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U.S. ORIGIN HEALTH CERTIFICATE FOR THE
EXPORTATION OF BREEDING CATTLE TO EGYPT

Exporting Country: United States

Ministry (or Department): U.S. Department of Agriculture

Territorial Veterinary Service: _____
(State)

I. Animal Identification: See Attached Sheet

II. Name and Address of Exporter: _____

Place of Shipment: _____

III. Name and Address of the Owner: _____

Means of Conveyance: _____

IV. Name and Address of Importer: _____

V. Health Data

The undersigned official accredited veterinarian hereby certifies the following in relation to the animals described above.

1. The United States is free of foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest (cattle plague), contagious bovine pleuropneumonia, lumpy skin disease, Rift Valley fever, heartwater, and bovine spongiform encephalopathy.
2. The animals originate from a State which is considered to be officially free of brucellosis according to the infection rate as described by the Office of International Epizootics (OIE) Zoo Sanitary Codes. [See Special Note No. 1.]

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3. The animals originate from herds where they were born and raised and which are not under quarantine for brucellosis. Animals raised on farms other than where they were born, came from those farms not quarantined for brucellosis.
4. The animals originate from premises where there has been no clinical evidence of the following diseases for the last 12 months immediately prior to export: IBR/IPV, Johne's disease, Q fever, coccidiosis, listeriosis, leptospirosis, bovine babesiosis, coital exanthema, bluetongue and anaplasmosis.
5. The individual animals for export are free from clinical signs of ringworm, warts, scabies, and cowpox.
6. The herd of origin of the exported animals has been clinically free of bovine immunodeficiency virus for the last two years prior to export.
7. All the female animals in the shipment have been vaccinated for brucella strain 19 vaccine or RB51 and are so identified on the enclosed appendix.
8. The animals for export have been isolated from _____(date) to _____(date) from all other animals in establishments considered to be free from any communicable disease from the beginning of the testing until exportation except the first test for leukosis which was conducted prior to entering the isolation.
9. The animals originate from a herd that is free of bovine leukosis [See Special Note No.2.]
10. The animals originate from a State that has been clinically free of vesicular stomatitis and bluetongue for the last 12 months.
11. All the animals in the shipment have been vaccinated twice for IBR/IPV and BVD on _____ (date) with killed vaccine at least 20 days apart with the second vaccination being conducted within 45 days prior to export during isolation.
12. All the animals in the shipment have been vaccinated for clostridial diseases on _____(date) within 45 days prior to export during isolation.
13. All the animals have been treated with an effective product for fascioliasis on _____ (date) with _____ (name of product) within 45 days prior to shipment during isolation.

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VI. Test Requirements

[Note: the serologic tests are valid for 45 days and the TB test is valid for 60 days.]

1. Tuberculosis: Intradermal caudal fold test using bovine PPD tuberculin _____ (date)

2. Brucellosis:

*a. Vaccinated animals: Standard tube test (STT) at 1:50 dilution and complement fixation (CF) test at 1:10 dilution
_____ (date)

*b. Unvaccinated animals: STT at 1:25 dilution and CF test at 1:5 dilution
_____ (date)

*Delete that which is not applicable.

3. Trichomoniasis: Direct microscopic or culture examination of genital swabs
_____ (date)

4. Vibriosis: Direct microscopic or culture examination of genital swabs
_____ (date)

5. Leukosis: **Three agar-gel immunodiffusion tests or ELISA's
1st test _____ (date)
2nd test _____ (date)
3rd test _____ (date)

**The interval between the first and second tests must be 3-4 weeks. The interval between the second and third tests must be at least 90 days. The second and third tests must be conducted while the animals are in a biosecurity facility. [See Special Note No. 3.]

6. Vesicular Stomatitis: Serum neutralization test at a 1:32 dilution

7. Bluetongue: ELISA or AGID test

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VII. Other Considerations

1. Upon arrival in Egypt, the cattle will be vaccinated for foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, and Rift Valley fever.
2. The health certificate, or a copy thereof, must be visaed (legalized) by the Embassy of the Arab Republic of Egypt.
3. A visaed (legalized) copy of the U.S. Origin Health Certificate must be attached to the original if the original copy has not been visaed (legalized).
4. The animals will be maintained in post-entry quarantine for 33 days after arrival in Egypt. The imported animals will be retested for brucellosis, leukosis, and tuberculosis during the 33-day quarantine period.
5. The air or ocean carrier company will certify that the exporting conveyance carrying the animals destined for Egypt has not landed at a port, while in transit to Egypt, in a country whose general animal health disease status (e.g., see items 1 and 2 under Health Data) is inferior to that of the United States.

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of Issuing Accredited Veterinarian

Signature - Issuing Accredited Veterinarian

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Federal Veterinarian

(_____)_____
Date Endorsed and Signature - Endorsing
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Special Notes:

1. In order for a state to be considered free of brucellosis according to OIE Zoo Sanitary Codes, the herd infection rate must be 0.2 percent or less. According to the herd infection rate in the United States, all the states in the Union qualify for export of cattle to Egypt.
2. Egypt considers animals that have passed the leukosis testing requirement specified in this protocol to originate from a herd free of bovine leukosis.
3. After the first negative test for leukosis, the animals must be isolated in a biosecurity facility. This facility will be a farm where no other animals are present and which will be cleaned and disinfected prior to introduction of the animals for export. The facility must meet the following standards:
 - a) The entire facility will be fenced and the animals will have absolutely no contact with outside animals.
 - b) Traffic will be monitored and no unauthorized person will have access.
 - c) All attendants will change outer clothing and shoes before entering.
 - d) A footbath will be present at the entrance for footwear disinfection.
 - e) The animals will be sprayed periodically with an insecticide to control vector-borne diseases and ectoparasite infestation.
 - f) Two or three signs will be placed at the perimeter of the farm reading, "Animals Under Quarantine. Admission Strictly Prohibited."
 - g) The tires and bottoms of animal and feed trucks will be disinfected prior to the vehicles entering.
 - h) The facility will be monitored periodically by the USDA (as often as deemed necessary).

The second leukosis test should take place immediately after the animals (all negative on the first test) are moved to the biosecurity facility. Any animal found positive on the second test must be removed from the biosecurity facility at once. All animals remaining in the biosecurity facility must be found negative on the third test.

