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(i) Council Directive 90/675/EEC (as amended) requires that animal products or products of animal origin may be imported into the European Community from a non-EC country only through an approved border inspection post and undergo veterinary checks before being permitted entry to the Community. Importers must give at least one working day's advance notice, in writing, of the anticipated date of arrival of the consignment to the official veterinarian of the border inspection post through which the consignment is to be imported. This Directive has been implemented in Great Britain by the Products of Animal Origin (Import & Export) Regulations 1992. Importers are advised to familiarise themselves with the obligations the Regulations place on them. Information Note No. 1 (TIS/1) issued by the Minister summarises the rules. Copies of TIS/1 may be obtained on request, from the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Animal Health (International Trade) Division, Room 17/18, Block C, Hook Rise South, Tolworth, Surbiton, Surrey KT6 7NF.

(ii) On arrival at the border inspection post the health certificate must be presented to the veterinary inspection staff. The health certificate will be retained at the border inspection post and the veterinary inspection staff will provide a border crossing certificate confirming that the veterinary checks have been carried out and an authenticated copy of the original health certificate. Both documents must accompany the semen to its place of destination and should be retained for a minimum period of 12 months for presentation to the Ministry on request.

(iii) Any expressions used in this licence have the same meaning which they bear in the Animal Health and Welfare Act 1984.

(iv) This licence applies only to consignments of bovine semen collected and processed on or after 20th September 1991.

(v) *NB: This licence does not provide any exemption from the Artificial Insemination of Cattle (Animal Health) (England and Wales) Regulations 1985 or the Artificial Insemination of Cattle (Animal Health) (Scotland) Regulations 1985. (30 SI)