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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

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 [1], and in particular Article 8(1), the first subparagraph of Article 10(2), and Article 11(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Directive 88/407/EEC lays down the animal health conditions applicable to imports from third countries into the Union of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species. It provides that only semen that comes from a third country included on a list of third countries drawn up in accordance with that Directive and accompanied by an animal health certificate corresponding to a model also drawn up in accordance with that Directive, is to be imported into the Union. The animal health certificate is to certify that semen comes from semen collection and storage centres offering guarantees provided for in Article 9(1) of that Directive.

(2) Commission Decision 2004/639/EC of 6 September 2004 laying down the importation conditions of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species [2] currently sets out the list of third countries from which Member States are to authorise imports of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species in Annex I thereto.

(3) Under Article 8(2) of Directive 88/407/EEC, a Member State may authorise imports of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species only from those third countries which appear on a list to be drawn up in accordance with that Directive. In deciding whether a third country may appear on such a list, particular account is to be taken of various conditions, such as the state of health of the livestock.

[1] OJ L 194, 22.7.1988, p. 10.
[2] OJ L 292, 15.9.2004, p. 21.

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(4) Commission Regulation (EU) No 206/2010 of 12 March 2010 laying down lists of third countries, territories or parts thereof authorised for the introduction into the European Union of certain animals and fresh meat and the veterinary certification requirements ([1]) repealed and replaced Council Decision 79/542/EEC of 21 December 1976 drawing up a list of third countries or parts of third countries, and laying down animal and public health and veterinary certification conditions, for importation into the Community of certain live animals and their fresh meat ([2]). Regulation (EU) No 206/2010 sets out a list of third countries authorised for the introduction of ungulates into the Union in Annex I thereto. The conditions for the introduction of ungulates, laid down in that Regulation, are similar to the conditions for imports of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species laid down in Directive 88/407/EEC.

(5) There is no scientific evidence suggesting that, with regard to major exotic contagious diseases, the risks arising from the health status of the donor bovine male could be mitigated by treatment of the semen. Accordingly, the list of third countries from which Member States are to authorise imports of semen should be based on the animal health status of the third countries from which imports of live domestic animals of the bovine species are authorised. The list set out in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 206/2010 includes Chile, Iceland and Saint Pierre and Miquelon. Therefore, those third countries should also be included in the list set out in Annex I to Decision 2004/639/EC.

(6) The model animal health certificate in Part 1 of Annex II to Decision 2004/639/EC includes the animal health conditions for imports of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species into the Union. Currently, the conditions for enzootic bovine leukosis and epizootic haemorrhagic disease in that certificate are not entirely consistent with those set out respectively in Chapter I(1)(c) of Annex B to Directive 88/407/EEC and in the Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals of the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE). As a result, that model animal health certificate should be amended to take account of that provision of that Directive and that Manual.

(7) The model animal health certificate in Part 3 of Annex II to Decision 2004/639/EC applies to imports and transits of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species dispatched from a semen storage centre or a semen collection centre either collected and processed in accordance with the conditions of Directive 88/407/EEC, as amended by Council Directive 2003/43/EC ([3]), or collected processed and stored before 31 December 2004 in conformity with the provisions of 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.

([1]) OJ L 73, 20.3.2010, p. 1.
([2]) OJ L 146, 14.6.1979, p. 15.
([3]) OJ L 143, 11.6.2003, p. 23.

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(8) In order to ensure full traceability of the semen, the model animal health certificate in Part 3 of Annex II to Decision 2004/639/EC should be supplemented by additional certification requirements and only used for trade in semen of domestic animals of the bovine species collected in the semen collection centres and dispatched from a semen storage centre, whether or not the latter constitute part of a semen collection centre approved under a different approval number. As a result, the model animal health certificate in Part 3 of Annex II to Decision 2004/639/EC should be adapted accordingly by this Decision.

(9) It is also necessary to adapt by this Decision the dates in the titles of model health certificates in Part 2 and Part 3 of Annex II to Decision 2004/639/EC related to the stocks of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species collected, processed and stored before 31 December 2004 to reflect the provisions of Article 2(1) of Directive 2003/43/EC.

(10) There are bilateral agreements concluded between the Union and certain third countries containing specific conditions for the imports into the Union of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species. Therefore, where the bilateral agreements contain specific conditions and model animal health certificates for imports, those conditions and models should apply instead of the conditions and models set out in this Decision.

(11) On the basis of Directive 88/407/EEC, Canada was recognised as a third country with an animal health status equivalent to that of Member States for imports into the Union of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species.

(12) It is therefore appropriate that semen of domestic animals of the bovine species collected in Canada and imported into the Union from that third country is accompanied by a simplified certificate drawn up in accordance with the model set out in Commission Decision 2005/290/EC of 4 April 2005 on simplified certificates for the importation of bovine semen and fresh pig meat from Canada and amending Decision 2004/639/EC ([1]) laid down in accordance with the Agreement between the European Community and the Government of Canada on sanitary measures to protect public and animal health in respect of trade in live animals and animal products ([2]), as approved by Council Decision 1999/201/EC ([3]).

([1]) OJ L 93, 12.4.2005, p. 34.
([2]) OJ L 71, 18.3.1999, p. 3.
([3]) OJ L 71, 18.3.1999, p. 1.

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(13) Switzerland is a third country with an animal health status equivalent to that of Member States. It is therefore appropriate that semen of domestic animals of the bovine species imported into the Union from Switzerland is accompanied by an animal health certificate drawn up in accordance with the models used for trade within the Union in semen of domestic animals of the bovine species set out in Annex D to Directive 88/407/EEC, with the adaptations set out in point 4 of Chapter VII(B) of Appendix 2 of Annex 11 to the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on Trade in Agricultural Products, as approved by Decision 2002/309/EC, Euratom of the Council, and of the Commission as regards the Agreement on Scientific and Technological Cooperation, of 4 April 2002 on the conclusion of seven Agreements with the Swiss Confederation ([1]).

(14) In the interest of clarity and consistency of Union legislation, Decision 2004/639/EC should be repealed and replaced by this Decision.

(15) To avoid any disruption of trade, the use of animal health certificates issued in accordance with Decision 2004/639/EC should be authorised during a transitional period subject to certain conditions.

(16) 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

Subject matter

This Decision lays down a list of third countries or parts thereof from which Members States shall authorise imports into the Union of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species (semen).

It also lays down certification requirements for the imports of semen into the Union.

Article 2

Imports of semen

1. Member States shall authorise imports of semen provided that it complies with the following conditions:

(a) it comes from a third country or part thereof listed in Annex I;

(b) it comes from a semen collection or storage centre listed in accordance with Article 9(2) of Directive 88/407/EEC;

([1]) OJ L 114, 30.4.2002, p. 1.

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(c) it is accompanied by an animal health certificate drawn up in accordance with the following model animal health certificates set out in Part 1 of Annex II, and completed in accordance with the explanatory notes set out in Part 2 of that Annex:

(i) Model 1 as set out in Section A, for semen collected, processed and stored in accordance with Directive 88/407/EEC, as amended by Directive 2003/43/EC, dispatched from a semen collection centre where the semen was collected;

(ii) Model 2 as set out in Section B, for stocks of semen collected, processed and stored before 31 December 2004 in conformity with the provisions of Directive 88/407/EEC applying until 1 July 2004, and imported after 31 December 2004 in accordance with Article 2(2) of Directive 2003/43/EC, dispatched from a semen collection centre where the semen was collected;

(iii) Model 3 as set out in Section C, for semen and stocks of semen referred to in (i) and (ii), dispatched from a semen storage centre;

(d) it complies with the requirements set out in the animal health certificates referred to in point (c).

2. Where specific animal health and certification conditions are laid down in bilateral agreements between the Union and third countries, those conditions shall apply instead of the conditions in paragraph 1.

Article 3

Conditions concerning the transport of semen to the Union

1. The semen and stocks of semen referred to in Article 2 shall not be transported in the same container as other consignments of semen that:

(a) are not intended for introduction into the Union; or

(b) are of a lower health status.

2. During transport to the Union, semen and stocks of semen shall be placed in closed and sealed containers and the seal shall not be broken during transport.

Article 4

Repeal

Decision 2004/639/EC is repealed.

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Article 5

Transitional provision

For a transitional period until 30 April 2012, Member States shall authorise imports of semen and stocks of semen from third countries which are accompanied by an animal health certificate issued not later than 31 March 2012 in accordance with the models set out in Annex II to Decision 2004/639/EC.

Article 6

Applicability

This Decision shall apply from 1 November 2011.

Article 7

Addressees

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

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ANNEX I

List of third countries or parts thereof from which Member States shall authorise imports of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species

ISO Code	Name of the third country	Remarks	
		Description of the territory (if appropriate)	Additional guarantees
AU	Australia		The additional guarantee concerning testing set out in point II.5.4.1 of the certificate in Section A of Part 1 of Annex II is compulsory.
CA	Canada ([1])		
CH	Switzerland ([2])		
CL	Chile		
GL	Greenland		
HR	Croatia		
IS	Iceland		
NZ	New Zealand		
PM	Saint Pierre and Miquelon		
US	United States		The additional guarantee set out in point II.5.4.1 of the certificate in Section A of Part 1 of Annex II is compulsory.

([1]) The certificate to be used for imports from Canada is set out in Commission Decision 2005/290/EC of 4 April 2005 on simplified certificates for the importation of bovine semen and fresh pig meat from Canada and amending Decision 2004/639/EC (only for the semen collected in Canada) laid down in accordance with the Agreement between the European Community and the Government of Canada on sanitary measures to protect public and animal health in respect of trade in live animals and animal products, as approved by Council Decision 1999/201/EC.

([2]) The certificates to be used for imports from Switzerland are set out in Annex D to Directive 88/407/EEC, with the adaptations set out in point 4 of Chapter VII(B) of Appendix 2 of Annex 11 to the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products as approved by Decision 2002/309/EC, Euratom of the Council, and of the Commission as regards the Agreement on Scientific and Technological Cooperation of 4 April 2002 on the conclusion of seven Agreements with the Swiss Confederation.

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ANNEX II

PART 1

Model animal health certificates for imports and transits of semen and of stocks of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species

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SECTION A

Model 1 — Animal health certificate applicable to imports and transits of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species collected, processed and stored in accordance with Council Directive 88/407/EEC, as amended by Directive 2003/43/EC, dispatched from a semen collection centre where the semen was collected

COUNTRY **Veterinary certificate to EU**

Part I : Details of dispatched consignment

I.1. Consignor Name Address Tel.	I.2. Certificate reference No	I.2.a.
	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 Approval number Address Name Approval number Address Name Approval number Address	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 ☐ Ship ☐ Railway wagon ☐ Road vehicle ☐ Other ☐ Identification Documentary references	I.16. Entry BIP in EU I.17.	
I.18. Description of commodity	I.19. Commodity code (HS code) **05 11 10**	I.20. Quantity
I.21.		I.22. Number of packages
I.23. Seal/Container No		I.24.
I.25. Commodities certified for: Artificial reproduction ☐		
I.26. For transit through EU to third country ☐ Third country ISO code	I.27. For import or admission into EU ☐	

I.28. Identification of the commodities

Species (Scientific name)	Breed	Donor identity	Date of collection	Approval number of the centre	Quantity

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COUNTRY **Bovine semen — Section A**

II. Health information	II.a. Certificate reference No	II.b.

Part II: Certification

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify that :

II.1. ..... *(name of exporting country)* (2)

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 to the Union and no vaccination against these diseases has taken place during the same period.

II.2. The centre (3) described in Box. I.11. at which the semen to be exported was collected:

II.2.1. meets the conditions laid down in Chapter I(1) of Annex A to Directive 88/407/EEC;

II.2.2. is operated and supervised in accordance with the conditions laid down in Chapter II(1) of Annex A to Directive 88/407/EEC.

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 to the Union).

II.4. The bovine animals standing at the semen collection centre:

II.4.1. come from herds which satisfy the conditions of paragraph 1(b) of Chapter I of Annex B to Directive 88/407/EEC;

II.4.2. come from herds or were born to dams which comply with the conditions of Chapter I.1(c) of Annex B to Directive 88/407/EEC, or were tested at the age of at least 24 months in accordance with Chapter II.1(c) of Annex B to that Directive;

II.4.3. 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;

II.4.4. 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;

II.4.5. have undergone, at least once a year, the routine tests referred to in Chapter II of Annex B to Directive 88/407/EEC.

II.5. The semen to be exported was obtained from donor bulls which:

II.5.1. satisfy the conditions laid down in Annex C of Directive 88/407/EEC;

(1) *either* [II.5.2. have remained in the exporting country for at least the last six months prior to collection of the semen to be exported;]

(1) *or* [II.5.2. have remained in the exporting country for at least 30 days prior to the collection of the semen since entry and they were imported from ..... (2) 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 European Union;]

(1) *either* [II.5.3. were kept in a bluetongue virus-free country or zone for at least 60 days prior to, and during, collection of the semen;]

(1) *or* [II.5.3. were kept during a bluetongue virus seasonally free period in a seasonally free zone for at least 60 days prior to, and during collection of the semen;]

(1) *or* [II.5.3. were kept in a vector-protected establishment for at least 60 days prior to, and during collection of the semen;]

(1) *or* [II.5.3. were subjected to a serological test to detect antibodies to the bluetongue virus group, carried out in accordance with the OIE Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals, with negative results, at least every 60 days throughout the collection period and between 21 and 60 days after the final collection for this consignment of semen;]

(1) *or* [II.5.3. were subjected to an agent identification test for bluetongue virus, carried out in accordance with the OIE Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals with negative results on blood samples taken at commencement and final collection for this consignment of semen and at least every 7 days (virus isolation test) or at least every 28 days (PCR test) during collection for this consignment of semen;]

II.5.4. were resident in the exporting country,

(1) *either* [II.5.4.1. which according to official findings is free from epizootic haemorrhagic disease (EHD);]

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COUNTRY **Bovine semen — Section A**

II. Health information	II.a. Certificate reference No	II.b.

(1) (5) or [II.5.4.1. in which according to official findings the following serotypes of epizootic haemorrhagic disease (EHD) exist: ..... and were subjected with negative results in each case to:

(1) either [on two occasions not more than 12 months apart a serological test (4) carried out in an approved laboratory on samples of blood taken prior to and not less than 21 days following collection for this consignment of semen;]]

(1) or [a serological test (4) for the detection of antibody to the EHDV group, carried out on samples taken at intervals of not more than 60 days throughout the collection period and between 21 and 60 days after the final collection for this consignment of semen.]]

(1) or [an agent identification test (4) carried out in approved laboratories on blood samples collected at commencement and conclusion of, and at least every 7 days (virus isolation test) or at least every 28 days (PCR test) during collection for this consignment of semen.]]

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;

II.7. The semen to be exported was processed, stored and transported under conditions which satisfy the terms of Directive 88/407/EEC.

Notes

Part I:

Box 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.

Box I.11: *Place of origin* shall correspond to the semen collection centre listed in accordance with Article 9(2) of Directive 88/407/EEC on the Commission website:
http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/semen_ova/bovine/index_en.htm and where the semen was collected.

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

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

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

Box I.27: fill in according to whether it is a transit or an import certificate.

Box I.28: *Species*: select amongst "*Bos taurus*", "*Bison bison*" or "*Bubalus bubalis*" as appropriate.
Donor identity shall correspond to the official identification of the animal.
Date of collection shall be indicated in the following format: dd/mm/yyyy.
Approval number of the centre shall correspond to the approval number of the semen collection centre indicated in Box I.11 where the semen was collected.

Part II:

(1) Delete as necessary.

(2) Only third countries listed in Annex I to Implementing Decision 2011/630/EU.

(3) Only semen collection centres listed in accordance with Article 9(2) of Directive 88/407/EEC on the Commission website:
http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/semen_ova/bovine/index_en.htm

(4) Standards for EHD virus diagnostic tests are described in the Bluetongue Chapter of the Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals.

(5) Compulsory for Australia, Canada and the United States.

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

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COUNTRY **Bovine semen — Section A**

II. Health information	II.a. Certificate reference No	II.b.
Official veterinarian Name (in capital letters): Qualification and title: Date: Signature: Stamp:		

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SECTION B

Model 2 — Animal health certificate applicable from 1 January 2005 to imports and transits of stocks of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species collected, processed and stored before 31 December 2004 in conformity with Council Directive 88/407/EEC applying until 1 July 2004, and imported after 31 December 2004 in accordance with Article 2(2) of Directive 2003/43/EC, dispatched from a semen collection centre where the semen was collected

COUNTRY: **Veterinary certificate to EU**

Part I: Details of dispatched consignment

I.1. Consignor
Name
Address
Tel.

I.2. Certificate reference No | I.2.a.

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 | Approval number
Address
Name | Approval number
Address
Name | Approval number
Address

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 ☐ Ship ☐ Railway wagon ☐
Road vehicle ☐ Other ☐
Identification
Documentary references

I.16. Entry BIP in EU

I.17.

I.18. Description of commodity

I.19. Commodity code (HS code)
05 11 10

I.20. Quantity

I.21.

I.22. Number of packages

I.23. Seal/Container No

I.24.

I.25. Commodities certified for:
Artificial reproduction ☐

I.26. For transit through EU to third country ☐
Third country | ISO code

I.27. For import or admission into EU ☐

I.28. Identification of the commodities

Species (Scientific name)	Breed	Donor identity	Date of collection	Approval number of the centre	Quantity

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COUNTRY **Bovine semen — Section B**

Part II: Certification

II.	Health information	II.a. Certificate reference No	II.b.

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify that:

II.1. .....

(name of exporting country) (2)

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.

II.2. The semen described above was collected before 31 December 2004 at the semen collection centre which:

II.2.1. meets the conditions laid down in Chapter I of Annex A to Directive 88/407/EEC;

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.

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.

II.4. At the time semen described above was collected, all bovine animals standing at the semen collection centre:

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;

II.4.2. had tested negative, within the 30 days preceding the quarantine isolation period, to:

— the tests referred to in points 1(d)(i), (ii) and (iii) of Chapter I of Annex B to Directive 88/407/EEC, and

— a serum neutralisation test or an ELISA test for infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/infectious pustular vulvo-vaginitis, and

— a virus isolation test (fluorescent antibody test or immunoperoxidase test) for bovine viral diarrhoea, deferred until the animal reached the age of 6 months in the case of younger animals;

II.4.3. had undergone the 30-day quarantine isolation period and had tested negative to the following health tests:

— a serological test for brucellosis carried out in accordance with the procedure described in Annex C to Directive 64/432/EEC,

— either an immunofluorescent antibody test or a culture test for *Campylobacter fetus* infection on a sample of preputial material or artificial vagina washings, or, in the case of a female animal, a vaginal mucus agglutination test,

— a microscopic examination and culture test for *Trichomonas foetus* on a sample of preputial material or artificial vagina washings, or in the case of a female animal a vaginal mucus agglutination test;

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.

II.5. At the time the semen described above was collected,

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 *Campylobacter fetus* infection, and

II.5.2. all bulls used for semen production had tested negative either to an immunofluorescent antibody test or to a culture test for *Campylobacter fetus* infection on a sample of preputial material or artificial vagina washings carried out in 12 months prior to collection.

II.6. The semen to be exported was obtained from donor bulls which

II.6.1. satisfy the conditions laid down in Annex C to Directive 88/407/EEC;

(1) either [II.6.2. were resident in the exporting country during the 6 months immediately prior to collection of the semen for export;]

(1) or [II.6.2. were imported from ..... (2) after spending less than 6 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 European Union;]

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

(1) 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;]

(1) 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 6 months since the first vaccination;]

(1) either [II.6.4. have not been vaccinated against infectious bovine rhinotracheitis,]

(1) or [II.6.4. 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 immunodiffusion test (3) 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 6-monthly intervals, to an agar gel immunodiffusion test (3) 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 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.

Box I.11: place of origin shall correspond to the semen collection centre where the semen was collected.

Box I.12: place of destination: this box is to be filled in only if it is a certificate for transit commodity.

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

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

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

Box I.27: fill in according to whether it is a transit or an import certificate.

Box I.28: *donor identity* shall correspond to the official identification of the animal;

date of collection shall be prior to 31 December 2004 and indicated in the following format: dd/mm/yyyy;

approval number of the centre shall correspond to the approval number of the approved semen collection centre where the semen was collected.

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COUNTRY **Bovine semen — Section B**

Part II:

(1) Delete as necessary.

(2) Only third countries listed in Annex I to Commission Decision 2011/630/EU

(3) Standards for EHD virus diagnostic tests are described in the bluetongue chapter of the Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals.

**** To be used only by Australia, Canada and the USA.

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** To be used only by Canada.

* To be used only by Australia.

Official veterinarian (*)

Name (in capital letters): Qualification and title:

Date: Signature:

Stamp:

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

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SECTION C

Model 3 — Animal health certificate for imports and transits of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species collected, processed and stored in accordance with Council Directive 88/407/EEC, as amended by Directive 2003/43/EC, and of stocks of semen of domestic animals of the bovine species collected, processed and stored before 31 December 2004 in conformity with Directive 88/407/EEC, applying until 1 July 2004, and imported after 31 December 2004 in accordance with Article 2(2) of Directive 2003/43/EC, dispatched from a semen storage centre

COUNTRY: **Veterinary certificate to EU**

Part I: Details of dispatched consignment

I.1. Consignor
Name
Address
Tel.

I.2. Certificate reference No | I.2.a.

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 | Approval number
Address
Name | Approval number
Address
Name | Approval number
Address

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 ☐ Ship ☐ Railway wagon ☐
Road vehicle ☐ Other ☐
Identification
Documentary references

I.16. Entry BIP in EU

I.17. No(s) of related original certificates

I.18. Description of commodity

I.19. Commodity code (HS code)
05 11 10

I.20. Quantity

I.21.

I.22. Number of packages

I.23. Seal/Container No

I.24.

I.25. Commodities certified for:
Artificial reproduction ☐

I.26. For transit through EU to third country ☐
Third country | ISO code

I.27. For import or admission into EU ☐

I.28. Identification of the commodities

Species (Scientific name)	Breed	Donor identity	Date of collection	Approval number of the centre	Quantity

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COUNTRY **Bovine semen — Section C**

Parte II: Certificación

II. Health information	II.a. Certificate reference No	II.b.

I, the undersigned official veterinarian of ..... hereby certify that:
(name of exporting country) (2)

II.1. The centre (3) described in Box I.11 at which the semen to be exported to the European Union was stored:

II.1.1. meets the conditions laid down in Chapter I(2) of Annex A to Directive 88/407/EEC;

II.1.2. is operated and supervised in accordance with the conditions laid down in Chapter II(2) of Annex A to Directive 88/407/EEC.

II.2. The semen to be exported to the European Union:

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 (4) operated and supervised in accordance with Chapter I(1) and Chapter II(1) of Annex A to Directive 88/407/EEC, and

(1) either [located in the exporting country;]

(1) and/or [located in ..... (2), and has been imported to the exporting country under conditions at least as strict as for imports of semen of bovine species into the Union in accordance with Directive 88/407/EEC,]

II.2.2. was moved to the centre described in Box I.11 under conditions at least as strict as described in:

(1) either [Model 1 in Section A of Part 1 of Annex II to Commission Decision 2011/630/EU (5);]

(1) and/or [Model 2 in Section B of Part 1 of Annex II to Commission Decision 2011/630/EU (5);]

(1) and/or [Part 1 of Annex II to Decision 2004/639/EC (5);]

(1) and/or [Part 2 of Annex II to Decision 2004/639/EC (5);]

(1) and/or [Part 3 of Annex II to Decision 2004/639/EC (5);]

II.2.3. was stored under conditions which satisfy the terms of Directive 88/407/EEC;

II.2.4. 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 Box I.23.

Notes

Part I:

Box 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.

Box I.11: place of origin shall correspond to the semen storage centre of dispatch of the semen.

Box I.12: place of destination: this box is to be filled in only if it is a certificate for transit commodity.

Box I.17: Number(s) of related original certificate(s) shall 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 centre described in Box I.11. The original(s) of those document(s) or those certificate(s) or the officially endorsed copies thereof must be attached to this certificate.

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

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

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

Box I.27: fill in according to whether it is a transit or an import certificate.

Box I.28: *donor identity* shall correspond to the official identification of the animal;

date of collection shall be indicated in the following format: dd/mm/yyyy;

approval number of the centre shall correspond to the approval number of the semen collection centre where the semen was collected.

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COUNTRY **Bovine semen — Section C**

Part II:

(1) Delete as necessary.

(2) Only third countries listed in Annex I to Decision 2011/630/EU.

(3) Only semen storage centres listed in accordance with Article 9(2) of Directive 88/407/EEC on the Commission website:

http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/semen_ova/bovine/index_en.htm

(4) Only semen collection centres listed in accordance with Articles 5(2) and 9(2) of Directive 88/407/EEC on the Commission websites:

http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/approved_establishments/establishments_vet_field_en.htm;

http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/semen_ova/bovine/index_en.htm

(5) Only third countries listed in Annex I to Decision 2011/630/EU and the EU Member States.

(6) The original(s) of the document(s) or the health certificate(s) or the officially endorsed copies of thereof that accompanied the semen described above from the approved semen collection centre in which the semen was collected to the approved semen storage centre of the semen dispatch described in Box I.11 must be attached to this certificate.

Official veterinarian (*)

Name (in capital letters): Qualification and title:

Date: Signature:

Stamp:

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

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PART 2

Explanatory notes for the certification

(a) The animal health certificates shall be issued by the competent authority of the exporting third country, in accordance with the model set out in Part 1 of Annex II.

If the Member State of destination requires additional certification requirements, attestations to certify that those requirements are fulfilled shall be also incorporated in the original form of the animal health certificate.

(b) The original of the animal health certificate shall consist of a single sheet of paper, or, where more text is required, it must be in such a form that all sheets of paper required are part of an integrated whole and indivisible.

(c) Where the model animal health certificate states that certain statements shall be kept as appropriate, statements which are not relevant, may be crossed out and initialled and stamped by the certifying officer, or completely deleted from certificate.

(d) The animal health certificate shall be drawn up in at least one of the official languages of the Member State of the border inspection post of introduction of the consignment into the European Union and of the Member State of destination. However, those Member States may authorise the certificate to be drawn up in the official language of another Member State, and accompanied, if necessary, by an official translation.

(e) If for the reasons of identification of the items of the consignment (schedule in Box I.28 of the model animal health certificates), additional sheets of paper are attached to the animal health certificate, those sheets of paper shall also be considered as forming part of the original of the animal health certificate by application of the signature and stamp of the certifying officer, on each of the pages.

(f) When the animal health certificate, including additional schedules referred to in (e), comprises more than one page, each page shall be numbered (page number) of (total number of pages), at the end of the page and shall bear the certificate reference number designated by the competent authority on the top of the pages.

(g) The original of the animal health certificate must be completed and signed by an official veterinarian the last working day prior to loading of the consignment for exportation to the European Union. The competent authorities of the exporting third country shall ensure that certification requirements equivalent to those laid down in Council Directive 96/93/EC [1] are followed.

The colour of the signature and the stamp of the official veterinarian shall be different to that of the printing on the animal health certificate. This requirement also applies to stamps other than those embossed or watermarks.

(h) The original of the animal health certificate must accompany the consignment until it reaches the border inspection post of introduction into the European Union.

(i) The certificate reference number referred to in Box I.2 and Box II.a of the model animal health certificate must be issued by the competent authority of the exporting third country.

[1] OJ L 13, 16.1.1997, p. 28.