour to that of the printing.

Official Veterinarian	
Name (in capital letters):	Qualification and title:
Date:	Signature:
Stamp:	