

Overseas Market Access Requirements Notification - Animal Products Act 1999

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

Ref: AE-IR-24
Date: 1 March 2018

OVISEM.IR 6 March 2018 – Ovine semen to Iran

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 Iran, OVISEM.IR dated 6 March 2018;
- (ii) the determination under section 62(1) of the format and content of the official assurance for ovine semen to Iran.

This notice takes effect from the 6 March 2018.

Dated at Wellington this 1st day of March 2018.

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

2. Iran requirements

Ovine semen exported from New Zealand to Iran 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

Species: OVINE SEMEN

To: IRAN

Exporting Country: NEW ZEALAND

Competent Authority: MINISTRY OF 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 bluetongue, brucellosis (*B.melitensis* and *B. abortus*), contagious agalactia, contagious caprine pleuropneumonia, enzootic abortion of ewes, Maedi-Visna, peste des petits ruminants, rinderpest, sheep & goat pox, and scrapie.
- 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. THE SEMEN COLLECTION CENTRE

- 2.1 The semen collection centre was free of clinical evidence of communicable diseases transmissible in semen for at least thirty (30) days prior to and during the collection period.
- 2.2 The semen was collected in a semen collection and processing centre that is approved by the Ministry for Primary Industries to export and complies with the requirements of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code in its latest version.
- 2.3 The semen was collected, processed and stored under the supervision of the approved semen centre veterinarian.

3. HEALTH STATUS

- 3.1 The donor animal(s) were born in New Zealand or have been a resident in New Zealand for at least six (6) months prior to the collection of semen for export to Iran.
- 3.2 Prior to entering the semen collection and processing centre, the donor animal(s) were isolated for a period of at least thirty (30) days under the supervision of the approved semen collection and processing centre veterinarian.
- 3.3 For ovine epididymitis (*Brucella ovis*):

Either [3.3.1 the donor animal(s) originated from a flock accredited free of *Brucella ovis* infection]*

Or [3.3.2 the donor animal(s) was tested, with negative results, within thirty (30) days prior to entry onto 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 All donor animal(s) resident on the semen collection center are tested every six (6) months for ovine

epididymitis, using either a CFT or ELISA, with negative results.

3.5 For border disease:

Either [3.5.1 the donor animal(s) tested negative to a serum neutralization test (SNT), or an enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA), or virus isolation (VI), during the thirty (30) days prior to entry onto the semen collection centre, and every six (6) months while resident]*

Or [3.5.2 an aliquot of semen from each batch for export is tested, with negative results, using VI, or polymerase chain reaction (PCR)]*

Date of test:

**Delete as applicable*

3.6 The testing was undertaken at a laboratory approved by the New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries.

4. THE SEMEN

4.1 The semen was collected, processed, and stored in accordance with the OIE *Terrestrial Animal Health Code*, Collection and Processing of Semen / Small Ruminant Semen.

4.2 Antibiotics were added to the semen diluent in accordance with the OIE *Terrestrial Animal Health Code*. The names and concentrations of all antibiotics added are as follows:

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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:

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Signature Official Veterinarian
New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries

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Official Stamp and Date

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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)

SPECIES: OVINE SEMEN

COUNTRY: IRAN

NOTES: This certificate replaces the previous export certificate dated 27th July 2006, and has been updated to align with the OIE code. It was approved by the Ministry of Jihad-E-Agriculture, Veterinary Organization, the Islamic Republic of Iran on 1 March 2018.

Section 61.A of the Animal Products Amendments Act 2005 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'