

risk) than the certification level, as determined by the Administrator, of the flock of the donor animal.

(e) The flock to which the sheep semen is transferred pursuant to paragraph (a)(2) of this section must be monitored for scrapie disease until the flock, and all first generation progeny resulting from the semen imported in accordance with this section, qualifies as a "Certified" flock.

(f) Except for sheep semen being placed in Certifiable Class C flocks, the certificate accompanying the sheep semen imported under paragraph (a) of this section must contain the following statement: "The semen identified on this certificate has been collected from a sire that has been monitored by a salaried veterinary officer of [*name of country of origin*], for [*number of months*], in the same source flock which had been determined by the Administrator, APHIS, prior to the exportation of the semen to the United States, to be equivalent to [*certification level*] of the Voluntary Scrapie Flock Certification Program authorized under 9 CFR part 54, subpart B."

(1) The Administrator will determine, based upon information supplied by the importer, whether the donor animal's flock participates in a program in the country of origin that is equivalent to the Voluntary Scrapie Flock Certification Program, and if so, at what level the source flock would be classified.

(2) In order for the Administrator to make a determination, the importer must supply the following information with the application for an import permit, no less than 1 month prior to the anticipated date of importation:

(i) The name, title, and address of a knowledgeable official in the veterinary services of the country of origin;

(ii) The details of scrapie control programs in the country of origin, including information on disease surveillance and border control activities and the length of time these activities have been in effect;

(iii) Any available information concerning additions, within the 5 years immediately preceding collection of the semen, to the flock of the semen donor;

(iv) Any available data concerning disease incidence, within the 5 years immediately preceding collection of the semen in the donor animal's flock, including, but not limited to, the results of diagnostic tests, especially histopathology tests, conducted on any animals in the flock;

(v) Information concerning the health, within the 5 years immediately preceding collection of the semen, of other ruminants, flocks, and herds with which the donor animal and the donor animal's flock might have had physical contact, and a description of the type and frequency of the physical contact; and

(vi) Any other information requested by the Administrator in specific cases as needed to make a determination.

(g) All first generation progeny resulting from semen imported under this section are subject to the requirements of 9 CFR part 54 and all other applicable regulations.

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PART 99—RULES OF PRACTICE GOVERNING PROCEEDINGS UNDER CERTAIN ACTS

Subpart A—General

Sec.

99.1 Scope and applicability of rules of practice.

Subpart B—Supplemental Rules of Practice

99.10 Stipulations.

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Subpart A—General**§ 99.1 Scope and applicability of rules of practice.**

The Uniform Rules of Practice for the Department of Agriculture promulgated in subpart H of part 1, subtitle A, title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, are the Rules of Practice applicable to adjudicatory, administrative proceedings under the following statutory provisions:

Act of May 29, 1884, commonly known as the Animal Industry Act, section 7, as amended (21 U.S.C. 117),

Act of August 30, 1890, section 6, as amended (21 U.S.C. 104),

Act of February 2, 1903, commonly known as the Cattle Contagious Diseases Act of 1903, section 3, as amended (21 U.S.C. 122),

Act of July 2, 1962, section 6(a), as amended (21 U.S.C. 134e),

Act of May 6, 1970, section 2, as amended (21 U.S.C. 135a).

In addition, the Supplemental Rules of Practice set forth in subpart B of this part shall be applicable to such proceedings.

Subpart B—Supplemental Rules of Practice**§ 99.10 Stipulations.**

(a) At any time prior to the issuance of a complaint seeking a civil penalty under any of the Acts listed in § 99.1, the Administrator, in his discretion, may enter into a stipulation with any person in which:

(1) The Administrator or the Administrator's delegate gives notice of an apparent violation of the applicable Act, or the regulations issued thereunder, by such person and affords such person an opportunity for a hearing regarding the matter as provided by such Act;

(2) Such person expressly waives hearing and agrees to pay a specified penalty within a designated time; and

(3) The Administrator agrees to accept the penalty in settlement of the particular matter involved if the penalty is paid within the designated time.

(b) If the penalty is not paid within the time designated in such a stipulation, the amount of the stipulated penalty shall not be relevant in any respect to the penalty which may be assessed after issuance of a complaint.

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