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Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service

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| Title:                           | AQIS Approval of Semen and Embryo Collection Facilities  |                  |            |
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| Relevant to:                     | Reproductive Material Exporters<br>AQIS Accredited Embryo Transfer Veterinarians<br>AQIS Regional Managers<br>AQIS Live Animal Exports Officers<br>Australian Reproductive Veterinarians Committee |                  |            |

### PURPOSE

- To remind all reproductive material exporters of the requirements for AQIS approval of reproductive material facilities for export purposes.

### INSTRUCTIONS

AQIS must ensure that all importing country requirements for the approval of reproductive material facilities are met before it can grant export certification for consignments of embryos and semen.


AQIS will recognise reproductive material facilities that adhere to Australian domestic requirements, where the Australian domestic requirements meet importing country requirements.

Where importing country conditions require that facilities, or their operation, are of a standard additional to Australian domestic requirements, AQIS will inspect facilities to ensure the additional requirements are met. Written AQIS approval confirming compliance with the additional requirements will be issued on the basis of AQIS inspection. AQIS will only grant health certification where it is satisfied that the additional requirements were met at the time of collection of the genetic material.

Requests for AQIS approval of facilities should include a complete list of countries to which the facility intends to export, along with the species and commodities intended for export, and a current protocol, in English, from the relevant importing country(ies). Where translation to English is required the translated copy must be

certified. AQIS inspections are fully cost recovered including preparation, travel, documentation, audit, report and approval of premises.

For further information regarding AQIS requirements for reproductive material exports please contact Stephen Malone, AQIS Live Animal Export Program, GPO Box 858, Canberra ACT 2601, [stephen.malone@daff.gov.au](mailto:stephen.malone@daff.gov.au), 02 6272 4581 (ph)



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