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IMPORT REQUIREMENTS OF THE PHILIPPINES FOR  
BOVINE EMBRYOS EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES

The embryos must be accompanied by a U.S. Origin Health Certificate issued by a veterinarian authorized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and endorsed by a Veterinary Services (VS) veterinarian. The certificate shall contain the name and address of both the consignor and consignee and complete identification of the embryos to be exported. Additional information shall include:

CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS

1. During the 6 months prior to collection of the embryos no clinical cases of bovine malignant catarrh, enzootic bovine leukosis, anthrax, vibriosis, vesicular stomatitis, Johne's disease, trichomoniasis, mucosal disease/bovine virus diarrhea (BVD) complex, infectious bovine rhinotracheitis (IBR), and epidemic bovine abortion have not been diagnosed on the farm of origin of the donor females.
2. The herd of origin of the donor females has been free of tuberculosis and brucellosis for the last 12 months prior to embryo collection.
3. The donor females were clinically healthy on the day of insemination and also on the day of collection of embryos.
4. The embryos were washed at least 10 times with each progressive washing diluted 1:100 according to procedures recommended by the International Embryo Transfer Society.
5. The embryos were examined microscopically and only embryos with intact zona pellucida are in this shipment.
6. The indelible markings on the ampoules or straws identify the embryos according to the key shown on this health certificate.
7. The semen used in fertilizing the ova came from donor bulls in an artificial insemination center, or elsewhere, under the supervision of an accredited veterinarian that within 6 months of collection, were negative to tests for the following diseases: brucellosis, trichomoniasis, leptospirosis, tuberculosis, vibriosis, Johne's disease, infectious bovine rhinotracheitis, and bovine viral diarrhea.
8. The semen was collected from bulls that showed no clinical signs of contagious disease on the date of semen collection.

TEST REQUIREMENTS

The donor cow was negative to the following tests within 30 days prior to or after collection of the embryos:

1. Tuberculosis: Intradermal caudal fold using PPD tuberculin.
2. Brucellosis: Standard tube OR Standard plate test at 1:50 dilution.