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EXPORT OF OVINE AND CAPRINE SEMEN TO MAURITIUS

HEALTH CERTIFICATE

No:

EXPORTING COUNTRY: UNITED KINGDOM

FOR COMPLETION BY: OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN

I. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SEMEN

Species	Breed	Identity of donor male(s) (name, registration number)	Date of birth	Number and volume of semen straws	Date(s) of collection or date code(s) ^(a)

^(a) Explanation of date code(s)

(Please add schedule if required)

II. ORIGIN OF THE SEMEN

1) Name and address of Semen Collection Centre:

2) Approval number of Semen Collection Centre:

3) Name and address of consignor:

4) The semen consignment is to be sent from (place of loading):

III. DESTINATION OF THE SEMEN

1) Name and address of consignee:

2) Means of transportation (including registration number of vehicle, flight number of aircraft or name of ship):

3) Number of seal on transport container:

4) Address of actual destination of semen:

5) Import permit number(s):

IV. HEALTH INFORMATION

I, the undersigned, certify that:

1) The semen described in Paragraph I was derived from donor males standing at the Semen Collection Centre described in Paragraph II, which:

- (a) is approved to export in accordance with the legislation in force at the time in the United Kingdom and complies with the requirements of the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) Terrestrial Animal Health Code (hereafter WOAH Terrestrial Code);
- (b) is under the supervision of a veterinarian(s) who is/are approved and supervised by the competent veterinary authority of the United Kingdom;
- (c) maintains a daily production register of the semen obtained;
- (d) is physically isolated from other livestock farming establishments and takes biosecurity measures that ensure the healthy status of the animals;
- (e) employs personnel who work on the centre and do not have contact with animals that could represent a sanitary risk to the species in question;

2) Prior to entering the approved Semen Collection Centre, all semen donors have been subjected to a period of isolation of at least 28 days in special accommodation approved by the competent veterinary authority;

3) **Regarding BRUCELLOSIS (*B. melitensis*) and CONTAGIOUS EPIDYDIMITIS (*B. ovis*)**, the semen was obtained from donor male(s) which comply with the following conditions:

- (a) prior to their stay in the quarantine accommodation specified in paragraph IV.2), they have belonged to an officially brucellosis-free ovine or caprine holding, and they have not been previously kept in a holding of a lower health status as regards brucellosis;
- (b) have undergone serological tests for brucellosis (*B. melitensis*) and for

contagious epididymitis (*B. ovis*), in accordance with the WOAH Terrestrial Code, carried out on a blood sample collected within the 28 days preceding the commencement of the period of quarantine specified in paragraph IV.2):

- (c) have undergone the following tests, in accordance with the WOAH Terrestrial Code, carried out on blood samples taken during the period of quarantine specified in paragraph IV.2), and at least 21 days after being admitted to the quarantine accommodation, with negative results:

a serological test for brucellosis (*B. melitensis*) and for contagious epididymitis (*B. ovis*).

- (d) all ovine and caprine animals kept at an approved semen collection centre shall be subjected at least once every year to a serological test for brucellosis (*B. melitensis*) and contagious epididymitis (*B. ovis*), in accordance with the WOAH Terrestrial Code, with negative results;

- 4) **Regarding BLUETONGUE VIRUS (BTV)**, the semen was obtained from donor male(s) which comply with at least one of the following conditions in accordance to the WOAH Terrestrial Code:

- * (a) they were kept in a BTV free country or zone for a period of at least 60 days before commencement of, and during, collection of the semen; OR
- * (b) they were subjected to a serological test to detect antibodies to the BTV group, with negative results, at least every 60 days during the collection period and between 28 and 60 days after the final collection for this consignment; OR
- * (c) they were subjected, with negative results, to an agent identification test for BTV carried out on blood samples collected:

- (i) at commencement and final collection of the semen for this consignment, and
- (ii) during the period of semen collection for this consignment:

- *i. at least every 7 days, in the case of a virus isolation test, or
- *ii. at least every 28 days, in the case of a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test;

- 5) **Regarding SCRAPIE**, the semen was obtained from donor male(s) which are permanently identified to enable tracing back to their establishment of origin, and comply with at least one of the following conditions:

- * (a) they originated from holding with negligible or controlled risk status for scrapie as accredited by the responsible authority in the UK; OR
- * (b) (in the case of sheep) they are an ARR/ARR prion protein genotype which is considered to be resistant to classical scrapie;

- 6) **Regarding infection with CHLAMYDIA ABORTUS** (enzootic abortion of ewes (EAE), ovine chlamydiosis), the semen was obtained from donor male(s) which comply with the following conditions:

- (a) have been kept in establishments or artificial insemination centres free from EAE in accordance with the WOAH Terrestrial Code for 2 years prior to collection, and have not been in contact with animals of a lower health status; or
- (b) have remained since birth, or for the 2 years prior to collection, in establishments where no EAE has been diagnosed, and were subjected to a diagnostic test for EAE with negative results between 14 to 21 days after collection of the semen;

- 7) All the above tests have been carried out at laboratories approved by the competent veterinary authority;

- 8) The semen described above was obtained from donor male(s) which:

- a) showed no clinical signs of disease on the day(s) of semen collection;
- b) have not been used for natural service while at the approved Semen Collection Centre;
- c) have not been vaccinated against foot and mouth disease.
- d) were born and remained in the country of export since birth until collection of semen.
- e) have undergone clinical examination for physical abnormalities.
- f) are registered with the competent veterinary authority of the United Kingdom.

9) The semen described above:

- a) has been treated during processing by the addition of antibiotics to produce these concentrations in the final diluted semen:
 - *EITHER: not less than 250 µg per ml gentamycin, 50 µg per ml tylosin, 150/300 µg per ml lincomycin-spectinomycin,
 - *OR: an approved alternative combination of antibiotics with an equivalent effect against Campylobacters, Leptospire and Mycoplasmas, namely
- b) has been collected, handled/ processed in accordance with the provisions of the WOAHA Terrestrial Code in accordance with Chapters 4.6., 4.7., 4.8., 4.9. and 4.10., as relevant.
- c) has been stored in an approved Semen Collection Centre for at least 30 days before dispatch;
- d) has been placed in a new or previously cleaned and disinfected container, which before dispatch was sealed under veterinary supervision. The seal number is stated at paragraph III.3) above;

10) The United Kingdom is free at the time of semen collection from foot and mouth disease, peste des petits ruminants, rift valley fever and rinderpest in accordance with the WOAHA terrestrial Animal Health Code and is free from sheep and goat pox, contagious caprine pleuropneumonia and ovine/caprine brucellosis at the time of semen collection;

11) The approved Semen Collection Centre in which the semen described above in paragraph II 1) was collected is located at the centre of an area of 10 kilometres radius in which there has been no case of foot and mouth disease for at least 30 days prior to the date(s) of semen collection.

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Official Stamp

Signed RCVS

Official Veterinarian

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Name in block letters

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