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Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards Report

FAIRS Export Certificate Report

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Report Highlights:

The report provides information on export certificates that the Government of Tunisia requires. In 2018, the United States and Tunisia reached agreement on a health certificate to accompany exports of U.S. day-old chicks and hatching eggs.

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Section I: List of All Export Certificates Required By Tunisia (Matrix)

Product(s)	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required on the Certificate	Purpose	Requesting Government Entity
All Products	Certification of Origin	Name of the country of origin	Designates where product is manufactured, produced, processed or grown	MinAg/Veterinary Services (DGSV) & Crop Protection Services (DGPCQPA)
Treated Hides and Skins of Ungulates	Treated Hides and Skins of Ungulates to Tunisia	See model #1 in Appendix	Health Certificate	DGSV
Milk and Milk Products	Sanitary certificate for the export to Tunisia of thermally treated Milk and Milk Products	See model #2 in Appendix	Health Certificate	DGSV
Breeding Cattle	Health Certificate for export of breeding cattle from the U.S. to Tunisia	See model #3 in Appendix	Health Certificate	DGSV
Sheep and Goats	Health Certificate for export of sheep and goats from the U.S. to Tunisia	See model #4 in Appendix	Health Certificate	DGSV
Bovine Semen	Health Certificate for export of Bovine Semen from the U.S. to Tunisia	See model #5 in Appendix	Health Certificate	DGSV
Day-old Chicks/Hatching Eggs	Veterinary Health Certificate for export of day old poultry and hatching eggs from the U.S. to Tunisia	See model #6 in Appendix	Health Certificate	DGSV
Equine Semen	Health Certificate for export of Equine Semen from the U.S. to Tunisia is under discussion	A certificate is under discussion to be finalized.	Health Certificate	DGSV
Processed Egg Products	9060-5EP NOT accepted	Under discussion	Health Certificate	DGSV
Beef and Poultry Meat	9060-5 NOT accepted	Under discussion	Health Certificate	DGSV
Plants and Part of Plants	Phytosanitary Certificate	See APHIS/PCIT	Phytosanitary Certificate	DGPCQPA
	Re-export certificate	- If the exporting country is not the country of origin, shipments shall be accompanied by a re-export certificate and the phytosanitary certificate issued by the country of origin		
Seeds	Varietal certificate	To verify if seed variety is registered and allowed in Tunisia	Technical	DGPCQPA

For additional information:

- APHIS: [Live Animals](#), [Animal Products](#), and [Plant Products](#)
- FSIS: [Meat and Poultry](#) and [Processed Eggs](#)
- [AMS](#)
- [NOAA Fisheries](#)

Section II: Purpose of Specific Export Certificate(s)

Please refer to the Matrix under Section I.

Section III: Specific Attestations Required on Export Certificate(s)

Please refer to the Matrix under Section I.

Section IV: Government Certificate's Legal Entry Requirements

- U.S. exporters will generally need to provide Tunisian importers the following documents:
 - o Commercial Invoice: Since October 2006, customs clearance requires domiciliation of the commercial invoice with an approved financial intermediary (i.e. commercial bank). Tunisia's Central Bank prohibits the flow of currency out of Tunisia as payment for imports before documents are presented to the issuing bank confirming that the merchandise has entered the country.
 - o Packing List,
 - o Bill of Lading,
 - o Technical Note: describes the composition of product, lot number, production date and validity period, safety requirements, storage requirements, conformity certificate, and analyses.
- Ministry of Agriculture through Customs will accept only certificates issued by government officials. Certificates issued by federal agencies as well as by state government agencies are normally accepted.
- Issuance Date/Duration of the certificates: the Tunisian regulation explicitly requires that phytosanitary certificates (for fresh fruits and vegetable and live plant materials) be issued at most 14 days before loading.
- For pre-packaged food, items shall have at least 50 percent remaining of their shelf life period to be admitted into the country.
- Originals of the certificates are needed but electronic and fax copies might be accepted to swiftly clear customs yet the importer remains responsible for providing the original of the certificate.
- Each shipment must have a separate health certificate.
- For goods transiting through Europe and arriving Tunisia, a health certificate issued by U.S. authorities is required.

- **Note:** Tunisia started in 2017 to require a copy of export declaration for a list of products including soybeans, almonds, walnuts, and animal feed from all countries; however, this requirement was later formally removed for U.S. exporters which have been thus far unable to comply with providing a copy of the U.S. export declaration, otherwise punishable under U.S. law. See the [Export Declaration Trade Barrier Removed GAIN Report](#).

Section V: Other Certification/Accreditation Requirements

- A certificate indicating the amount of dioxin residue is required for all imports of bulk and processed food items.
- A certificate of non-contamination from radioactivity issued at the country of origin or failing that delivered in Tunisia by the National Center for Radioprotection after testing is also required.
- For meat and poultry, U.S. exporters should be prepared to provide the Tunisian importer proof of Islamic ritual slaughter as part of the commercial contract. Halal certification is not a requirement imposed by the Tunisian government.

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Appendix I. Electronic Copy or Outline of Each Export Certificate.

Model Export Certificate #1 **Treated Hides and Skins of Ungulates**

The following certification statements, made on the basis of a notarized affidavit, should be provided on a VS Form 16-4 for the export of treated ungulate hides to Tunisia:

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [*insert name of company here*] verifying the accuracy of the statements below:

The hides or skins have been obtained from animals free of signs of diseases transmissible through the certified product and have not been killed in order to eradicate an epizootic disease.

The hides have been [ONE OF THE TREATMENTS LISTED BELOW MUST BE INCLUDED ON THE CERTIFICATE]:

- Dried.
- Dry salted or salted in brine for at least 14 days prior to shipping.
- salted for 7 days in sea salt with the addition of 2% sodium carbonate.
- dried for 42 days at a temperature of at least 20 degrees Celsius.
- salted on [DATE] before shipping.

The lot has been handled in a manner designed to prevent contamination of the product.

Model Export Certificate #2

Milk and Milk Products



SANITARY CERTIFICATE FOR THE EXPORT TO TUNISIA OF
THERMALLY TREATED MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS DESTINED FOR
HUMAN CONSUMPTION



CERTIFICAT SANITAIRE RELATIF A L'EXPORTATION VERS LA TUNISIE
DE LAIT ET DE PRODUITS LAITIERS TRAITES THERMIQUEMENT
DESTINES A LA CONSOMMATION HUMAINE

Shipper Country: United States of America
 Pays expéditeur: United States of America
 Competent Authority: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service
 Autorité compétente: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service
 Reference Number of this Certificate: _____

I Product Identification / Identification du Produit

Product Name / Nom du produit: _____
 Packaging / Nature des emballages: _____
 Number of Units / Nombre d'unités: _____
 Total Net Weight / Poids net total: _____
 Manufacturer / Fabricant: _____

Plant Number:

Approval No N° d'agrément	Lot No N° de lot	Production date Date de production	Number of units Nombre d'unités	Net weight (kg) Poids net (kg)

II Origin of Shipment / Provenance de l'envoi

a) Country of origin / Pays d'origine: United States of America
 b) Shipper Name and Address:
 Nom et adresse de l'expéditeur: _____

III Destination of Shipment / Destination de l'envoi

a) Shipment sent from / L'envoi a été de:

 b) Recipient Name and Address / Nom et adresse du destinataire:

IV Health Attestation / Attestation sanitaire

I the undersigned certifying official, certify that / Je soussigné, certificateur officiel, certifie que:

1. The product was manufactured from milk that received a pasteurization treatment or adequate safeguards have been taken with the aim of avoiding public health hazards arising from pathogenic organisms associated with milk.
 Le produit a été fabriqué à partir de lait qui a subi un traitement de pasteurisation et que des garanties adéquates ont été prises dans le but d'éviter les risques pour la santé publique résultant d'organismes pathogènes associés au lait.
2. The product was manufactured in facilities inspected and approved by the competent authority and subjected to regular audits or inspections aimed at ensuring that the processing is properly and hygienically carried out, to produce a product that is safe and fit for human consumption.
 Le produit a été fabriqué dans des établissements inspectés et approuvés par l'autorité compétente et soumis à des audits réguliers et des inspections visant à garantir que le traitement est effectué de manière correcte et hygiénique pour produire un produit qui est sain et propre à la consommation humaine.
3. The products were prepared, packed, held and transported prior to export under a system of regulations intended to ensure good hygienic practice and an effective food safety control system that allows for HACCP systems where appropriate and that meets or exceeds the provisions within the Codex Code of Hygienic Practice for Milk and Milk Products.
 Les produits, avant d'être exportés, ont été préparés, emballés, transportés et détenus selon une réglementation destinée à assurer le respect des bonnes pratiques d'hygiène et d'un système de sécurité alimentaire efficace de contrôle mis en œuvre en conformité avec les systèmes HACCP, le cas échéant, conformément aux dispositions du Code d'usages du Codex d'hygiène pour le lait et les produits laitiers.

4. The milk and milk products contained in this consignment have been produced under a U.S. safety system that is intended to ensure the safety of these products. Milk and milk products under this U.S. safety system which satisfy public health criteria include:
 Le lait et les produits laitiers contenus dans le présent envoi ont été produits selon un système de sécurité américain qui vise à assurer leur salubrité et répondent aux conditions de santé publique suivantes:
- Processing to destroy pathogenic organisms, including heat treatment to ensure absence of viable pathogenic organisms.
 Des traitements pour détruire les organismes pathogènes, y compris le traitement thermique pour garantir l'absence d'organismes pathogènes viables.
 - Controls to ensure that residues of natural toxins, including Aflatoxin M1, pesticides, antibiotics, estrogenic or hormonal substances of a natural or synthetic origin, other therapeutic drugs, and heavy metals do not present unacceptable risk to public health.
 Des contrôles pour s'assurer que les résidus de toxines naturelles, y compris l'aflatoxine M1, pesticides, antibiotiques, substances oestrogéniques ou hormonal d'origine naturelle ou synthétique, d'autres médicaments thérapeutiques, et les métaux lourds, ne présentent pas de risque inacceptable pour la santé publique.
5. Data derived from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration compliance program, "Toxic Elements in Food and Foodware, and Radionuclides in Food - Import and Domestic," and the FDA "Total Diet Study" demonstrate that milk and milk products customarily do not exceed acceptable threshold limits of radionuclides.
 Les données issues du programme de conformité de l'U.S. Food and Drug Administration «éléments toxiques dans l'alimentation et la vaisselle de table, et les radionucléides dans les aliments - Importation et domestique», ainsi que de l'étude «Total Diet Study» démontrent que le lait et les produits laitiers ne dépassent pas les limites usuelles de seuil acceptable de radionucléides.
6. The United States has put in place a system for risk assessment and management as well as a monitoring plan for the rapid detection and prevention of contamination from PCBs and dioxins, and data from these programs demonstrate that milk and milk products customarily do not exceed acceptable threshold limits of PCBs or dioxins.
 Les Etats-Unis ont mis en place un système d'évaluation des risques et de gestion ainsi que d'un plan de surveillance pour la détection rapide et la prévention de la contamination par les PCB et les dioxines qui démontrent que le lait et les produits laitiers ne dépassent pas les limites usuelles du seuil acceptable de PCB ou les dioxines.

Done / Fait à _____ (Place) On / Le _____ January 19, 2012 (Date)

Signature of Certifying Official / Signature d'agent certificateur officiel

CARRIE SAYASITHSENA
 NATIONAL PROGRAM COORDINATOR
 USDA, Dairy Grading

¹ The certifying official will stamp the certificate with a raised seal and sign in a colored ink.
 L'agent certificateur doit signer avec une encre de couleur différente des autres mentions du certificat avec apposition d'un tampon sec.

² This present certificate must accompany a bacterial analysis from the accredited laboratory duly signed in conformity with health standards in force.
 Les bulletins d'analyses délivrés par un laboratoire accrédité, doivent être jointes au certificat sanitaire.

Agreed To



 Ken Vorgan
 Chief, Dairy Grading Branch
 USDA, AMS, Dairy Programs
 United States of America

Jan 19, 2012
 Date


 Hamedh Marrakchi
 Deputy Chief Veterinary Officer
 Ministry of Agriculture
 Tunisia

_____ Date

Model Export Certificate #3 Breeding Cattle

VETERINARY HEALTH CERTIFICATE FOR EXPORT OF BREEDING CATTLE FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO TUNISIA					
Veterinary Authority UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE		Date Of Issue		Certificate Number	
					
1. Consignor:			2. Consignee:		
3. Country Of Origin: USA			4. State Of Origin:		
3. Country Of Destination: Tunisia			6. Zone Of Destination: *****		
7. Place Of Origin:			8. Port Of Embarkation:		
9. Estimated Date Of Shipment:			10. Means Of Transport:		
11. Identification / Seal Numbers: ***** *****			12. Zone Of Destination *****		
13. Description Of Commodity:			14. ***** *****		
15. Total Quantity:			16. Additional Information: *****		
17. Additional Information:					
18. Identification / Seal Numbers: *****					
19. Commodities Intended Use:			20. Type Of Admission: Permanent import		
21. Identification Of Commodities:					
	Species	Breed	Age	Sex	Identification (ear tag, tattoo, iron brand)
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NOTE: If more space is needed, a separate table can be created, signed by the USDA accredited veterinarian and becomes part of this certificate.					

VETERINARY HEALTH CERTIFICATE FOR EXPORT OF
CATTLE FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA



Veterinary Authority
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Date Of Issue

Certificate Number

II. ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATIONS STATEMENTS:

I, the undersigned USDA accredited veterinarian, certify to the following statements.

1. The United States is free of contagious bovine pleuropneumonia, foot and mouth disease, peste des petits ruminants, lumpy skin disease, Rift Valley fever, and malignant catarrhal fever.
2. The United States is recognized by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) as a country having a negligible risk for bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE).
3. The herd of origin has been free of clinical cases of vesicular stomatitis virus, brucellosis and tuberculosis for the one (1) year prior to export.
4. The herd of origin has been free of clinical cases of:
 - a. paratuberculosis (Johne's disease) for the five (5) years prior to export.
 - b. enzootic bovine leukosis (EBL) for the three (3) years prior to export.
 - c. infectious bovine rhinotracheitis (IBR), campylobacteriosis, trichomoniasis, leptospirosis, anthrax, infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/infectious pustular vulvovaginitis (IBR/IPV), and sarcoptic mange (scabies) for the one (1) year prior to export.
 - d. bluetongue virus (ovine catarrhal fever) for the 60 days prior to export.
5. The animals intended for export:
 - a. were born and raised in the United States or have remained in the United States for a period of at least 60 days prior to export.
 - b. were identified by a permanent identification system recognized by the USDA.
 - c. were born after the date from which the ban on the feeding of ruminants with meat-and-bone meal and greaves derived from ruminants had been effectively enforced.
 - d. are not subject to movement restrictions under official contagious animal disease control or eradication program(s) and originate from farms which have not been subjected to quarantine for contagious disease in the last six (6) months.
 - e. have not been treated with synthetic hormones (except as needed for normal therapeutic treatment)
 - f. were isolated in a facility inspected and approved by a USDA-accredited veterinarian for at least 30 days immediately prior to export.
 - g. will be transported from the isolation facility to the port of embarkation in vehicles previously cleaned and disinfected.
6. The animals were inspected within 21 days prior to export and found to be free from clinical evidence of communicable diseases.

**VETERINARY HEALTH CERTIFICATE FOR EXPORT OF CATTLE
FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA**



Veterinary Authority
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Date of Issue

Certificate Number

III. TEST REQUIREMENTS:

During the 30-day isolation period prior to export, the cattle have been tested, with negative results, for the diseases listed below. (* Delete as appropriate)

1. Tuberculosis: Intradermal caudal fold test using bovine PPD tuberculin
Test date(s) _____
2. Brucellosis: Complement fixation test at a 1:10 dilution* or buffered *Brucella* antigen test (i.e., card test*) or Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA)* or Fluorescent Polarization Assay (FPA)* or standard tube test or standard plate agglutination test at 1:50 dilution*.
Test date(s) _____
3. Bovine Viral Diarrhea (BVD): Virus Isolation* or Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)*
Test date(s) _____
4. Paratuberculosis (Johne's Disease): ELISA
Test date(s) _____
5. Enzootic Bovine Leukosis (EBL): Agar-gel immunodiffusion test (AGID)* or ELISA* or PCR*
Test date(s) _____
6. Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis/Infectious Pustular Vulvovaginitis (IBR/IPV)*: Only required of animals that have not been vaccinated. Animals were subjected during isolation period to a diagnostic test for IBR/IPV on a blood sample on two occasions with negative results, at an interval of not less than 21 days.
First test date(s) _____
Second test date(s) _____
7. Bluetongue Virus (BTV): AGID* or ELISA* or PCR.*
[Animals that test positive on AGID or ELISA may be further tested by either PCR or virus isolation, conducted at the USDA-National Veterinary Services Laboratories (NVSL). A negative PCR or virus isolation test will override a positive ELISA or AGID test and animals will be released for export based on these negative results.]
Test date(s) _____

IV. OTHER VETERINARY TREATMENTS AND INSPECTIONS

Within 30 days prior to export, the animals were inspected and treated for internal and external parasites.

Date of treatment: _____ Name of product: _____

Within 30 days prior to export, the animals were vaccinated against the following diseases:


	Vaccination date
Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis (IBR)*	_____
Bovine Viral Diarrhea (BVD)	_____
Parainfluenza	_____
Leptospirosis	_____

The animals will receive USDA veterinary inspection at the port of embarkation, within 48 hours of embarkation, and be found to be fit for travel.

V. ENDORSEMENT

Name of Issuing USDA Accredited Veterinarian	Name of Endorsing Federal Veterinary Medical Officer
Date	Date
Signature of Issuing USDA Accredited Veterinarian	Signature of Endorsing Federal Veterinary Medical Officer

Model Export Certificate #4 Sheep and Goats

Veterinary Health Certificate for Export of Sheep and Goats from the United States of America to the Republic of Tunisia						
Veterinary Authority UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	Date Of Issue		Certificate Number			
CERTIFICATION						
This is to certify that the animals described herein have been inspected and/or tested for the diseases specified, and conform to the current veterinary requirements of the Republic of Tunisia.						
1. Consignor:		2. Consignee:				
3. Country Of Origin: USA		4. State(s) Of Origin:				
5. Country Of Destination Tunisia		6. Zone Of Destination:				
7. Place Of Origin:		8. U.S. Port Of Embarkation:				
9. Estimated Date Of Shipment:		10. Means Of Transport:				
11.		12. CITES Permit Number:				
13. Description Of Commodity:		14. Date Of Inspection:				
15. Total Quantity:		16. Additional Information:				
17. Total Number Of Containers:						
18. Identification / Seal Numbers:						
19. Commodities Intended Use: Breeding/Rearing		20. Type Of Admission: Permanent Import				
21. Identification Of Commodities						
	Breed	Left Ear ID	Right Ear ID	Age (Months)	Other ID	Sex
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**Veterinary Health Certificate for Export of Sheep and Goats from
the United States of America to the Republic of Tunisia**



Veterinary Authority
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Date Of Issue

Certificate Number

Certification Statements :

1. The animals were born and raised in the United States.
2. The United States is free of foot-and-mouth disease, goat and sheep pox, peste des petits ruminants, and Rift Valley fever.
3. Scrapie is a notifiable disease in the United States.
4. The feeding to sheep and goats of meat-and-bone meal or greaves of ruminant origin is banned and effectively enforced in the United States.
5. Each animal was identified by a permanent identification system recognized by the USDA.
6. The animals have been in isolation in facilities officially approved by a USDA-accredited veterinarian, for a minimum of 30 days prior to embarkation.
7. The flock(s) of origin:
 - a. Has had no clinical cases of scrapie disease in the last seven (7) years prior to export.
 - b. Has had no clinical cases of caprine arthritis/encephalitis and/or maedi-visna in the last three (3) years prior to export.
 - c. Has had no clinical cases of *Chlamydothila abortus* (enzootic abortion of ewes) in the last two (2) years prior to export.
 - d. Has had no clinical cases of brucellosis in the last twelve (12) months prior to export.
 - e. Has had no clinical cases of contagious agalactia in the last six (6) months prior to export.
 - f. Has had no clinical cases of contagious caprine pleuropneumonia in the last three (3) months prior to export.
8. None of the animals in the shipment has been removed due to disease eradication measures
9. Within 15 days of export, all animals were treated with _____, an approved product that provides broad-spectrum coverage against internal parasites, and _____, an approved product for use against external parasites.

**Veterinary Health Certificate for Export of Sheep and Goats from
the United States of America to the Republic of Tunisia**



Veterinary Authority UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	Date Of Issue	Certificate Number
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TEST REQUIREMENTS

All animals must be tested during the isolation period, with negative results as prescribed below:

1. Tuberculosis:
Intradermal caudal intradermal tuberculin test. Date: _____

2. Brucellosis: *B. abortus*, *B. ovis* and *B. melitensis*.
Card test, ELISA, complement fixation (CF) test, BAPA test, or any other officially recognized test.
Date: _____

3. Bluetongue:
AGID (Agar-gel immunodiffusion)* test or ELISA* or PCR.
Date: _____
*Animals that test positive on AGID or ELISA may be further tested by either PCR or virus isolation conducted at the USDA-National Veterinary Services Laboratories (NVSL). A negative PCR or virus isolation test will override a positive ELISA or AGID and animals will be released for export based on these negative results.

4. Maedi-visna (for sheep only):
AGID or CF test or ELISA. Date: _____

5. Caprine Arthritis Encephalitis (for goats only):
Serology. Date: _____


6. Chlamydiosis (*Chlamydia abortus*, Enzootic Abortion of Ewes):
Diagnostic test for Chlamydiosis with negative results. Date: _____

EMBARKATION STATEMENTS:

1. During transit, animals will not be comingled with any animals of lesser health status.
2. The loading of the animals was carried out in vehicles or containers previously cleaned and disinfected using an approved disinfectant.
3. The animals will receive USDA veterinary inspection within 48 hours of export, and found free of evidence of communicable disease and fit to travel.

Name of Accredited Veterinarian:	Name of USDA Veterinarian:
Signature of Accredited Veterinarian:	Signature of USDA Veterinarian:
Date:	Date:

Model Export Certificate #5 Bovine Semen

VETERINARY HEALTH CERTIFICATE FOR EXPORT OF BOVINE SEMEN FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA						
Veterinary Authority UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE		Date Of Issue		Certificate Number		
1. Consignor:			2. Consignee:			
3. Country Of Origin: USA			4. State Of Origin:			
3. Country Of Destination: Tunisia			6. Zone Of Destination: *****			
7. Place Of Origin:			8. Port Of Embarkation:			
9. Estimated Date Of Shipment:			10. Means Of Transport:			
11. Identification / Seal Numbers: ***** ***** *****			12. Zone Of Destination *****			
13. Description Of Commodity:			14. ***** ***** *****			
15. Total Quantity:			16. Additional Information: *****			
17. Additional Information:						
18. Identification / Seal Numbers:						
19. Commodities Intended Use:			20. Type Of Admission: Permanent import			
21. Identification Of Commodities:						
	Registered Name and Identification number	Breed	Age	Collection date	Collection code	Number of straws
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NOTE: If more space is needed, a separate table can be created, signed by the USDA accredited veterinarian and becomes part of this certificate.						

VETERINARY HEALTH CERTIFICATE FOR EXPORT OF BOVINE SEMEN
FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA



Veterinary Authority
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Date Of Issue

Certificate Number

II. ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATIONS STATEMENTS:

I, the undersigned USDA accredited veterinarian, certify to the following statements.

1. The United States is free of contagious bovine pleuropneumonia, foot and mouth disease, peste des petits ruminants, lumpy skin disease, Rift Valley fever, and bovine malignant catarrhal fever.
2. The semen collection center has been free of clinical cases of brucellosis and tuberculosis during the thirty (30) days prior to commencement, until conclusion of, semen collection for export.
3. The semen collection center has been free of clinical cases of clinical cases of campylobacteriosis, trichomoniasis, enzootic bovine leucosis (EBL), bluetongue virus, and bovine viral diarrhoea (BVD) during the thirty (30) days prior to commencement, until conclusion of, semen collection for export.
4. Donor animals:
 - a. were born and raised in the United States or have remained in the United States for a period of at least 60 days prior to semen collection.
 - b. were identified by a permanent identification system recognized by the USDA.
 - c. were not resident in any establishment that is subject to quarantine restrictions for at least the 90 days before the first semen collection for this consignment, until completion of the testing of the donors.
 - d. health status on the day(s) of collection was monitored and recorded, and the donor did not show any clinical evidence of infectious diseases transmissible in semen.
 - e. were isolated for at least 28 days at a semen collection center inspected and approved annually by APHIS. During this time, the animals were not used for natural mating and were isolated from animals not of equivalent health status.
5. The semen for export:
 - a. was collected, handled, prepared, processed and stored at an approved semen collection center or semen storage center, in accordance with the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) Terrestrial Animal Health Code, which has been inspected annually by an APHIS veterinarian, and is under the supervision of a USDA accredited veterinarian.
 - b. includes antibiotics added to the semen diluent in accordance with OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code. After addition of antibiotics, the semen was kept above 5°C for at least 45 minutes.
Name and concentration of antibiotics: _____
 - c. is sealed in straws or vials that are clearly and permanently marked to identify the donor and the date(s) of collection. The marking, in accordance with the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code, conforms to the international standards of the International Committee for Animal Recording (ICAR; www.icar.org).
 - d. was stored in the frozen state for at least 30 days after collection before shipment, and during this time, the donors, and all animals in contact with them, have remained free from any diseases transmissible in semen.

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III. TEST REQUIREMENTS:

Each donor animal was examined during the isolation period, before entering the resident herd, for tuberculosis, brucellosis, BVD, campylobacteriosis, trichomoniasis, EBL, and bluetongue, and found to be test negative (with the exception of serological test for BVD) for the following diseases within six months prior to or post collection, unless otherwise specified below:

1. Tuberculosis: Intradermal caudal fold test using bovine PPD tuberculin
Test date(s) _____
2. Brucellosis: Complement fixation test at a 1:10 dilution¹ or buffered *Brucella* antigen test (i.e., card test¹) or Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA)¹ or Fluorescent Polarization Assay (FPA)¹ or standard tube test or standard plate agglutination test at 1:50 dilution¹.
Test date(s) _____
3. Bovine Viral Diarrhea (BVD): Virus isolation test¹ or viral antigen test (ELISA)¹
Test date(s) _____

Serological test by viral neutralization¹ or ELISA¹ in order to determine the presence of absence of antibodies.²
Test date(s) _____
4. Campylobacteriosis: Test date(s) _____
5. Trichomoniasis: Test date(s) _____
6. Enzootic Bovine Leukosis (EBL): Test date(s) _____
7. Bluetongue: Serological test (ELISA or AGID) to detect antibodies to the bluetongue virus group, with negative results, at least every 60 days throughout the collection period and between 28 and 60 days after the final collection for this consignment¹ or agent identification test on blood samples collected at commencement and conclusion of, and at least every 7 days (virus isolation) or at least every 28 days (PCR test) during, semen collection for this consignment, with negative results¹ or PCR test on an aliquot of semen from each collection in this consignment.¹
8. Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis / Infectious Pustular Vulvovaginitis (IBR/IPV): Diagnostic test for IBR/IPV on a blood sample taken at least 21 days after collection of the semen, with negative results¹ or if the serological status of the bull is unknown or if the bull is serologically positive, an aliquot of each semen collection code for export was subjected to a virus isolation test, or PCR,¹ performed in accordance with the *OIE Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals*.

Test date(s) _____

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9. Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease (EHD): Serological test to detect antibodies to EHD group, with negative results, at least every 60 days throughout the collection period and between 28 and 60 days after the final collection for this consignment¹ or agent identification test on blood samples collected at commencement and conclusion of, and at least every 7 days (virus isolation test) or at least every 28 days (PCR test) during, semen collection for this consignment, with negative results.¹

All tests must be carried out in approved laboratories.

¹ Delete as appropriate.

² Prior to the initial dispatch of semen from BVD serologically positive bulls, a semen sample from each animal should be subjected to a virus isolation or virus antigen test for BVD. In the event of a positive result, the bull should be removed from the Center and all of its semen destroyed.

Name of Issuing USDA accredited veterinarian

Name of Endorsing Federal Veterinary Medical Officer


Date

Date

Signature of Issuing USDA accredited veterinarian

Signature of Endorsing Federal Veterinary Medical Officer

Model Export Certificate #6 Day-old Chicks/ Hatching Eggs

Veterinary Health Certificate for Export of Day Old Poultry and Hatching Eggs from the United States of America to Tunisia						
Veterinary Authority UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	Date Of Issue	Certificate Number				
CERTIFICATION						
This is to certify that the animals described herein have been inspected and/or tested for the diseases specified, and conform to the current veterinary requirements of the importing country.						
1. Consignor:		2. Consignee:				
3. Country Of Origin: USA		4. State Of Origin:				
5. Country Of Destination: Tunisia		6. Zone Of Destination:				
7. Place Of Origin:		8. Port Of Embarkation / Border Crossing:				
9. Date Of Shipment:		10. Means Of Transport:				
11.		12. CITES Permit Number:				
13. Description Of Commodity:		14. Date Of Inspection:				
15. Total Quantity:		16. Additional Information:				
17. Total Number Of Packages/Containers:						
18. Identification / Seal Numbers:						
19. Commodities Intended Use: Breeding/Rearing		20. Type Of Admission: Permanent Import				
21. Identification Of Commodities:						
Row	Variety/Strain	Trade Name	Hatch Date	Sex	Quantity	Additional Description
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Certification Statements :

1. The United States has a national surveillance program with mandatory reporting for avian influenza which is carried out in uniformity with OIE recommendations.
2. The United States is free from Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza as defined in the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) Terrestrial Code;* OR the parent flocks have remained in an establishment at least 25 km from any reported cases of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza during the six (6) months prior to and at the time of the collection of eggs, and there has been no epidemiological link with an establishment where Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza has been detected during the past 90 days.*
3. The United States is free from Newcastle Disease as defined in the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) Terrestrial Code;* OR the parent flocks that have remained in an establishment at least 25 km from any reported cases of Newcastle Disease during the six (6) months prior to and at the time of the collection of eggs, and there has been no epidemiological link with an establishment where Newcastle Disease has been detected during the past 90 days.*
4. The flocks of origin are accredited by the National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP) of the US Department of Agriculture (USDA), subject to regular official sanitary and veterinary controls, and were inspected by a USDA-accredited veterinarian within thirty (30) days preceding the date of export or setting of hatching eggs.
5. Poultry for export come from farms that are subject to testing with negative results for the following diseases :
 - a. Salmonellas: The farms and the hatcheries of origin are certified to be free of *Salmonella pullorum*, *S. gallinarum*, *S. enteritidis*, *S. typhimurium* and *S. arizonae*;* OR Bacteriology on animal litter in the farm, or in the hatchery of the poultry for export, test negative within 2 months prior to export (laboratory results included with this certificate);*
 - b. Mycoplasmas: The farms and the hatcheries of origin are free of clinical mycoplasmosis and are either certified to be free of *Mycoplasma gallisepticum*, *M. synoviae*, and *M. meleagridis*;** OR Serology on 60 birds per flock of origin of poultry for export, test negative within 2 months prior to export (laboratory results included with this certificate).*
6. Parents of poultry for export have not been vaccinated against Newcastle disease;* OR were subject to a vaccination protocol for Newcastle disease more than 4 weeks before the export, with an inactivated vaccine or live lentogenic strain vaccine.*
7. The poultry for export have not come in contact with other poultry having a lower sanitary status during transit, and are not subject to official sanitary restrictions in the framework of an eradication plan of the regulated diseases.
8. The poultry for export are shipped in new, clean containers, or in used containers that have been cleaned and disinfected with products approved for the purpose of preventing the introduction of diseases.
9. The day-old chicks designated in the certificate come from flocks of origin that have not been the subject of a declaration of diseases specific to the species.
10. No diagnosis of the diseases mentioned below, have been reported on the farms of origin of the day-old chicks or hatching eggs, for at least three (3) months: Marek's disease, infectious bronchitis, avian encephalomyelitis, avian smallpox, avian infectious laryngotracheitis, avian leukosis, avian mycoplasmosis, salmonellosis, Gumboro disease (infectious bursal disease), avian cholera, ornithosis/pittacosis, and avian tuberculosis.
11. Hatching eggs and day-old chicks come from a breeding operation located in a region where no restrictions for reportable contagious diseases, specific to the species concerned, have been established within a radius of 25 km for at least six months.
12. Hatching eggs and day-old chicks come from an establishment that complies with the hygiene and health safety procedures in accordance with the standards referred to in Chapter 6.4 of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code regarding biosecurity measures applicable to poultry production. Hatching eggs have been disinfected in accordance with international standards in force.

13. The parent stock of the poultry for export have been vaccinated for the following:				
Disease	Age at Vaccination	Name & Type of Vaccine	Serial Number	Manufacturer
Newcastle Disease				
Avian Encephalomyelitis				
Infectious bursal disease (Gumboro disease) ¹				
Infectious bronchitis ¹				
Marek's Disease ¹				
Avian encephalomyelitis ²				
¹ line-out as appropriate ¹ Required for chicken species ² Required for turkey species				
Name of Accredited Veterinarian		Name of USDA Veterinarian		
Signature of Accredited Veterinarian		Signature of USDA Veterinarian		
Date		Date		

NOTE: It is the exporter's responsibility to ensure that hatching eggs and day-old chicks shall be transported under appropriate conditions in accordance with the standards laid down in Chapters 7.1, 7.2, 7.3, and 7.4 relating to the animal welfare of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code.