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ANNEX

Technical requirements and specifications for the marking of straws and other packages of germinal products of bovine, porcine, ovine, caprine and equine animals and operational requirements for their traceability, as referred to in Article 5

Part 1

Technical requirements and specifications for the marking of straws and other packages in which semen, oocytes and embryos are placed, stored and transported

1. The marking on the straws and other packages must be clearly legible and all information included in the marking must be distinctly printed or written.
2. The marking on the straws and other packages referred to in point 1, whether or not in the form of a code, must include the following information:
 - (a) the date of collection or production of the semen, oocytes or embryos expressed at least in one of the following formats: ddmmyy, yymmdd, dd/mm/yy, yy/mm/dd, dd.mm.yy, yy.mm.dd, or, provided the conditions of point 2 of Part 2 are fulfilled at all times, the number of days since a fixed date expressed in as a 5-digit code;
 - (b) the species of donor animal(s);
 - (c) the identification code(s) of donor animal(s) as defined in point (18) of Article 2 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/2035¹ or, in case of porcine animals, at least the unique registration number of the establishment of birth of donor animal as defined in point (15) of Article 2 of that Delegated Regulation, or, in the case of equine animals, the unique code as defined in point (17) of Article 2 of that Delegated Regulation;
 - (d) the unique approval number or unique registration number of the establishment of either collection or production, processing and storage of the semen, oocytes or embryos which must include the name or ISO 3166-1 alpha-2 code of the country of origin.
3. Where the species of donor animal(s) may be established based on either
 - (a) the unique approval number of the germinal product establishment of collection or production, processing and storage of the semen, oocytes or embryos, or the unique registration number of the establishment of collection, processing and storage of the semen of ovine and caprine animals, or
 - (b) the breed of donor animal(s),

¹ Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/2035 of 28 June 2019 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards rules for establishments keeping terrestrial animals and hatcheries, and the traceability of certain kept terrestrial animals and hatching eggs (OJ L 314, 5.12.2019, p. 115).

on which information is printed or written on the straw or other package, the species of donor animal(s) referred to in point 2(b) may be omitted in the marking referred to in point 1.

4. Where a single straw or another package contains either semen collected from more than one donor animal or embryos and there is not enough space on the straw or another package to print or write the identification of each donor animal, the codes or numbers referred to in point 2(c) may be presented in the form of a numeric code.
5. The marking on the straws and other packages referred to in point 1 may include any other relevant information (such as the name of donor animal(s), breed, an indication of sex of the sex-sorted semen or the individual identification number of the donor porcine animal(s)).
6. In the case of sex-sorted semen, when the semen was sex-sorted at a germinal product processing establishment, the marking on the straws and other packages referred to in point 1 must include the unique approval number of the germinal product processing establishment where it was sex-sorted.

Where there is not enough space on the straw or another package to print or write the unique approval number of the germinal product processing establishment, that unique approval number may be presented in the form of a numeric code.

7. All or parts of the information referred to in points 2 to 6 may be coded electronically on the straws or other packages.

Part 2

Operational requirements for the traceability of semen, oocytes or embryos

1. Each consignment of germinal products must be accompanied by specifications explaining marking printed or written on the straws and other packages in which semen, oocytes or embryos are placed.
2. The system for showing the date of collection or production of semen, oocytes or embryos referred to in point 2(a) of Part 1 must be indicated in the specifications referred to in point 1 of this Part.

Where the date is shown as the number of days since a fixed date expressed in as a 5-digit code, the fixed date must be specified.

3. Where the marking on a straw or other package includes any numeric code referred to in point 4 or in the second subparagraph of point 6 of Part 1, the specifications referred to in point 1 of this Part must include information explaining which information is coded.
4. Where the marking on a straw or other package includes any electronic code referred to in point 7 of Part 1, a reader which enables that electronic code to be decoded shall be made available by the operator responsible for the consignment of germinal products.