

**OMARs with an uncertain status**

These OMARs have not been used for a significant period of time. Therefore the requirements may have changed without the Ministry for Primary Industries knowledge.

If an exporter can provide the current import conditions, and the requirements still match, the certificate and the OMARs will be moved back into the published list of export certificates and OMAR's.

# **Overseas Market Access Requirements Notification - Animal Products Act 1999 – MAF Biosecurity New Zealand**

Ref: AE-HR08L

Date: 24 August 2007

## **OMAR B CERSEMEC.CRO 24.08.07 – CERVINE SEMEN TO CROATIA**

### **1. Statutory authority**

Pursuant to section 60 of the Animal Products Act 1999, I notify the following overseas market access requirements, entitled cervine semen to Croatia.

This notice takes effect from date of signing.

Dated at Wellington this 27<sup>th</sup> day of August 2007.

Signed: Karen Sparrow  
Manager Exports  
Border Standards  
MAF Biosecurity New Zealand  
(pursuant to delegated authority)

### **2. Croatia Requirements**

Cervine semen exported from New Zealand to Croatia must comply with the import requirements of Croatia listed in this notice as follows:

2.1 An import permit is required for the exportation of cervine semen to Croatia.

2.2 An official veterinarian authorised by the New Zealand Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry must certify, after due enquiry, the following:

2.2.1 New Zealand is free from foot and mouth disease, rinderpest, contagious bovine pleuropneumonia, Akabane, bluetongue and brucellosis (*Brucella abortus* and *B. melitensis*).

2.2.2 The semen collection and processing premises are approved by MAF for the collection, processing and storage of cervine semen for export.

2.2.3 No natural mating occurred on the centre.

2.2.4 The centre is regularly inspected by a MAF official veterinarian.

2.2.5 The donor animals were either born and raised in New Zealand, or imported in which case they have been free of any import quarantine restrictions.

2.2.6 During the 12 months prior to the collection of semen for export, there has been no evidence of Johne's disease (*Mycobacterium avium* subsp. *paratuberculosis*), tuberculosis, leptospirosis, infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/ infectious pustular vulvovaginitis (IBR/IPV) found in the donor stags or other animals associated with the stags.

2.2.7 During the 30 days prior to collection, the donor animals have been tested with negative results for:

2.2.7.1 Johne's disease (*Mycobacterium avium* subsp. *paratuberculosis*) using the ELISA test.

2.2.8 During the 60 days after collection, the donor animals have been tested with negative results for:

2.2.8.1 Tuberculosis (*Mycobacterim bovis*) using the intra-dermal tuberculin test.

2.2.9 On the dates of semen collection, none of the animals on the semen collection centre showed any evidence of infectious or contagious disease.

2.2.10 Milk, yolk or any protein of animal origin used in the preparation of semen dilution was free from pathogenic agents or sterilized as per the OIE code.

2.2.11 The semen has been packaged in ampoules or straws which are permanently marked with the name, breed and individual identification number of the donor, and the date of collection.

2.2.12 A sample of the collected semen from each donor animal has been tested for infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/ infectious pustular vulvovaginitis (IBR/IPV) by virus isolation or PCR, with negative results.

2.2.13 The semen intended for export has been stored separately, in fresh liquid nitrogen, at least 28 days before being exported.

2.2.14 After processing, the ampoules/straws were segregated in a storage area, at an approved storage facility and were maintained under the centre veterinarian's supervision until such time as they were placed in the shipping tank and sealed with New Zealand Government seals bearing the marks which must be recorded on the export certificate.

### 3. Revocations

OMAR B CERSEMEC.CRO 06.08.07 – cervine semen to Croatia is revoked and replaced by this OMAR notification.

#### **4. Definitions**

For the purposes of this document:

Any term or expression that is defined in the Animal Products Act 1999 and used, but not defined in this document, has the same meaning as in this Act.

***Explanatory note***

*These overseas market access requirements are based on the current export certificate for cervine semen to Croatia dated 24 August 2007 which is based on the import requirements received from Croatia on 6 July 2007.*

**Additional Information on OMAR Notification: CERSEMEC.CRO  
24.08.07**

1. This OMAR replaces that dated 6 August 2007, the only change was for bovine tuberculosis testing within 60 days after semen collection rather than 30 days. Approval from Dr Sandra Gutic, Veterinary Directorate, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management, was received on the 24 August 2007.

**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'.**