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Wednesday, March 17, 2021

Dear Christina M. Steckley:

Your USDA Veterinary Permit to import and/or transport controlled materials, organisms, or vectors accompanies this cover letter.

Review this permit carefully, as the statements and language may have changed to reflect the requirements of newly published regulations.

Please note the following:

- USDA Veterinary Permits no longer require a signature. Use of the permit for importation of the described commodity(ies) is acknowledgement that the permittee is legally responsible for complying with the permit conditions.
- Review the import permit for errors. Should you identify any errors, please contact our office immediately
- A copy of the permit must accompany every shipment.

Do Not send the permit back to this office.

Contact our office with any questions or concerns at [apie@usda.gov](mailto:apie@usda.gov) or 301-851-3300, option 4.

Sincerely,

David J. Pasnik  
Senior Staff Veterinarian  
Animal Product Import and Export (APIE)

PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE [WWW.APHIS.USDA.GOV](http://WWW.APHIS.USDA.GOV) AND ENJOY OUR QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER WHICH HIGHLIGHTS THE IMPORT AND EXPORT STAFF CONTINUED EFFORTS TOWARD SAFEGUARDING U.S. AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK. THIS NEWSLETTER ALSO FEATURES

CURRENT TRENDS SHAPING APHIS/APIE AND THE IMPORT PERMIT PROCESS.

HAVE A SHIPMENT ON-HOLD? PLEASE VISIT OUR REVAMPED ON-HOLD SHIPMENT WEBSITE FOR FURTHER GUIDANCE [On Hold](#) - Shipment Notification Application (for Animal Products and By-Products)

**UNITED STATES VETERINARY PERMIT FOR IMPORTATION  
AND TRANSPORTATION OF CONTROLLED MATERIALS AND  
ORGANISMS AND VECTORS**

PERMIT NUMBER  
49861  
Research

DATE ISSUED  
04/04/2021

DATE EXPIRES  
04/04/2022

NAME AND ADDRESS OF SHIPPER(S)

Various shippers within...  
countries considered by USDA APHIS to be FREE of African  
horse sickness (AHS)

CC:  
Service Center, CA (Sacramento,  
CA)

NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERMITTEE INCLUDING ZIP CODE AND TELEPHONE NUMBER

Christina M. Steckley  
University of California, Davis  
Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital  
1 Garrod Drive, Room 1033  
Davis, California 95616  
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U.S. PORT(S) OF ARRIVAL  
AS APPLICABLE

MODE OF TRANSPORTATION ANY

AS REQUESTED IN YOUR APPLICATION, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO IMPORT OR TRANSPORT THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS

Samples of serum, whole blood, and/or CSF (equine origin)

**RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS FOR TRANSPORTING AND HANDLING MATERIALS AND ALL DERIVATIVES**

THIS PERMIT IS ISSUED UNDER AUTHORITY CONTAINED IN 9 CFR CHAPTER 1, PARTS 94, 95 AND 122. THE AUTHORIZED MATERIALS OR THEIR DERIVATIVES SHALL BE USED ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS SPECIFIED BELOW (ALTERATIONS OF RESTRICTIONS CAN BE MADE ONLY WHEN AUTHORIZED BY USDA, APHIS, VS).

- o Adequate safety precautions shall be maintained during shipment and handling to prevent dissemination of disease.**
- o** With the use of this permit I, Christina M. Steckley, Permittee, acknowledge that the regulated material(s) will be imported/transported within the United States in accordance with the terms and conditions as are specified in the permit. The Permittee is the legal importer/recipient [as applicable] of regulated article(s) and is responsible for complying with the permit conditions. The Permittee must be at least 18 years of age and have and maintain an address in the United States that is specified on the permit; or if another legal entity, maintain an address or business office in the United States with a designated individual for service of process; and serve as the contact for the purpose of communications associated with the import, transit, or transport of the regulated article(s). **\*\*Note:** Import/Permit requirements are subject to change at any time during the duration of this permit.

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TO EXPEDITE CLEARANCES AT THE PORT OF ENTRY, BILL OF LADING, AIRBILL OR OTHER DOCUMENTS ACCOMPANYING THE SHIPMENT SHALL BEAR THE PERMIT NUMBER

SIGNATURE David Pasnik



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APHIS Veterinary Services

NO. LABELS

RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS: (continued from Permit Form VS 16-6)

- \*\*\*Each shipment shall be accompanied by an ORIGINAL signed document from the producer/manufacturer: 1) confirming that the exported materials are samples of serum, whole blood, and/or CSF derived from horses not known to be or suspected of having been exposed to or infected with any specific animal pathogen; 2) confirming that the exported materials were derived from equine species that originated in countries considered by USDA APHIS to be free of African horse sickness (AHS) [see AHS affected region list below; signed document must state specific countries of equine species origin]; and 3) confirming that the exported materials were not exposed to any other animal origin material. [This certification must CLEARLY correspond to the shipment by means of an invoice number or shipping marks or lot number or other identification method. An English translation must be provided.]
- No material may be imported from or through the following countries/regions which are considered by USDA APHIS to be affected with African horse sickness (AHS) disease: Malaysia, Thailand, Oman, the Yemen Arab Republic, and all regions on the continent of Africa (except Morocco).
- This permit does NOT authorize the import of samples from animals suspected of infection with any foreign animal disease agent (including, but not limited to, African horse sickness (AHS), equine infectious anemia (EIA), glanders, dourine, equine piroplasmiasis, equine herpesvirus, contagious equine metritis (CEM), Venezuelan equine encephalitis) or work with these disease agents or diagnostic samples.
- This permit DOES NOT authorize direct or indirect exposure of or inoculation into domestic or laboratory livestock (including but not limited to: birds/poultry/eggs, cattle, sheep, goats, swine, and/or horses). Work with materials and/or their derivatives shall be limited to *in vitro* uses only.
- COMMERCIAL DISTRIBUTION OF THE IMPORTED MATERIALS AND/OR THEIR DERIVATIVES IS PROHIBITED.
- Packaging, containers, and all equipment in contact with these materials shall be sterilized or considered a biohazard and be disposed of accordingly.
- THIS PERMIT IS VALID ONLY FOR WORK CONDUCTED OR DIRECTED BY YOU OR YOUR DESIGNEE IN YOUR PRESENT U.S. FACILITY OR APPROPRIATELY INSPECTED LABORATORY. THE AUTHORIZED IMPORTED MATERIAL(S) MUST BE SHIPPED/CONSIGNEE DIRECTLY TO THE ADDRESS OF THE PERMITTEE OR TO THE ADDRESS OF THE ADDITIONAL PERMITTEE(S) AS IDENTIFIED ON THIS PERMIT. (MATERIALS AND/OR THEIR DERIVATIVES SHALL NOT BE MOVED TO ANOTHER U.S. LOCATION, OR DISTRIBUTED WITHIN THE U.S., WITHOUT USDA, APHIS VETERINARY SERVICES AUTHORIZATION.)

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RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS: (continued from Permit Form VS 16-6)

- On completion of your work, all permitted materials and all derivatives therefrom shall be destroyed.
  - The restrictions on this permit remain in force as long as the material is in the United States.
  - This permit does not exempt the permittee from responsibility for compliance with any other applicable federal, state, or local laws and regulations.
  - Any person who VIOLATES the terms and conditions of permits, and/or who forge, counterfeit, or deface permits may be subject to criminal and civil penalties in accordance with applicable law. In addition, all current permits may be cancelled and future permit applications denied.
  - A copy of this permit must be included with the shipping documents. For imported materials, these documents must be presented to CBP Agricultural Specialists upon arrival at the U.S. port of arrival.
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