

CHAPTER 15.3.

TRANSMISSIBLE GASTROENTERITIS

Article 15.3.1.

General provisions

For the purposes of the *Terrestrial Code*, the *infective period* for transmissible gastroenteritis (TGE) shall be 40 days.

Standards for diagnostic tests are described in the *Terrestrial Manual*.

Article 15.3.2.

Recommendations for the importation of pigs for breeding or rearing

Veterinary Authorities of importing countries should require the presentation of an *international veterinary certificate* attesting that the *animals*:

- 1) showed no clinical sign of TGE on the day of shipment;

AND EITHER

- 2) come from an *establishment* in which no case of TGE was reported during the 12 months prior to shipment;

and

- 3) showed negative results to a diagnostic test for TGE during the 30 days prior to shipment, and were kept isolated during this period;

OR

- 4) come from a country in which TGE is officially notifiable and no clinical case has been recorded in the previous three years.

Article 15.3.3.

Recommendations for the importation of pigs for slaughter

Veterinary Authorities of importing countries should require the presentation of an *international veterinary certificate* attesting that the *animals*:

- 1) showed no clinical sign of TGE on the day of shipment;
- 2) come from an *establishment* in which no case of TGE was officially reported during the 40 days prior to shipment.

Article 15.3.4.

Recommendations for the importation of semen of pigs

Veterinary Authorities of importing countries should require the presentation of an *international veterinary certificate* attesting that:

- 1) the donor *animals* showed no clinical sign of TGE on the day of collection of the semen;

AND EITHER

- 2) the donor *animals* have been resident for at least 40 days on an *artificial insemination centre*, and all the pigs on this *artificial insemination centre* were free from clinical signs of TGE during the 12 months prior to collection;

and

- 3) for fresh semen, the donor *animals* were subjected to a diagnostic test for TGE with negative results during the 30 days prior to collection;
- 4) for frozen semen, the donor *animals* were subjected to a diagnostic test for TGE with negative results at least 14 days after collection;

OR

- 5) the donor *animals* have been resident since birth in a country in which TGE is officially notifiable and no clinical case has been recorded in the previous three years;

and in all situations:

- 6) the semen was collected, processed and stored in conformity with the provisions of Chapters 4.5. and 4.6.
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