

# **Overseas Market Access Requirements Notification - Animal Products Act 1999**

## **Regulation and Assurance Branch, Animal and Animal Products Directorate, Ministry for Primary Industries**

Ref: AE-FK-24  
Date: 5 October 2017

### **OVISEM.FK 25 October 2017– Ovine semen to the Falkland Islands (Malvinas)**

#### **1. Statutory authority**

Pursuant to section 60, section 60A, section 62(1) and section 167 of the Animal Products Act 1999 I notify the following:

(i) the issue under section 60 of the Overseas Market Access Requirements for ovine semen to the Falkland Islands (Malvinas), OVISEM.FK dated 25 October 2017;

(ii) the revocation and replacement of ovine semen to the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) OVISEM.FK dated 1 December 2016;

(iii) the determination under section 62(1) of the format and content of the official assurance for ovine semen to the Falkland Islands (Malvinas).

This notice takes effect from the 25 October 2017.

Dated at Wellington this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October 2017.

Signed: Howard Pharo  
Manager Import and Export Animals  
Animal and Animal Products Directorate  
Regulation and Assurance Branch  
(acting under delegated authority)

#### **2. Falkland Islands requirements**

Ovine semen exported from New Zealand to the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) must be accompanied by an official assurance in the form of a completed zoosanitary certificate.

The zoosanitary certificate as specified below must be completed and certified, after due enquiry, by an Official Veterinarian of the Ministry for Primary Industries.

##### **Explanatory note:**

If the zoosanitary certificate is not certified then the ovine semen does not satisfy the conditions in the notice. Likewise, if the ovine semen does not satisfy the zoosanitary requirements in the certificate, then the certificate will not be certified.





Certificate No: .....

## NEW ZEALAND MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

### ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATE

Commodity: OVINE SEMEN  
To: THE FALKLAND ISLANDS (Malvinas)  
Exporting Country: NEW ZEALAND  
Competent Authority: MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES  
Import Permit Number: .....

#### I: INFORMATION CONCERNING THE DONOR ANIMAL(S) AND SEMEN

Name	Breed	Herd Book / Registration No./ Individual ID	Date of Collection / Batch No.	Straw Identification	No. of Straws

Total number of straws in the consignment: .....

#### II: ORIGIN OF THE SEMEN

Name and address of exporter: .....

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Name, address and approval number of semen collection centre: .....

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#### III: DESTINATION OF THE SEMEN

Name and address of consignee: .....

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## IV: SANITARY INFORMATION

### VETERINARY CERTIFICATE

I, ....., an Official Veterinarian of the New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries hereby certify, after due enquiry with respect to the donor animal(s) and semen identified in this Zoosanitary Certificate, that:

#### 1 COUNTRY FREEDOM

- 1.1 New Zealand is free of rinderpest, Rift Valley Fever, peste des petits ruminants, contagious agalactia, bluetongue, enzootic abortion of ewes (chlamydiosis), scrapie, sheep and goat pox, maedi-visna and Q fever.
- 1.2 New Zealand is officially recognised free from foot and mouth disease (FMD) where vaccination is not practised by the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE).

#### 2 RESIDENCY STATUS OF DONOR ANIMAL(S)

- 2.1 The donor animal(s) has been continuously resident in New Zealand since birth, or since import from Australia.
- 2.2 The donor animal(s) has been continuously resident in pre-entry isolation or on the semen collection centre for at least thirty (30) days prior to collection and during this time has not been used for natural mating except with animals of equivalent health status.
- 2.3 During the seven (7) day period immediately prior to semen collection, and during the collection period, the donor animals were isolated from animals not of an equivalent health status.

#### 3 HEALTH STATUS

- 3.1 No clinical cases of paratuberculosis (Johne's disease) have been diagnosed on the premises of origin for the two (2) years prior to entry into the semen collection centre.
- 3.2 For bovine tuberculosis:
  - 3.2.1 The donor animal(s) have not been on premises with cattle or deer herds classified as infected under the National Pest Management Strategy for bovine tuberculosis for the three (3) years prior to collection.
  - 3.2.2 No clinical case of bovine tuberculosis has been diagnosed in sheep or goats on the premises of origin during the three (3) years prior to collection.
- 3.3 The donor animal(s)
  - Either [3.3.1 originated from a flock accredited free of *Brucella ovis* infection]\*
  - Or [3.3.2 was tested, with negative results, for *Brucella ovis* infection within thirty (30) days prior to entry into the semen collection centre, using a CFT or an ELISA, and during that time was kept isolated from other animals not of equivalent health status.

Date of sampling:.....

Test used: .....]\*

*\*Delete as applicable*

- 3.4 At the time of collection, the donor animal(s) was healthy and free of clinical evidence of infectious diseases that are transmissible by semen.
- 3.5 The testing was undertaken at a laboratory approved by the New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries.

#### 4 SEMEN COLLECTION, PROCESSING AND STORAGE

- 4.1 The semen was collected in a semen collection and processing centre that is approved by the Ministry for Primary Industries.
- 4.2 The semen was collected, processed and stored under the supervision of the semen collection centre Approved Veterinarian.
- 4.3 The semen was collected, processed, identified and stored in accordance with the recommendations set out in the *OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code* covering the collection and processing of small ruminant semen.
- 4.4 Antibiotics were added to the semen diluent effective against *Leptospira.spp* and *Mycoplasma spp.* in accordance with the *OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code*. The names and concentrations of all antibiotics added are as follows:
- .....
- .....
- .....
- .....
- 4.5 After collection and until dispatch, the semen was held in containers, with new (unused) liquid nitrogen, in which no biological material other than semen of equivalent health status as specified in this Veterinary Certificate was held.
- 4.6 [In the case where the semen was removed from container(s) for further processing or aggregation with other reproductive material at an approved centre or laboratory;
- Date of transfer:.....
- Reason for transfer:.....
- Name of approved centre or laboratory:.....
- Approved veterinarian/s:.....
- Container serial number/s:.....]\*

*\* Delete if not applicable*

#### 5 TRANSPORT

- 5.1 The semen for export was identified and placed in a transport container(s) or shipper(s) which is:
- Either [5.1.1 new]\*

Or [5.1.2 prior to loading, the shipper was emptied and inspected and any loose straws removed. The shipper, including all surfaces contacting the straws, was disinfected;  
Name and active ingredient of disinfectant:.....  
Date of disinfection:.....]\*

*\* Delete as applicable*

5.2 Prior to export the transportation container, containing new liquid nitrogen, was sealed by an Official Veterinarian using a seal bearing the marks:.....

.....  
Signature Official Veterinarian Official Stamp and Date  
New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries

.....  
Name and Address

**Note. The Official Veterinarian must sign and stamp each page of the veterinary certificate using a different colour ink to the paper and the print, and, where applicable, sign, date and stamp each page of the documents (e.g. laboratory reports) that form part of the extended health certification**

## **EXPORT CERTIFICATION**

**(This is not part of the official certification)**

**COMMODITY:** OVINE SEMEN

**COUNTRY:** THE FALKLAND ISLANDS (Malvinas)

**NOTES:** This export certificate was based on the requirements *Import Health Standard Ovine Semen to the Falkland Islands from New Zealand*, dated 15<sup>th</sup> December 2014. It was approved by The Department of Agriculture on 20 November 2016 and updated 25 October 2017 to provide clarification to clause 2.2 and 3.3.2.

1. A copy of a valid Import Permit, obtained from The Department of Agriculture, must accompany the semen shipment to the Falkland Islands.
2. Clause 5.1.2: The Department of Agriculture accepts the following disinfectants: 2% available chlorine; 2% Virkon; or irradiation at 50kGy.

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**Section 61A of the Animal Products Act 1999 states that 'The Crown is not liable, and nor is the Director-General or any employee of the Ministry liable, for any loss arising through the refusal or failure of the relevant authority of an overseas market to admit export animal material or animal product to that market.'**