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COMMISSION DECISION

of 7 February 2008

amending Annex D to Council Directive 88/407/EEC and  
Commission Decision 2004/639/EC laying down the importation  
conditions of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species

(notified under document number C(2008) 409)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2008/120/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 88/407/EEC of 14 June 1988 laying down the animal health requirements applicable to intra-Community trade in and imports of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species<sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 8(1), the first subparagraph of Article 10(2), Article 11(2) and the second paragraph of Article 17 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Directive 88/407/EEC laid down the animal health requirements governing trade in and imports into the Community of semen of domestic animals of bovine species and established the model veterinary certificates for intra-Community trade of that commodity.
- (2) Directive 2003/43/EC<sup>(2)</sup> amended Directive 88/407/EEC by introducing, inter alia, semen storage centres and conditions for the official approval and the official supervision of those centres.
- (3) Commission Decision 2004/639/EC of 6 September 2004 laying down the importation conditions of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species<sup>(3)</sup> sets out the model veterinary certificates for imports into the Community of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species. That Decision should be adapted in line with Directive 88/407/EEC and the list of third countries from which Member States authorise imports of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species should be supplemented.
- (4) In addition, the model veterinary certificates for intra-Community trade in and imports into the Community of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species dispatched from approved semen storage centres should be introduced in order to ensure the full traceability of that semen in intra-Community trade.

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- (5) It is appropriate for the certificates to be presented in accordance with the standardised layout of veterinary certificates as set out in Commission Decision 2004/292/EC of 30 March 2004 on the introduction of the Traces system and amending Decision 92/486/EEC<sup>(4)</sup> and to align certain animal health requirements.
- (6) The models of certificates for intra-Community trade in semen of domestic animals of the bovine species laid down in Annex D to Directive 88/407/EEC should also be amended to take into account the standardised layout of veterinary certificates.
- (7) Directive 88/407/EEC and Decision 2004/639/EC should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (8) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

Annex D to Directive 88/407/EEC is replaced by the text in Annex I to this Decision.

*Article 2*

Decision 2004/639/EC is amended as follows:

1. in Article 1, the following paragraph is added:
5. Without prejudice to paragraph 4, Member States shall authorise the importation of semen referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 of domestic animals of the bovine species dispatched from approved semen storage centres, conforming to the conditions laid down in the model veterinary certificate in Annex II, Part 3 and accompanied by such a certificate duly completed.
2. Annexes I and II are replaced by the text in Annex II to this Decision.

*Article 3*

This Decision shall apply from 1 March 2008.

*Article 4*

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 7 February 2008.

*For the Commission*

Markos KYPRIANOU

*Member of the Commission*

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ANNEX I

ANNEX D

MODELS OF CERTIFICATES FOR INTRA-COMMUNITY TRADE

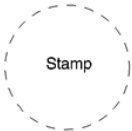
ANNEX D1

**Model of certificate applicable to intra-Community trade in semen collected in accordance with Council Directive 88/407/EEC, as amended by Directive 2003/43/EC, dispatched from an approved semen collection centre**

EUROPEAN COMMUNITY				Intra-Community trade certificate				
Part I: Details of consignment presented	I.1. Consignor Name Address Postal code				I.2. Certificate reference number		I.2.a. Local reference number	
					I.3. Central Competent Authority			
					I.4. Local Competent Authority			
	I.5. Consignee Name Address Postal code				I.6. No(s) of related original certificates No(s) of accompanying documents			
	I.7.							
	I.8. Country of origin		ISO code		I.9. Region of origin		Code	
	I.10. Country of destination		ISO code		I.11. Region of destination		Code	
	I.12. Place of origin  Semen centre <input type="checkbox"/>  Name Address Postal code  Approval number				I.13. Place of destination  Semen centre <input type="checkbox"/>  Name Address Postal code  Holding <input type="checkbox"/>  Approval number			
	I.14. Place of loading Postal code				I.15. Date of departure			
	I.16. Means of transport Aeroplane <input type="checkbox"/> Ship <input type="checkbox"/> Railway wagon <input type="checkbox"/> Road vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>				I.17.			
I.18. Description of commodity				I.19. Commodity code (CN code) <b>05 11 10</b>				
I.21. Temperature of products Ambient <input type="checkbox"/> Chilled <input type="checkbox"/> Frozen <input type="checkbox"/>				I.20. Number/quantity		I.22. Number of packages		
I.23. Identification of container/seal number				I.24. Type of packaging				
I.25. Commodities certified for: Artificial reproduction <input type="checkbox"/>								
I.26. Transit through third country <input type="checkbox"/>		ISO code		I.27. Transit through Member States <input type="checkbox"/>		ISO code		
Third country		Code		Member State		ISO code		
Exit point		BIP unit No		Member State		ISO code		
Entry point				Member State		ISO code		
I.28. Export <input type="checkbox"/>				I.29.				
Third country		ISO code						
Exit point		Code						
I.30.								
I.31. Identification of the commodities								
Species (Scientific name)		Identification mark		Quantity				

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EUROPEAN COMMUNITY		Bovine semen	
		II.a. Certificate reference number	II.b. Local reference number
Part II: Certification	<b>II.1. Animal health attestation</b>		
	I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify that:		
	<b>II.1.1. The semen described above:</b>		
	(a) was collected, processed and stored under conditions which comply with the standards laid down in Directive 88/407/EEC;		
	(b) was sent to the place of loading in a sealed container under conditions which comply with Directive 88/407/EEC and bearing the number detailed in Part I.23;		
	<b>II.1.2. The semen described above was collected from bulls, which:</b>		
	( <sup>1</sup> ) <i>either</i> [have not been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease within 12 months prior to collection;]		
	( <sup>1</sup> ) <i>or</i> [have been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease less than 12 months and more than 30 days prior to the collection, and 5 % of doses of semen of each collection, with a minimum of five straws, have been submitted to a virus isolation test for foot-and-mouth disease, carried out with negative results in the laboratory (.....) ( <sup>2</sup> ) situated in or designated by the Member State of destination;]		
	<b>II.1.3. The semen described above was stored in approved conditions for a minimum period of 30 days immediately following collection (<sup>3</sup>).</b>		
	<b>Notes</b>		
<b>Part I</b>			
— Box I.12: place of origin shall correspond to the semen collection centre (as defined in Article 2(b) first indent of Directive 88/407/EEC) of semen origin.			
— Box I.13: place of destination shall correspond to the semen collection or storage centre (as defined in Article 2(b) of Directive 88/407/EEC), or to the holding of semen destination.			
— Box I.23: identification of container and seal number shall be indicated.			
— Box I.31: identification mark shall correspond to the identification of the donor animals and the date of collection.			
<b>Part II</b>			
( <sup>1</sup> ) Delete as appropriate.			
( <sup>2</sup> ) Name of the laboratory.			
( <sup>3</sup> ) May be deleted for fresh semen.			
— The colour of the stamp and signature must be different from that of the other particulars in the certificate.			
Official veterinarian or official inspector			
Name (in capital letters):		Qualification and title:	
Local Veterinary Unit:		No of the related LVU:	
Date:		Signature:	
			

## ANNEX D2

**Model of certificate applicable from 1 January 2006 to intra-Community trade in stocks of semen collected, processed and/or stored before 31 December 2004 in conformity with the provisions of Council Directive 88/407/EEC, applying**

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**until 1 July 2003 and traded after that date in accordance with Article 2(2) of Directive 2003/43/EC, dispatched from an approved semen collection centre**

EUROPEAN COMMUNITY		Intra-Community trade certificate		
Part I: Details of consignment presented	I.1. Consignor Name Address Postal code		I.2. Certificate reference number	I.2.a. Local reference number
			I.3. Central Competent Authority	
			I.4. Local Competent Authority	
	I.5. Consignee Name Address Postal code		I.6. No(s) of related original certificates No(s) of accompanying documents	
			I.7.	
	I.8. Country of origin	ISO code	I.9. Region of origin	Code
	I.10. Country of destination	ISO code	I.11. Region of destination	Code
	I.12. Place of origin  Semen centre <input type="checkbox"/>  Name Address Postal code  Approval number		I.13. Place of destination  Semen centre <input type="checkbox"/> Holding <input type="checkbox"/>  Name Address Postal code  Approval number	
	I.14. Place of loading Postal code		I.15. Date of departure	
	I.16. Means of transport Aeroplane <input type="checkbox"/> Ship <input type="checkbox"/> Railway wagon <input type="checkbox"/> Road vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>		I.17.	
I.18. Description of commodity		I.19. Commodity code (CN code) <b>05 11 10</b>		
I.21. Temperature of products Ambient <input type="checkbox"/> Chilled <input type="checkbox"/> Frozen <input type="checkbox"/>		I.20. Number/quantity		
I.23. Identification of container/seal number		I.22. Number of packages		
I.25. Commodities certified for: Artificial reproduction <input type="checkbox"/>		I.24. Type of packaging		
I.26. Transit through third country <input type="checkbox"/> Third country Exit point Entry point		I.27. Transit through Member States <input type="checkbox"/> Member State Member State Member State		
I.28. Export <input type="checkbox"/> Third country Exit point		I.29.		
I.30.				
I.31. Identification of the commodities Species (Scientific name)		Identification mark  Quantity		

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## Bovine semen

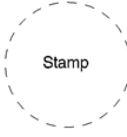
Part II: Certification		II.a. Certificate reference number	II.b. Local reference number
		<p><b>II.1. Animal health attestation</b></p> <p>I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify that:</p> <p><b>II.1.1.</b> The semen described above was collected before the date of 31 December 2004 on a semen collection centre which:</p> <p>(a) was approved under conditions laid down in Chapter I of Annex A to Directive 88/407/EEC;</p> <p>(b) was operated and supervised under conditions laid down in Chapter II of Annex A to Directive 88/407/EEC;</p> <p><b>II.1.2.</b> At the time the semen described above was collected, all bovine animals at the semen collection centre:</p> <p>(a) came from herds and/or were born to dams which satisfy the conditions of points 1 (b) and (c) in Chapter I of Annex B to Directive 88/407/EEC;</p> <p>(b) have, within the 30 days preceding the quarantine isolation period, undergone, with negative results:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— the tests referred to in points 1(d) (i), (ii) and (iii) of Chapter I of Annex B to Directive 88/407/EEC, and</li> <li>— a serum neutralisation test or ELISA test for infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/infectious pustular vulvovaginitis, and</li> <li>— a virus isolation test (fluorescent antibody test or immunoperoxidase test) for bovine viral diarrhoea, which in the case of an animal less than six months of age has been deferred until that age was reached;</li> </ul> <p>(c) have satisfied the quarantine isolation period of 30 days and have been subjected with the required negative results to the following health tests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— a serological test for brucellosis carried out in accordance with the procedure described in Annex C to Directive 64/432/EEC;</li> <li>— either an immunofluorescent antibody test or a culture test for <i>Campylobacter fetus</i> infection on a sample of preputial material or artificial vagina washings, or, in the case of a female animal, a vaginal mucus agglutination test;</li> <li>— a microscopic examination and culture test for <i>Trichomonas foetus</i> on a sample of preputial material or artificial vagina washings, or in case of a female animal a vaginal mucus agglutination test;</li> </ul> <p>(d) have undergone, at least once a year, with negative results, the routine tests referred to in points 1(a), (b) and (c) in Chapter II of Annex B to Directive 88/407/EEC;</p> <p><b>II.1.3.</b> At the time the semen described above was collected,</p> <p>(a) all female bovine animals in the centre have undergone, at least once a year, a vaginal mucus agglutination test for <i>Campylobacter fetus</i> infection with negative results, and</p> <p>(b) all bulls used for semen production have undergone with negative result either an immunofluorescent antibody test or a culture test for <i>Campylobacter fetus</i> infection on a sample of preputial material or artificial vagina washings carried out within 12 months prior to collection;</p> <p><b>II.1.4.</b> The semen described above was collected from bulls standing in a semen collection centre in which:</p> <p>(<sup>1</sup>) <i>either</i> [all bovine animals have not been vaccinated against infectious bovine rhinotracheitis and have undergone at least once a year with negative result a serum neutralisation test or an ELISA test for infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/infectious pustular vulvovaginitis;]</p> <p>(<sup>1</sup>) <i>or</i> [bovine animals not vaccinated against infectious bovine rhinotracheitis have undergone, at least once a year, with negative result a serum neutralisation test or ELISA test for infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/infectious pustular vulvovaginitis, and testing for infectious bovine rhinotracheitis is not carried out on bulls which have received a first vaccination against infectious bovine rhinotracheitis at the insemination centre after they have been tested with negative result in a serum neutralisation test or ELISA test for infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/infectious pustular vulvovaginitis and which since the first vaccination have been regularly re-vaccinated with an interval of not more than six months;]</p>	

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**Bovine semen**

<p>II.1.5. The semen described above was collected from bulls which:</p> <p>II.1.5.1.</p> <p>(<sup>1</sup>) <i>either</i> [have not been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease within 12 months prior to collection;]</p> <p>(<sup>1</sup>) <i>or</i> [have been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease less than 12 months and more than 30 days prior to collection, and 5 % of doses of the semen from each collection, with a minimum of five straws, have been submitted to a virus isolation test for foot-and-mouth disease, carried out with negative results in the laboratory (.....) (<sup>2</sup>), situated in or designated by the Member State of destination;]</p> <p>II.1.5.2.</p> <p>(<sup>1</sup>) <i>either</i> [have not been vaccinated against infectious bovine rhinotracheitis;]</p> <p>(<sup>1</sup>) <i>or</i> [have been vaccinated against infectious bovine rhinotracheitis in accordance with point II.1.4.]</p> <p>II.1.6. The semen described above was stored in approved conditions for a minimum period of 30 days immediately following collection (<sup>3</sup>).</p> <p>II.1.7. The semen described above was sent to the place of loading in a sealed container and bearing the number detailed in Part I.23.</p> <p><b>Notes</b></p> <p><b>Part I</b></p> <p>— Box I.12: place of origin shall correspond to the semen collection centre (as defined in Article 2(b) first indent of Directive 88/407/EEC) of semen origin.</p> <p>— Box I.13: place of destination shall correspond to the semen collection or storage centre (as defined in Article 2(b) of Directive 88/407/EEC), or to the holding of semen destination.</p> <p>— Box I.23: identification of container and seal number shall be indicated.</p> <p>— Box I.31: identification mark shall correspond to the identification of the donor animals, the breed of the donor animals, the date of collection which must be earlier than 31 December 2004.</p> <p><b>Part II</b></p> <p>(<sup>1</sup>) Delete as appropriate.</p> <p>(<sup>2</sup>) Name of the laboratory.</p> <p>(<sup>3</sup>) May be deleted for fresh semen.</p> <p>— The colour of the stamp and signature must be different from that of the other particulars in the certificate.</p>						
<p>Official veterinarian or official inspector</p> <table><tr><td>Name (in capital letters):</td><td>Qualification and title:</td></tr><tr><td>Local Veterinary Unit:</td><td>No of the related LVU:</td></tr><tr><td>Date:</td><td>Signature:</td></tr></table> <p style="text-align: center;"></p>	Name (in capital letters):	Qualification and title:	Local Veterinary Unit:	No of the related LVU:	Date:	Signature:
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Date:	Signature:					

- ANNEX Model of certificate applicable to intra-Community trade in semen dispatched from D3 an approved semen storage centre or an approved semen collection centre:
- either collected in accordance with Council Directive 88/407/EEC as amended by Directive 2003/43/EC;
  - or collected, processed and/or stored before 31 December 2004 in conformity with the provisions of Council Directive 88/407/EEC, applying until 1 July 2003 and traded after that date in accordance with Article 2(2) of Directive 2003/43/EC.

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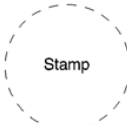
## Intra-Community trade certificate

Part I: Details of consignment presented	I.1. Consignor Name Address Postal code		I.2. Certificate reference number		I.2.a. Local reference number			
			I.3. Central Competent Authority					
			I.4. Local Competent Authority					
	I.5. Consignee Name Address Postal code		I.6. No(s) of related original certificates No(s) of accompanying documents					
			I.7.					
	I.8. Country of origin	ISO code	I.9. Region of origin	Code	I.10. Country of destination	ISO code	I.11. Region of destination	Code
	I.12. Place of origin  Semen centre <input type="checkbox"/>  Name Address Postal code  Approval number				I.13. Place of destination  Semen centre <input type="checkbox"/> Holding <input type="checkbox"/>  Name Address Postal code  Approval number			
	I.14. Place of loading Postal code				I.15. Date of departure			
	I.16. Means of transport Aeroplane <input type="checkbox"/> Ship <input type="checkbox"/> Railway wagon <input type="checkbox"/> Road vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>				I.17.			
	I.18. Description of commodity					I.19. Commodity code (CN code) <b>05 11 10</b>		
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	I.21. Temperature of products Ambient <input type="checkbox"/> Chilled <input type="checkbox"/> Frozen <input type="checkbox"/>					I.22. Number of packages		
	I.23. Identification of container/seal number					I.24. Type of packaging		
	I.25. Commodities certified for: Artificial reproduction <input type="checkbox"/>							
	I.26. Transit through third country <input type="checkbox"/> Third country Exit point Entry point				I.27. Transit through Member States <input type="checkbox"/> Member State Member State Member State			
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EUROPEAN COMMUNITY		Bovine semen	
		II.a. Certificate reference number	II.b. Local reference number
Part II: Certification	<b>II.1. Animal health attestation</b>		
	I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify that:		
	the semen described above:		
	II.1.1. has been collected, processed and stored for a minimum period of 30 days immediately following collection in an approved semen collection centre <sup>(2)</sup> in		
	<sup>(1)</sup> <i>either</i> [a Member State, operated and supervised in accordance with Chapter I(1) and Chapter II(1) of Annex A to Directive 88/407/EEC;]		
	<sup>(1)</sup> <i>and/or</i> [a third country listed in Annex I to Decision 2004/639/EC, operated and supervised in accordance with Chapter I(1) and Chapter II(1) of Annex A to Directive 88/407/EEC, and has been imported to the Community under the conditions of Directive 88/407/EEC;]		
	II.1.2.		
	<sup>(1)</sup> <i>either</i> [was stored in an approved semen storage centre <sup>(2)</sup> mentioned in Part I.12, operated and supervised in accordance with Chapter I(2) and Chapter II(2) of Annex A to Directive 88/407/EEC;]		
	<sup>(1)</sup> <i>and/or</i> [was stored in an approved semen collection centre <sup>(2)</sup> mentioned in Part I.12, operated and supervised in accordance with Chapter I(1) and Chapter II(1) of Annex A to Directive 88/407/EEC;]		
	II.1.3. was sent to the place of loading in a sealed container under conditions which comply with Directive 88/407/EEC and bearing the number detailed in Part I.23.		
<b>Notes</b>			
<b>Part I</b>			
— Box I.6: should correspond to the serial number of the individual official document(s) or health certificate(s) [either INTRA or CVED] that accompanied the semen described above from the approved semen collection centre of its origin to the described above semen storage centre. The original of those documents or those certificates or the officially endorsed copies thereof must be attached to this certificate.			
— Box I.12: place of origin shall correspond to the semen collection or storage centre (as defined in Article 2(b) of Directive 88/407/EEC) of semen origin.			
— Box I.13: place of destination shall correspond to the semen collection or storage centre (as defined in Article 2(b) of Directive 88/407/EEC), or to the holding of semen destination.			
— Box I.23: identification of container and seal number shall be indicated.			
— Box I.31: identification mark shall correspond to the identification of the donor animals, the breed of the donor animals, the date of collection.			
<b>Part II</b>			
<sup>(1)</sup> Delete as appropriate			
<sup>(2)</sup> Only centres listed in accordance with Article 5(2) and 9(1) of Directive 88/407/EEC. <a href="http://circa.europa.eu/irc/sanco/vets/info/data/semenv/semenv.html">http://circa.europa.eu/irc/sanco/vets/info/data/semenv/semenv.html</a>			
— The colour of the stamp and signature must be different from that of the other particulars in the certificate.			
Official veterinarian or official inspector			
Name (in capital letters):		Qualification and title:	
Local Veterinary Unit:		No of the related LVU:	
Date:		Signature:	
			

## ANNEX II

ANNEX List of third countries from which Member States authorise imports of  
 I semen of domestic animals of the bovine species OJ L 146, 14.6.1979, p.

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15. Annex as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1791/2006 (OJ L 363, 20.12.2006, p. 1). ISO code Country Description of territory (if appropriate) Additional guarantees  
AU Australia The additional guarantees set out in points II.5.4.1.2 and II.5.4.2.2 of the certificate in Part 1 of Annex II are compulsory.  
CA Canada Territory as described in Part 1 of Annex I to Council Decision 79/542/EEC. The additional guarantee set out in point II.5.4.1.2 of the certificate in Part 1 of Annex II is compulsory.  
CH Switzerland  
HR Croatia  
NZ New Zealand  
US United States The additional guarantee set out in point II.5.4.1.2 of the certificate in Part 1 of Annex II is compulsory.

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## ANNEX II

### Model veterinary certificates for imports and transits of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species (for import, collected in accordance with Council Directive 88/407/EEC as amended by Directive 2003/43/EC)

#### PART 1

#### Model certificate applicable to imports and transits of semen collected in accordance with Council Directive 88/407/EEC as amended by Directive 2003/43/EC dispatched from an approved semen collection centre

COUNTRY		Veterinary certificate to EU		
Part I: Details of dispatched consignment	I.1. Consignor Name Address Tel.		I.2. Certificate reference number I.2.a. <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 15px;"></span>	
			I.3. Central Competent Authority	
			I.4. Local Competent Authority	
	I.5. Consignee Name Address Postal code Tel.		I.6. Person responsible for the load in EU Name Address Postal code 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 Address Approval number Name Address Approval number Name Address Approval number		I.12. Place of destination Name Address Postal code	
	I.13. Place of loading		I.14. Date of departure	
	I.15. Means of transport Aeroplane <input type="checkbox"/> Ship <input type="checkbox"/> Railway wagon <input type="checkbox"/> Road vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>		I.16. Entry BIP in EU	
	Identification: Documentary references:		I.17. <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100%; height: 15px;"></span>	
	I.18. Description of commodity		I.19. Commodity code (HS code) <b>05 11 10</b>	I.20. Quantity
	I.21. <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100%; height: 15px;"></span>		I.22. Number of packages	
	I.23. Identification of container/Seal number		I.24. <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100%; height: 15px;"></span>	
	I.25. Commodities certified for: Artificial reproduction <input type="checkbox"/>			
I.26. For transit through EU to third Country <input type="checkbox"/> Third country <input type="text"/> ISO code <input type="text"/>		I.27. For import or admission into EU <input type="checkbox"/>		
I.28. Identification of the commodities				
Species (Scientific name)		Identification mark	Quantity	

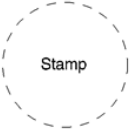
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COUNTRY	Bovine semen
	II.a. Certificate reference number
Part II: Certification	<p><b>II. Health information</b></p> <p>I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify that:</p> <p>II.1. ....                      (name of exporting country) <sup>(2)</sup></p> <p>was free from rinderpest and foot-and-mouth disease during the 12 months immediately prior to collection of the semen for export and until its date of dispatch and no vaccination against these diseases has taken place during the same period.</p> <p>II.2. The centre at which the semen to be exported was collected:</p> <p>II.2.1. meets the conditions laid down in Chapter I(1) of Annex A to Council Directive 88/407/EEC;</p> <p>II.2.2. is operated and supervised in accordance with the conditions laid down in Chapter II(1) of Annex A to Council Directive 88/407/EEC.</p> <p>II.3. The centre at which the semen to be exported was collected was free from rabies, tuberculosis, brucellosis, anthrax and contagious bovine pleuropneumonia during 30 days prior to the date of collection of the semen to be exported and the 30 days after collection (in the case of fresh semen until the day of dispatch).</p> <p>II.4. The bovine animals standing at the semen collection centre:</p> <p>II.4.1. come from herds and/or were born to dams which satisfy the conditions of paragraph 1(b) and (c) of Chapter I of Annex B to Directive 88/407/EEC;</p> <p>II.4.2. underwent the tests required in accordance with paragraph 1(d) of Chapter I of Annex B to Directive 88/407/EEC in the 28 days preceding the quarantine isolation period;</p> <p>II.4.3. have satisfied the quarantine isolation period and testing requirements laid down in paragraph 1(e) of Chapter I of Annex B to Directive 88/407/EEC;</p> <p>II.4.4. have undergone, at least once a year, the routine tests referred to in Chapter II of Annex B to Directive 88/407/EEC.</p> <p>II.5. The semen to be exported was obtained from donor bulls which:</p> <p>II.5.1. satisfy the conditions laid down in Annex C of Directive 88/407/EEC;</p> <p>II.5.2. have remained</p> <p><sup>(1)</sup> either [in the exporting country for at least the last six months prior to collection of the semen to be exported;]</p> <p><sup>(1)</sup> or [in the exporting country for at least 30 days prior to the collection of the semen since entry and they were imported from ..... <sup>(2)</sup> during the period of less than six months prior to the collection of the semen and satisfied the animal health conditions applying to donors of the semen which is intended for export to the Community;]</p> <p>II.5.3. fulfil the import conditions for bovine semen laid down in the Bluetongue Chapter of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code of the OIE, depending on the status of the country or zone of residence;</p> <p>II.5.4. were resident in the exporting country,</p> <p>II.5.4.1.</p> <p><sup>(1)</sup> either [II.5.4.1.1. which according to official findings is free from epizootic haemorrhagic disease (EHD);]</p> <p><sup>(1)</sup> or [II.5.4.1.2. in which according to official findings the following serotypes of epizootic haemorrhagic disease (EHD) exist: ..... and were tested negative on two occasions not more than 12 months apart to an agar-gel immuno-diffusion test <sup>(3)</sup> and to a virus neutralisation test for all above-listed serotypes of EHD, carried out in approved laboratory on samples of blood taken prior to and not less than 21 days following collection of the semen;]</p>

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COUNTRY	Bovine semen						
<p>II.5.4.2.</p> <p>(<sup>1</sup>) <i>either</i> [5.4.2.1. which according to official findings is free from Akabane disease and Aino disease;]</p> <p>(<sup>1</sup>) <i>or</i> [5.4.2.2. and were tested negative on two occasions not more than 12 months apart to a serum neutralisation test for Akabane virus and Aino virus carried out in approved laboratory on samples of blood taken prior to and not less than 21 days following collection of the semen;]</p> <p>II.6. The semen to be exported was collected after the date on which the centre was approved by the competent national authorities of the exporting country;</p> <p>II.7. The semen to be exported was processed, stored and transported under conditions which satisfy the terms of Directive 88/407/EEC.</p> <p><b>Notes</b></p> <p><b>Part I:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>— Box reference I.6: Person responsible for the load in EU: this box is to be filled in only if it is a certificate for transit commodity.</li><li>— Box reference I.12: Place of destination: this box is to be filled in only if it is a certificate for transit commodity.</li><li>— Box reference I.23: identification of container and seal number shall be indicated.</li><li>— Box reference I.26 and I.27: fill in according to whether it is a transit or an import certificate.</li><li>— Box reference I.28: identification mark shall correspond to the identification of the donor animals and the date of collection.</li></ul> <p><b>Part II:</b></p> <p>(<sup>1</sup>) Delete as necessary.</p> <p>(<sup>2</sup>) Countries listed in Annex I to Decision 2004/639/EC.</p> <p>(<sup>3</sup>) Standards for EHD virus diagnostic tests are described in the Bluetongue Chapter of the Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>— The signature and the stamp must be in a different colour to that of the printing.</li></ul>							
<p>Official veterinarian</p> <table><tr><td>Name (in capital letters):</td><td>Place:</td><td>Qualification and title:</td></tr><tr><td>Date:</td><td></td><td>Signature:</td></tr></table> <p style="text-align: center;"></p>		Name (in capital letters):	Place:	Qualification and title:	Date:		Signature:
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## PART 2

**Model certificate applicable from 1 January 2005 to imports and transits of stocks of semen collected, processed and stored before 31 December 2004 in conformity with the provisions of Council Directive 88/407/EEC applying until 1**



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COUNTRY	Bovine semen		
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Part II: Certification</p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; padding: 5px;">II.a. Certificate reference number</td> <td style="width: 50%;"></td> </tr> </table> <p><b>II. Health information</b></p> <p>I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify that:</p> <p>II.1. ....                      (name of exporting country) (²)</p> <p>has been free from rinderpest and foot-and-mouth disease during the 12 months immediately prior to collection of the semen for export and until its date of dispatch and no vaccination against these diseases has taken place during the same period.</p> <p>II.2. The semen described above was collected before 31 December 2004 at the semen collection centre which:</p> <p>II.2.1. meets the conditions laid down in Chapter I of Annex A to Directive 88/407/EEC;</p> <p>II.2.2. is operated and supervised in accordance with the conditions laid down in Chapter II of Annex A to Directive 88/407/EEC.</p> <p>II.3. The centre at which the semen to be exported was collected was free from rabies, tuberculosis, brucellosis, anthrax and contagious bovine pleuropneumonia during the period commencing 30 days prior to the date of collection of the semen to be exported and the 30 days after collection.</p> <p>II.4. At the time semen described above was collected, all bovine animals standing at the semen collection centre:</p> <p>II.4.1. came from herds and/or were born to dams which satisfy the conditions of paragraph 1(b) and (c) of Chapter I of Annex B to Directive 88/407/EEC;</p> <p>II.4.2. had tested negative, within the 30 days preceding the quarantine isolation period, to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— the tests referred to in points 1(d)(i), (ii) and (iii) of Chapter I of Annex B to Directive 88/407/EEC, and</li> <li>— a serum neutralisation test or an ELISA test for infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/infectious pustular vulvo-vaginitis, and</li> <li>— a virus isolation test (fluorescent antibody test or immunoperoxidase test) for bovine viral diarrhoea, deferred until the animal reached the age of six months in the case of younger animals;</li> </ul> <p>II.4.3. had undergone the 30-day quarantine isolation period and had tested negative to the following health tests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— a serological test for brucellosis carried out in accordance with the procedure described in Annex C to Directive 64/432/EEC;</li> <li>— either an immunofluorescent antibody test or a culture test for <i>Campylobacter fetus</i> infection on a sample of preputial material or artificial vagina washings, or, in the case of a female animal, a vaginal mucus agglutination test;</li> <li>— a microscopic examination and culture test for <i>Trichomonas foetus</i> on a sample of preputial material or artificial vagina washings, or in the case of a female animal a vaginal mucus agglutination test;</li> </ul> <p>II.4.4. had tested negative, at least once a year, to the routine tests referred to in points 1(a), (b) and (c) of Chapter II of Annex B to Directive 88/407/EEC.</p> <p>II.5. At the time the semen described above was collected,</p> <p>II.5.1. all female bovine animals in the centre had tested negative at least once a year to a vaginal mucus agglutination test for <i>Campylobacter fetus</i> infection, and</p> <p>II.5.2. all bulls used for semen production had tested negative either to an immunofluorescent antibody test or to a culture test for <i>Campylobacter fetus</i> infection on a sample of preputial material or artificial vagina washings carried out in 12 months prior to collection.</p> <p>II.6. The semen to be exported was obtained from donor bulls which</p> <p>II.6.1. satisfy the conditions laid down in Annex C of Directive 88/407/EEC;</p>	II.a. Certificate reference number	
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**COUNTRY****Bovine semen**

II.6.2.

(<sup>1</sup>) *either* [were resident in the exporting country during the six months immediately prior to collection of the semen for export;]

(<sup>1</sup>) *or* [were imported from ..... (<sup>2</sup>) after spending less than six months in the exporting country and at the time of import satisfied the animal health conditions applying to donors of the semen which is intended for export to the Community;]

II.6.3. stand in a semen collection centre at which:

(<sup>1</sup>) *either* [all bovine animals were not vaccinated against infectious bovine rhinotracheitis and tested negative at least once a year to a serum neutralisation test or an ELISA test for infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/infectious pustular vulvo-vaginitis;]

(<sup>1</sup>) *or* [bovine animals not vaccinated against infectious bovine rhinotracheitis tested negative, at least once a year, to a serum neutralisation test or an ELISA test for infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/infectious pustular vulvo-vaginitis, at which testing for infectious bovine rhinotracheitis was not carried out on bulls which had received their first vaccination against infectious bovine rhinotracheitis at the insemination centre after they had tested negative to a serum neutralisation test or an ELISA test for infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/infectious pustular vulvo-vaginitis and which had been regularly re-vaccinated at intervals of not more than six months since the first vaccination;]

II.6.4.

(<sup>1</sup>) *either* [have not been vaccinated against infectious bovine rhinotracheitis,]

(<sup>1</sup>) *or* [have been vaccinated against infectious bovine rhinotracheitis in accordance with point II.6.3,]

II.6.5. fulfil the import conditions for bovine semen laid down in the Bluetongue Chapter of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code of the OIE, depending on the status of the country or zone of residence;\*\*\*\*

II.6.6. were resident in the country of export in which the following serotypes of epizootic haemorrhagic disease (EHD) exist: .....; and tested negative on two occasions not more than 12 months apart to an agar-gel immuno-diffusion test (<sup>3</sup>) and to a virus neutralisation test for all above-listed serotypes of EHD, carried out in approved laboratory on samples of blood taken prior to and not less than 21 days following collection of the semen;\*\*\*

II.6.7. were resident in the country of export in which the following serotypes of epizootic haemorrhagic disease (EHD) exist: .....; and tested negative, prior to entry and at six-monthly intervals, to an agar-gel immuno-diffusion test (<sup>3</sup>) and a virus neutralisation test for all above-listed serotypes of EHD, carried out in approved laboratory;\*\*

II.6.8. tested negative on two occasions not more than 12 months apart to a serum neutralisation test for Akabane virus carried out in approved laboratory on samples of blood taken prior to and not less than 21 days following collection of the semen.\*

II.7. The semen to be exported was collected after the date on which the centre was approved by the competent national authorities of the exporting country.

II.8. The semen to be exported was processed, stored and transported under conditions which satisfy the terms of Directive 88/407/EEC prior to its amendment by Directive 2003/43/EC.

**Notes****Part I:**

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

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

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— Box reference I.28: identification mark shall correspond to the identification of the donor animals and the date of collection that must be prior to 31 December 2004.



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**COUNTRY**

**Bovine semen**

**Part II:**

- (<sup>1</sup>) Delete as necessary.
- (<sup>2</sup>) Countries listed in Annex I to Decision 2004/639/EC.
- (<sup>3</sup>) Standards for EHD virus diagnostic tests are described in the Bluetongue Chapter of the Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals.
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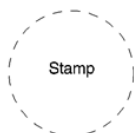
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**PART 3**

Model certificate applicable to imports and transits of semen dispatched from an approved semen storage centre or an approved semen collection centre:

- either collected and processed in accordance with the conditions of Council Directive 88/407/EEC as amended by Directive 2003/43/EC;
- or collected, processed and stored before 31 December 2004 in conformity with the provisions of Council Directive 88/407/EEC applying until 1 July 2003, and imported after 31 December 2004 in accordance with Article 2(2) of Directive 2003/43/EC.



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COUNTRY	Bovine semen
	II.a. Certificate reference number
Part II: Certification	<p><b>II. Health information</b></p> <p>I, the undersigned official veterinarian of ....., hereby certify that:                      (name of exporting country) <sup>(2)</sup></p> <p>II.1. The centre at which the semen to be exported to the Community was stored:</p> <p><sup>(1)</sup> either [II.1.1 meets the conditions laid down in Chapter I(1) of Annex A to Directive 88/407/EEC;                      and II.1.2 is operated and supervised in accordance with the conditions laid down in Chapter II(1) of Annex A to Council Directive 88/407/EEC.]</p> <p><sup>(1)</sup> or [II.1.1 meets the conditions laid down in Chapter I(2) of Annex A to Directive 88/407/EEC;                      and II.1.2 is operated and supervised in accordance with the conditions laid down in Chapter II(2) of Annex A to Council Directive 88/407/EEC.]</p> <p>II.2. The semen to be exported to the Community:</p> <p>II.2.1. has been collected, processed and stored for a minimum period of 30 days immediately following collection in an approved semen collection centre <sup>(3)</sup> operated and supervised in accordance with Chapter I(1) and Chapter II(1) of Annex A to Directive 88/407/EEC, and</p> <p><sup>(1)</sup> either [located in the exporting country:]</p> <p><sup>(1)</sup> and/or [located in ..... <sup>(2)</sup>,                      and has been imported to the exporting country under conditions at least as strict as for imports of semen of bovine species into the Community in accordance with Directive 88/407/EEC.]</p> <p>II.2.2. was stored under conditions which satisfy the terms of Directive 88/407/EEC;</p> <p>II.2.3. was sent to the place of loading in a sealed container under conditions which comply with Directive 88/407/EEC and bearing the number detailed in Part I.23.</p> <p><b>Notes</b></p> <p><b>Part I:</b></p> <p>— Box reference I.6: Person responsible for the load in EU: this box is to be filled in only if it is a certificate for transit commodity.</p> <p>— Box reference I.12: Place of destination: this box is to be filled in only if it is a certificate for transit commodity.</p> <p>— Box reference I.17: should correspond to the serial number of the individual official document(s) or health certificate(s) that accompanied the semen described above from the approved semen collection centre of its origin to the described above semen storage centre. The original(s) of those document(s) or those certificate(s) or the officially endorsed copies of thereof must be attached to this certificate.</p> <p>— Box reference I.23: identification of container and seal number shall be indicated.</p> <p>— Box reference I.26 and I.27: fill in according to whether it is a transit or an import certificate.</p> <p>— Box reference I.28: identification mark shall correspond to the identification of the donor animals and the date of collection.</p>

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**COUNTRY****Bovine semen****Part II:**

- (<sup>1</sup>) Delete as necessary.
- (<sup>2</sup>) Countries listed in Annex I to Decision 2004/639/EC and the Member States.
- (<sup>3</sup>) Only centres listed in accordance with Article 5(2) and 9(1) of Directive 88/407/EEC  
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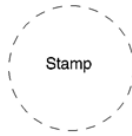
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- (1) [OJ L 194, 22.7.1988, p. 10](#). Directive as last amended by Commission Decision 2006/16/EC ([OJ L 11, 17.1.2006, p. 21](#)).
- (2) [OJ L 143, 11.6.2003, p. 23](#).
- (3) [OJ L 292, 15.9.2004, p. 21](#). Decision as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1792/2006 ([OJ L 362, 20.12.2006, p. 1](#)).
- (4) [OJ L 94, 31.3.2004, p. 63](#). Decision as last amended by Decision 2005/515/EC ([OJ L 187, 19.7.2005, p. 29](#)).

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