## Veterinary certificate for dog semen (*Canis familiaris*) from Australia (includes Norfolk Island)

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| **Country: AUSTRALIA** |
| Certificate reference number:  *(Department to provide)* | Import permit number *(if applicable)*: |
| Importer name:Address:E-mail:Phone: | Exporter name:Address:E-mail:Phone: |
| Country of destination: **New Zealand** | Country of origin:  |
| Transport Container:* New/disinfected *(delete as appropriate)*
* Disinfectant used:
* Active chemical:
* Date of disinfection:
 | Container seal number: *(Department to provide)* |
| Identification of semen:

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| Microchip Number of Donor | Breed | Date of collection | Number (Units\*) |
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 \* Units: pellets, ampoules, straws or doses |

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| **Country: Australia** | Certificate reference number: *(Department to provide)* |
| I,……………………………….., ~~an official government veterinarian or~~ a veterinarian authorised to provide export certification on behalf of the government veterinary service of Australia, certify the following:1. The donor’s microchip number was scanned at each test, treatment, examination, and collection of semen for export as ………………………………………………………. and is recorded on all treatment records, laboratory results, and certification.
2. After due enquiry and inspection I am satisfied that the donor:
	1. Has resided continuously in ………………………….(name of approved country(s)) for the entire semen collection and testing period; and was not under any quarantine restriction at the time of collection
	2. Does not belong wholly or predominantly to any of the following dog breeds or types:

**Breeds** **Type**Brazilian Fila American Pit Bull TerrierDogo ArgentinoJapanese TosaPerro de Presa Canario* 1. Is not a hybrid (offspring of dog crossed with another species)

**General Requirements** 1. The semen has been collected in Australia.
2. All semen in this consignment is frozen.
3. Laboratory sampleswere collected, processed, and stored in accordance with the recommendations in the *Code*, the *Manual*, and/or approved by MPI.
4. The laboratory(s) that conducted the pre-export testing is recognised by the competent authority of a country approved to export dog semen to New Zealand.
5. The semen was collected by, or under the supervision of, a registered or licensed veterinarian.
6. A veterinarian ensured that the donor was healthy and free from clinical evidence of infectious diseases transmissible in semen on the day(s) of semen collection, and at least 15 days after the final collection.
7. The semen collection period did not exceed 30 days.
8. Semen extender components were prepared under aseptic conditions.
9. Equipment used for collection, processing and storage of semen was new or sanitised and free from contamination.
10. The cryogenic agent used in the freezing process, storage, and transport was not used previously in association with any other product of animal origin.
11. The use of dry ice and associated equipment to manufacture pellets was managed to prevent contamination with semen of donors not of equivalent tested health status.
12. All straws and semen containers have been sealed and clearly and permanently marked with the donor’s microchip number and the date of collection.
13. The semen was only stored with germplasm that is eligible for export to New Zealand.
14. The semen storage containers were stored under registered or licensed veterinary supervision until export to New Zealand.
15. Transport containers were either new or disinfected and free from contamination. If the transport container was not new, the disinfectant, its active chemical, and date of disinfection are recorded on this veterinary certificate.
16. Semen was transferred from one transport container to another for further processing (*delete if semen was not transferred*).

Transfer date, facility, and reason: …………………………………………………………………………………………………….**For semen collected outside of Australia *(deleted if not applicable)***1. The semen in this consignment originates from a different country than Australia (*delete as appropriate*). The country of origin is currently approved to export to New Zealand and the semen is accompanied by:
	1. a declaration from the competent authority of the third country linking the semen from the country of origin to the semen being exported to New Zealand and confirming that the semen has been stored at a facility under registered or licensed veterinary supervision; and either
		1. the veterinary certificate, certified by the country of origin to export to New Zealand requirements; or
		2. a letter from the country of origin’s Competent Authority indicating that the semen meets New Zealand’s current import requirements.
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| Printed name:Signature:Date: | Address:E-mail:Phone: |

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| **Official Veterinary Declaration:** *(Departmental government veterinarian to complete)*1. In the 12 months prior to the date of export:
2. Australia has been free of classical rabies virus; and
3. No case of *Brucella canis* infection has been reported in Australia; and
4. No case of *Leptospira interrogans* serovar *canicola* has been reported in dogs in Australia.
5. The veterinarian whose signature appears above is a registered veterinary practitioner in Australia.
6. The transport container in which the semen will be transported to New Zealand has been officially sealed with a tamper evident seal issued by the Australian Government. The seal number(s) is …………………………..
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| **Official Veterinarian:**Printed name:Signature:Date: | Address:E-mail:Phone:Official Veterinarian signature, Official stamp and date |

**Important guidance notes:**

* + - 1. A microchip must be implanted in the donor.
			2. The microchip number of the donor animal must be recorded on all the records, laboratory reports, certification and semen containers.
			3. All documents must be endorsed on every page by the Official Veterinarian with their original stamp, signature and date on every page.
			4. If the clauses in the certificate have been crossed out by hand, they must be initialled by the signing veterinarian.

For more information, please refer to the “Import Health Standard: Semen from Dogs (*Canis familiaris*) 22 October 2015.”