Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

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Checklist - Intra-Union Trade in Ovine and Caprine Ova and Embryos

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This checklist should be completed after reading the relevant Intra-trade animal health certificate and Ovine / Caprine-Ova/Embryos NFG.

The ITAHC may be signed if the answer to all the following questions is Yes, as appropriate

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Name of the owner and address of the holding/collection centre to which the above checklist/support document refers:

Name and address of holding / approved semen collection / storage centre:

I hereby certify that I have made due enquiries and that the answers to the following questions are as follows (please tick):

**Part A of Annex III to Decision 2010/470/EU, as amended by 2014/802:**

*Part A of Annex IV to Decision 2010/470/EU: Ova/Embryos collected after 31 August 2010, or in the case of ARR heterozygote embryos, collected on or after 1 January 2015.*

| 1. | Do you have a duly completed owners declaration/veterinary support certificate (Ovine-Caprine-Semen-Embryos-SUP) for the donor animals? | Yes | No |
| 2. | Are you satisfied that owners declaration/veterinary support certificate (Ovine-Caprine-Semen-Embryos-SUP) relates to the donor(s) and as far as can be determined, is factually correct? | |
| 3. | Are you satisfied that the holding / embryo collection facility is/was not under any official restrictions due to confirmation of the following notifiable diseases in an animal on the holding / facility – at the time of collection of the embryos? | |
| | Classical Scrapie, contagious epidydimitis (rams only), Brucellosis (B melitensis), rabies and anthrax? | |
| 4. | Were the ova/embryos for export collected by a Collection Team approved by Defra under Schedule 2, Part 1, paragraph 5 of the Trade in Animals and related Products Regulations 2011, which implement Commission Decision 92/65/EEC (as amended)? | |
| 5. | At the examination carried out on the day(s) of collection were the donor sheep/goats free of clinical signs of infectious or contagious disease? | Date(s) of collection: .................................................. | |
| 6. | Have the ova/embryos been washed according to the standards laid down by the International Embryos Transfer Society (IETS)? | |
In particular:

- only ova/embryos from the same donor may be washed at the same time;

- the zona pellucida must be intact before and after washing;

- after washing the zona pellucida of each ovum/embryos must be examined over its entire surface under a magnification of at least 50x and found to be intact and free from adherent material.

7. Was the medium used for the collection, processing (examination, washing, treatment), conservation or freezing of ova/embryos sterilised and was it handled in such a way that its sterility was maintained?

8. Have antibiotics been added to the collection, washing and conservation medium?

9. Following collection and examinations as at 6 above, were the ova/embryos placed in sterile ampoules/straws which were duly marked with the date of collection, the breed, the identity of the donor and the name and/or the number of the collection team?

10. Does each ampoule/straw contain ova/embryos from one female donor only?

11. Were the ampoules/straws sealed at the time of freezing (in fresh alcohol or liquid nitrogen), and were they then placed in sterilised containers, containing fresh liquid nitrogen?

12. Were the ova/embryos placed in transport flasks which were cleaned and disinfected or sterilised before use and which were sealed and numbered prior to despatch from the approved facilities?

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13. Have the ova/embryos been stored in approved conditions for at least 30 days prior to despatch?

14. *In The Case Of Embryos Only*

   In the case of embryos, was the semen used for fertilisation collected in accordance with the requirements of Commission Decision 92/65/EEC (as amended by Decision 2010/470/EC)? i.e. produced by a donor which has a duly completed owners declaration/veterinary support certificate (Part A of Ovine-Caprine-Semen-Embryos SUP), in an EU approved Semen Collection Centre/holding, and stored until use in an EU approved store?

   Date (s) of insemination: ........................................

*delete as appropriate*

If all the answers to the above questions (1 to 14) are "yes" then the relevant requirements of Directive 92/65/EEC and Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 referred to in Part II of the ITAHC have been met. Also, if supporting ITAHCs for ova/embryos originating in another MS or approved third country are available, and the ova/embryos have been held in approved storage since, then the relevant requirements are also considered met.
**Part B of Annex IV to Decision 2010/470/EU:**

**Ova/Embryos collected before 1 September 2010 and Dispatched after 31 August 2010**

| 15. | Do you have a duly completed Ovine-Caprine-Ova-Embryos-CKL applicable for ova/embryos collected before 1 September 2010 which, essentially, is similar to that above (Part A) but (in the case of embryos) requires semen used for fertilisation to be from donors tested once (serology for B melitensis and B ovis, and an IPX for Border disease) within 30 days prior to first collection of semen? |

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**AVS Stamp**

Signature: ..........................................................................................................................  
Name (Block Letters):...........................................................................................................  
Authorised Veterinary Surgeon of Defra  
Address..................................................................................................................................  
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Date: ........................................  

Before signing the final export health certificate, the AVS must ensure that he/she has duly completed the Ovine-Caprine-Ova-Embryos-CKL. This checklist MUST NOT accompany the Health Certificate but should be retained by the AVS for record keeping purposes for a period of 12 months.