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Import Requirements for Live Animals, Semen & Embryos

Male Animals:

If a sire or semen is imported the following documentation is required for each animal in advance of considering the eligibility of its progeny for registration.

1. Date of Importation.
2. Export Certificate from country of origin.
3. Five generation extended pedigree.
4. Parentage verification plus DNA profile of Sire & Dam
5. Certificate of freedom from genetic abnormalities
6. All imported animals to be tested to identify any of the following non-lethal genetic abnormalities Hypotrichosis, Dilutor, Idiopathic Epilepsy.
7. In the case of horned bulls a certificate giving clearance that there is no poll ancestry in eight generations.
8. Where a certificate of poll clearance to eight generations is not possible a certificate giving clearance of poll ancestry to six generations is required. Progeny in such instances will be marked with an (X).
9. A recording fee to upload the pedigree details to the database is required.

Imported Females:

If a female is imported the following documentation is required for each animal in advance of considering the eligibility of its progeny for registration.

The following documentation is required:

1. Date of importation
2. Export Certificate from country of origin
3. Five generation extended pedigree.
4. Parentage verification plus DNA profile of its sire & dam
5. Certificate of freedom from genetic abnormalities
6. All imported animals to be tested to identify any of the following non-lethal genetic abnormalities Hypotrichosis, Dilutor, Idiopathic Epilepsy.
7. In the case of horned females a certificate giving clearance that there is no poll ancestry in eight generations.
8. Where a certificate of poll clearance to eight generations is not possible a certificate giving clearance of poll ancestry to six generations is required. Progeny in such instances will be marked with an (X).
9. A recording fee to upload the pedigree details to the database is required.

Imported Embryos:

In addition to the above ancestry and DNA requirements for Sire and Donor Dam a Certificate of Embryo Recovery is required providing details of the Recovery Unit, the sire and donor dam, service dates, recovery dates and distribution of embryos from the flush, the ID numbers of those embryos imported and the date of importation. A recording fee applies to the uploading of the pedigree of the sire and donor dam.

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