DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ENVIRONMENT AND RURAL AFFAIRS

**(DAERA)**

**MODEL ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE FOR THE MOVEMENT BETWEEN MEMBER STATES OF CONSIGNMENTS OF GERMINAL PRODUCTS LISTED BELOW, DISPATCHED AFTER 20 APRIL 2021 FROM THE GERMINAL PRODUCT STORAGE CENTRE:**

* semen of bovine animals collected, processed and stored in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2016/429 and Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/686 after 20 April 2021;
* stocks of semen of bovine animals collected, processed and stored in accordance with Council Directive 88/407/EEC, as amended by Council Directive 2003/43/EC, after 31 December 2004 and before 21 April 2021;
* stocks of semen of bovine animals collected, processed and stored before 1 January 2005 in accordance with Council Directive 88/407/EEC as amended by Council Directive 93/60/EEC;
* oocytes and embryos of bovine animals collected or produced, processed and stored in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2016/429 and Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/686 after 20 April 2021;
* stocks of embryos of bovine animals collected or produced, processed and stored in accordance with Directive 89/556/EEC before 21 April 2021

# (MODEL ‘BOV-GP-STORAGE-INTRA’)

**NOTES FOR GUIDANCE OF CERTIFYING OFFICIAL VETERINARIANS (aPVP)**

**1. KEY DOCUMENTS**

The following key documents must be read and understood prior to completing and signing the Intra-trade Animal Health Certificate (ITAHC) **BOV-GP-STORAGE-INTRA.**

* **Summary of Forms BOV-GP-STORAGE-INTRA-SOF**
* **Notes for Guidance of aPVP** (This Document)
* **Commission Regulation 2016/429 and Delegated** **Regulation 2020/686**
* **Council Directive 88/407/EEC** (as amended **93/60/EEC**)
* **Commission Regulation 2020/2235**
* **ITAHC BOV-GP-STORAGE-INTRA template**
* **Operator’ Declaration**

**2. SCOPE**

Bovine germinal product, for the purposes of intra community trade, may only be consigned from an **approved** Bovine germinal product Storage Centre. Intra Trade Animal Health Certificate (ITAHC) **BOV-GP-STROAGE-INTRA** must be used for the export of bovine germinal products dispatched to another EU member state after 20 APRIL 2021. A separate certificate must be used for each consignment of germinal product. The original certificate must accompany the consignment to the final place of destination.

**3. Completing Part I of ITAHC BOV-GP-STORAGE-INTRA Description of the consignment**

Chapter 2 of Regulation 2020/2235 provides guidance on completion Parts I of official health certificates for the movement of animals and products between member states.

A template of health certificate **BOV-GP-STORAGE-INTRA** can be obtained from the DAERA Internet or your local DAERA office providing guidance on completion of Parts I. & II of the ITAHC

Complete all of the sections of Part I required as per the template document.

I.30: Record:

* **Species** – Bos Taurus
* **Subspecies/Category** - Bovine
* **Identification number** – identification number of donor animals
* **type** – germinal product
* **Identification mark** – Identification mark on straw or package of germinal product
* **the collection or production date**
* **Quantity** – Number
* **Approval number germinal product storage centre**.
* **Individual serial numbers of certificates which accompanied the germinal product from the collection to the storage centre must be listed in Box I**.17. Either the original certificates or endorsed/certified copies must be attached to ITAHC BOV-GP-STORAGE-INTRA

**4. Completing Part II of ITAHC BOV-GP-STORAGE-INTRA – Certification**

Paragraph II.1

* The germinal product must have been stored in a centre approved under conditions which comply with the standards laid down in Directive 80/407/EEC (as amended 93/60/EEC) and Commission Regulation 2016/429 and Delegated Regulation 2020/686
* You can check that the germinal product Storage Centre is approved by ensuring it appears on the lists of approved premises/establishments via the following link.

<https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/publications/livestock-and-equine-semen-semen-collection-sites>

If you wish you could keep a dated print out from this website for your records.

If you are the “Centre Veterinarian” responsible for the supervision of the Storage Centre you will be able to certify paragraph II.1.2 from your own knowledge and having receipt of an Owner’s Declaration. If you are **not** the “Centre Veterinarian” responsible for the supervision of the Storage Centre you will require a Veterinary Support Certificate from the “Centre Veterinarian” certifying that the germinal product meets the requirements of this paragraph as well as an Owner’s Declaration.

Paragraph II.2 – II.6

If you are the “Centre Veterinarian” responsible for the supervision of the Storage Centre you will be able to certify these paragraphs from your own knowledge and having receipt of an Owner’s Declaration. If you are **not** the “Centre Veterinarian” responsible for the supervision of the Storage Centre you will require a Veterinary Support Certificate from the “Centre Veterinarian” certifying that the germinal product meets the requirements of these paragraph as well as an Owner’s Declaration.

**II.2.1:**

* Retain whichever section(s) applies and strike out the others i.e
  + germinal product was collected in N. Ireland – 1st option
  + germinal product was collected in another EU member state – 2nd option
  + germinal product was collected in a Third Country – 3rd option
* Strike out Model certificates which do not apply to selected option(s) above.

**5. Notification by aPVP on TRACES of Completion and Signature / Amendment of the ITAHC**

In order to meet the requirement for notification of germplasm to other Member States, aPVPs must confirm completion and issue of the health certificate on the TRACES system **immediately following signature of the ITAHC BOV-GP-STORAGE- INTRA**.

**6. Cancellation or Changes to the Consignment Details Following Certification**

If the consignment is cancelled, its date/time of departure has changed significantly, a different vehicle is used, the aPVP must send a replacement TRACES message giving details of the changes.

**7. Retention of Support Documentation**

All support documentation should be retained for 2 years by the certifying aPVP. In addition a **TRUE** (i.e. carbon photo or scanned) copy of the completed export health certificate must be retained for 2 years.