

מדינת ישראל

STATE OF ISRAEL
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT
VETERINARY SERVICES AND ANIMAL HEALTH

Model Veterinary Certificate for the Importation into Israel
of Bovine Semen from the United States

I. Identification

Name of bull	Registration No.	No. of portions	Date of collection

Identification of container _____

II. Name and address of A.I.C. _____

Name and address of exporter _____

III. Name and address of consignee _____

Means of transport (flight No.) _____

IV. I, _____, the undersigned, a veterinarian accredited by the USDA hereby certify:

A. That the State of origin has been free for at least 6 months from foot-and-mouth disease (FMD), rinderpest, and contagious bovine pleuropneumonia prior to the dates of collection and of exportation of the said semen.

B. That the frozen bovine semen specified in the item D below was derived from an Artificial Insemination Center (A.I.C.):

1. Which is under constant veterinary supervision of an official or accredited veterinarian;
2. Which is an independent institution; it is not annexed nor a part of any premises holding any female bovines;
3. Which is situated in an area of 50 km (31 miles) in radius where no case of epizootic haemorrhagic disease of deer (EHD), vesicular stomatitis or bluetongue (BT) was diagnosed within 5 months prior to the collection of semen for export;
4. Which is situated in one of the 18 northeastern states which are considered to have low BT incidence.
5. Which complies with the requirements of a tuberculosis-free herd; all animals in it, which are over 6 weeks of age, reacted negatively to at least two tests to mammalian tuberculin, carried out by an official authority, at an interval of at least 6 months. The last tuberculin test was performed not later than 1 year ago. No animal was introduced into the A.I.C. unless accompanied by an official veterinary certificate, specifying the negative intradermal tuberculin test and that the herd from which the animal originated was officially declared as tuberculosis free;
6. Which complies with the official requirements of a brucellosis-free herd. All bulls present in the A.I.C. center were tested, within 6 months of the semen collection and were negative to the official agglutination test. All donor bulls had titers less than 30 international units (IU's). the bulls were not vaccinated against brucellosis;
7. Which has been free of clinical disease due to paratuberculosis for the 3 years preceding the date of semen collection.

8. Which has been free of *Trichomonas fetus* and *Campylobacter fetus*, based upon tests for qualification of entry of each bull into the A.I.C. and later, at a 6-month interval, to routine tests.
- C. That the frozen bovine semen specified in item D below was derived from bulls:
1. which have never been used for natural service;
 2. Which have passed at least one negative serological test for bovine leucosis not less than 1 month, and not more than 6 months, after the date of collection of the semen;
 3. Which have passed, not less than 1 month and not more than 6 months after the date of the collection of the semen, a negative serological test for leptospirosis (*L. pomona*, *L. grippityphosa*, *L. sejroe*, and *L. hardjo* at 1:100 dilution);
 4. Which are free from BVD virus.
 5. Which have been tested serologically (ELISA or C.F.*) for paratuberculosis not less than 1 month, and not more than 6 months, after the date of collection of the semen, with negative results;
 6. Which are known to be free of congenital abnormalities, on the basis of lack of reports from farms on abnormalities in the bull's offspring;
 7. Which are free of infertility (specifying the 60-90 day nonreturn rate for each of the last 6 months prior to collection of the semen).
- D. The semen to be exported to Israel:
1. Was tested and found free of BT and EHD virus, an aliquot of semen from each ejaculate of semen for export was submitted to virus isolation tests (The protocols of testing procedures will be specified on the health certificate); or* that the semen was collected in and at least 60 days after the beginning of the non vector season or*, that the donor was tested serologically for BT and EHD within the 14 days before collection of the said semen and 21 days after collection”.
 2. Was tested and found free of IBR/IPV virus; at least one sample of at least 0.1 cc of each ejaculation intended for export was tested by a virus isolation method, with three passages in cell cultures;
 3. Contains 1 mg of streptomycin or 1 million IU's of penicillin in each 100 cc of diluent, or a similar antibiotic (Specify name and concentration);
 4. Was packed in separate portions so that separate ejaculations can be easily identified; or, was kept separately from any other semen between its collection and its shipment.

Date _____

Name of accredited veterinarian

Place _____

Signature _____

Official Seal

Name of endorsing USDA veterinarian

Signature of endorsing USDA veterinarian

Place

Date

* Delete as appropriate