

IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF SURINAME FOR SHEEP AND GOATS EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES

The animals must be accompanied by a U.S. Origin Health Certificate (VS Form 17-140), with attached declarations of the health requirement, issued by an accredited veterinarian authorized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and endorsed by a Veterinary Services (VS) veterinarian. The certificate must contain the name and address of the consignor and the consignee, and complete permanent identification (eartag, tattoo or iron brand) including number, breed, age, and sex of each animal to be exported.

CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS

1. All the animals originate from farms or states free from tuberculosis and brucellosis.
2. At the farms of origin, there have been no clinical cases of Maedi-Visna, caprine arthritis/encephalitis, and enzootic abortion of ewes during the 6 months prior to export.
3. At the farms of origin there have not been clinical cases of scrapie during the 2 years prior to export.
4. Within 2 weeks before shipment, all animals were tested for tuberculosis and brucellosis with negative results.
5. The animals were not vaccinated against tuberculosis.
6. Within 72 hours before shipment, the animals were treated with a broad-spectrum parasiticide against endo and ectoparasites.

TEST REQUIREMENTS

All animals must be tested with negative results as prescribed below within 2 weeks prior to shipment.

1. Tuberculosis: One negative intradermal test using bovine PPD tuberculin.
2. Brucellosis: One negative buffered acidified plate agglutination (BAPA) test or a negative complement fixation test, or any official USDA test.

EMBARKATION STATEMENTS

At the port of embarkation, a Veterinary Services port veterinarian shall attach to the Origin Health Certificate the Certificate of Inspection of Export Animals (VS Form 17-37) showing:

1. The name and address of the consignor.
2. The name and address of the consignee.
3. The number, sex and types of animals to be shipped.
4. A statement certifying that the animals for export were given a careful veterinary inspection at the port of embarkation and found them to be free from evidence of communicable disease and exposure thereto.

OTHER INFORMATION

Importers must comply with all conditions described in the import permit issued by the Department of Animal Production and Health, Veterinary Service of Suriname.