

SCHEDULE 3

Duties of the centre veterinarian in EC collection centres

PART 4

Measures applicable to semen quarantine at an EC collection centre

1.—(1) Prior to the initial dispatch of semen from bovine animals identified as serologically positive for BVD/MD, the centre veterinarian must ensure that a semen sample from each bovine animal is subjected to a virus isolation or virus antigen ELISA test for the BVD/MD virus.

(2) In the event of a positive result, the centre veterinarian must ensure that the bovine animal is removed from the collection centre and its semen destroyed.

2. The centre veterinarian must ensure that frozen semen is kept in the semen quarantine facilities for at least 30 days before it leaves the centre.

3. The centre veterinarian must not allow any semen to leave the centre unless the premises where it was collected remain clear of—

- (a) foot and mouth disease; and
- (b) the bovine diseases listed in Annex E(I) to Directive [64/432/EEC](#),

for 30 days after collection or, in the case of fresh semen, until the date of dispatch of the semen.

4. With regard to a bovine animal that—

- (a) did not belong to a herd officially free of enzootic bovine leukosis in accordance with Directive [64/432/EEC](#); or
- (b) was produced by a dam which did not, after removal of the bovine animal from it, test negative to a test carried out in accordance with Annex D (Chapter II) to Directive [64/432/EEC](#),

the centre veterinarian must not allow its semen to leave the centre until the bovine animal has reached the age of two years and has tested negative for enzootic bovine leukosis, under a serological test carried out in accordance with the procedure described in Annex D (Chapter II) to Directive [64/432/EEC](#).

5. With regard to a bovine animal vaccinated against foot and mouth more than 30 days before, but within 12 months of, a collection, the centre veterinarian must not allow its semen to leave the centre unless 5% (with a minimum of five straws) of each collection have tested negative to a virus isolation test for foot and mouth disease.