



**VETERINARY HEALTH CERTIFICATE
EXPORT OF EQUINE SEMEN TO THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY
(UNITED KINGDOM)**

1. CONSIGNOR (NAME AND FULL ADDRESS)	ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE NO. _____ ORIGINAL
	2. THIRD COUNTRY OF COLLECTION CANADA
3. CONSIGNEE (NAME AND FULL ADDRESS)	4. COMPETENT AUTHORITY CANADIAN FOOD INSPECTION AGENCY GOVERNMENT OF CANADA
5. COMPETENT LOCAL AUTHORITY	6. PLACE OF LOADING
7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE COLLECTION CENTRE	8. MEANS OF TRANSPORT
	9. PLACE AND MEMBER STATE OF DESTINATION
10. REGISTRATION NUMBER OF THE COLLECTION CENTRE	11. NUMBER AND CODE-MARK OF CONTAINERS
12. IDENTIFICATION OF CONSIGNMENT: FRESH / CHILLED / FROZEN ⁽¹⁾ EQUINE SEMEN	
12.1 NUMBER OF CONTAINERS	12.2 DATE(S) OF COLLECTION
12.3 SPECIES: EQUINE	12.4 BREED
12.5 DONORS IDENTITY	
NOTE: A SEPARATE CERTIFICATE MUST BE ISSUED FOR EACH CONSIGNMENT OF SEMEN.	

13. I, the undersigned Official Veterinarian of Canada have read and am familiar with Council Directive 92/65/EEC as amended and certify that:

13.1. the semen collection center in which the semen described above was collected, processed and stored for export to the European Union:

13.1.1. is approved and supervised by the competent authority according to the conditions of Chapter I, Annex D of Directive 92/65/EEC;

13.1.2. is situated on the territory or in the case of regionalisation according to Article 13 of Directive 90/426/EEC in a part of the territory ⁽¹⁾ of the country of export which was on the day the semen was collected until the date of despatch free of:

- African horse sickness, in accordance with EC legislation,
- Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis for two years,
- glanders for six months
- dourine for six months

13.1.3. was during the period commencing 30 days prior to the date of collection of the semen until the date of its despatch not subject to a prohibition order for animal health reasons which laid down one of the following conditions:

- 13.1.3.1. if not all the animals of species susceptible to the disease located on the holding were slaughtered, the prohibition lasted for:
- six months, beginning on the day on which the equidae suffering from the disease are slaughtered, in the case of equine encephalomyelitis,
 - a period required to carry out with negative results, two Coggins tests three months apart on the animals remaining after the infected animals have been slaughtered, in the case of infectious equine anemia,
 - six months, in the case of vesicular stomatitis,
 - one month from the last recorded case, in the case of rabies,
 - 15 days from the last recorded case, in the case of anthrax.
- 13.1.3.2. if all the animals of species susceptible to the disease located on the holding have been slaughtered and the premises disinfected, the prohibition lasted for 30 days, or 15 days in the case of anthrax, beginning on the day on which following the destruction of the animals, the disinfection of the premises was satisfactorily completed;
- 13.1.4. contained during the period commencing 30 days prior to semen collection and lasting until the date of its dispatch only equidae which were free of clinical signs of equine viral arteritis and contagious equine metritis;
- 13.2. prior to entering the semen collection center, the donor stallions and any other equidae located in the center:
- 13.2.1. were continuously resident for three months (or since entry if they were directly imported from a Member State of the European Union during the three month period) on the territory or in the case of regionalization in a part of the territory ⁽¹⁾ of the country of export which was during that period free of:
- African horse sickness, in accordance with Community legislation,
 - Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis for two years,
 - glanders for six months
 - dourine for six months;
- 13.2.2. **either** originated from the territory of the country of export which was on the day of admission into the center free of vesicular stomatitis for six months
- or** were tested by a virus neutralization test for vesicular stomatitis on a blood sample taken on _____ ⁽²⁾, this being within 14 days prior to entering the center, with negative results at a serum dilution of 1 in 12 ⁽¹⁾;
- 13.2.3. originated from holdings which on the day of admission onto the center fulfilled the requirements of paragraph 13.1.3. above;
- 13.3. the semen described above was collected from donor stallions which:
- 13.3.1. on the day the semen was collected, have not shown clinical signs of an infectious or contagious disease,
- 13.3.2. during at least 30 days prior to collection of the semen, have not been used for natural service,
- 13.3.3. during the last 30 days prior to collection of the semen, have been kept on holdings where no equine animal showed clinical signs of equine viral arteritis,
- 13.3.4. during the last 60 days prior to collection of the semen, have been kept on holdings where no equine animal showed clinical signs of contagious equine metritis,
- 13.3.5. to the best of my knowledge and as far as I could ascertain, have not been in contact with equidae suffering from an infectious or contagious disease during the 15 days immediately preceding the collection of the semen;
- 13.3.6. have undergone the following animal health tests carried out in a laboratory recognized by the competent authority in accordance with a test program as specified in 13.3.7:
- 13.3.6.1. an agar-gel immunodiffusion test (Coggins test) for equine infectious anemia with negative results;
- 13.3.6.2. **either** a serum neutralization test for equine viral arteritis with negative results at a serum dilution of 1 in 4, **or** a virus isolation test for equine viral arteritis carried out with negative results on an aliquot of the entire semen;
- 13.3.6.3. a test for contagious equine metritis carried out on two occasions with an interval of seven days by isolation of *Taylorella equigenitalis* from pre-ejaculatory fluid or a semen sample and from genital swabs taken at least from the penile sheath, urethra and from the urethral fossa with negative results in each case.
- 13.3.7. have been subjected to one of the following test programmes ⁽³⁾:

13.3.7.1. The donor stallion was continuously resident on the collection center for at least 30 days prior to the semen collection, and during the collection period, and no equidae on the collection center came during that time into direct contact with equidae of lower health status than the donor stallions.

The tests required in paragraph 13.3.6. have been carried out on samples taken

on _____⁽²⁾ and on _____⁽²⁾ at least 14 days after the commencement of the above residence period and at least at the beginning of the breeding season.

13.3.7.2. The donor stallion was not continuously resident on the collection center or other equidae on the collection center came into direct contact with equidae of lower health status than the donor stallions.

The tests required in paragraph 13.3.6. have been carried out on samples taken

on _____⁽²⁾ and on _____⁽²⁾ within the 14 days period before the first collection and at least at the beginning of the breeding season.

The test required in paragraph 13.3.6.1. was carried out on a sample of blood taken not more than 120 days before the semen was collected on _____⁽²⁾.

The test required in paragraph 13.3.6.2.

either was last carried out not more than 30 days before the semen was collected

on _____⁽²⁾⁽¹⁾

or the non-shedder state of the seropositive stallion for equine viral arteritis was confirmed by a virus isolation test which was carried out not more than one year before the semen was collected

on _____⁽²⁾⁽¹⁾.

13.3.7.3 The tests required in paragraph 13.3.6. have been carried out during the 30 days mandatory storage period of frozen semen and not less than 14 days after the collection of the semen on samples taken

on _____⁽²⁾ and on _____⁽²⁾.

13.4. the semen described above was collected, processed, stored, and transported under conditions which comply with the requirements of Chapter II and III of Annex D of Council Directive 92/65/EEC.

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- (2) Insert date.
- (3) Cross out the programs that do not apply to this consignment.
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Done at _____, on _____

Signature of Official Veterinarian ⁽⁴⁾
Canadian Food Inspection Agency
Government of Canada / *Gouvernement du Canada*

Official Export Stamp ⁽⁴⁾

Name and qualification in block letters