

**Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA**

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(f) All shipping containers carrying animal semen for importation into the United States must be sealed with an official seal of the national veterinary service of the region of origin. The health certificate must show the seal number on the shipping container. The semen must remain in the sealed container until arrival in the United States and, at the U.S. port of entry, an inspector determines that either:

- (1) The seal numbers on the health certificate and shipping container match; or
- (2) The seal numbers on the health certificate and shipping container do not match, but an APHIS representa-

tive at the port of entry is satisfied that the shipping container contains the semen described on the health certificate, import permit, declaration, and any other accompanying documents.

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**§ 98.36 Animal semen from Canada.**

(a) *General importation requirements for animal semen from Canada.*

| If the product is . . .                                   | Then . . .   |
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| (1) Equine semen .....                                    | There are no importation requirements under this part.   |
| (2) Sheep or goat semen ....                              | The importer or his agent, in accordance with §§98.34 and 98.35 of this part, must present:<br>(i) An import permit;<br>(ii) Two copies of a declaration; and<br>(iii) A health certificate. |
| (3) Animal semen other than equine, sheep, or goat semen. | See paragraph (b) of this section.   |

(b) *Importation requirements for animal semen other than equine, sheep, or goat semen from Canada.*

| If the product is offered for entry at a . . .                  | And . . .   | Or . . .  | Then . . .   |
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| (1) Canadian land border port listed in §98.33(b) of this part. | The donor animal was born in Canada or the United States and has never been in a region other than Canada or the United States. | The donor animal was legally imported into Canada, released to move freely in Canada, and has been released in Canada for no less than 60 days. | The importer or his agent, in accordance with §98.35 of this part, must present:<br>(i) Two copies of a declaration; and<br>(ii) A health certificate. |

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| If the product is offered for entry at a . . .                   | And . . .   | Or . . . | Then . . .  |
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| (2) Canadian land border port listed in § 98.33(b) of this part. | The donor animal does not meet the special conditions listed above in paragraph (b)(1) of this table. |          | The importer or his agent, in accordance with §§ 98.34 and 98.35 of this part, must present:<br>(i) An import permit;<br>(ii) Two copies of a declaration; and<br>(iii) A health certificate. |
| (3) Port not listed in § 98.33(b) of this part.                  |   |          | The importer or his agent, in accordance with §§ 98.34 and 98.35 of this part, must present:<br>(i) An import permit;<br>(ii) Two copies of a declaration; and<br>(iii) A health certificate. |

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**§ 98.37 Semen from sheep in regions other than Australia, Canada, and New Zealand.**

(a) Except for semen from sheep in Australia, Canada, or New Zealand, semen from sheep may only be imported into the United States if it complies with all applicable provisions of this subpart and one of the following conditions:

(1) The semen is transferred to females in a flock in the United States that participates in the Voluntary Scrapie Flock Certification Program (see 9 CFR part 54, subpart B) and qualifies as a “Certified” flock; or

(2) The semen is transferred to females in a flock in the United States that participates in the Voluntary Scrapie Flock Certification Program (see 9 CFR part 54, subpart B), and the flock owner has agreed, in writing, to maintain the flock, and all first generation progeny resulting from semen

imported in accordance with this section, in compliance with all requirements of the Voluntary Scrapie Flock Certification Program until the flock, including all first generation progeny resulting from semen imported in accordance with this section, qualifies as a “Certified” flock.

(b) Sheep semen may be imported under paragraph (a) of this section only if the importer provides the Voluntary Scrapie Flock Certification Program identification number of the receiving flock as part of the application for an import permit.

(c) Sheep semen may be imported under paragraph (a)(1) of this section only if it comes from a donor animal in a flock in the region of origin that participates in a program determined by the Administrator to be equivalent to the Voluntary Scrapie Flock Certification Program, and the flock has been determined by the Administrator to be at a level equivalent to “Certified” in