



Extraction and handling of semen samples (straws) for DNA analysis

Sample extraction must be done by qualified technical personnel by following these instructions:

1. Semen extraction must be done in a centre of sperm collection or storage officially recognized by Council Directive 2003/43/CE of 26 May 2003 and the Royal Decree 841/2011 of 17 June.

2. The semen packaged in a straw must be clearly identified and in optimal conditions for shipping.

3. The straw must be perfectly packaged to avoid breaking during transport.

4. Samples do not require refrigeration but they must be sent to the laboratory as soon as possible.

5. A duly completed analysis application must be attached to samples.

6. In shipments with many samples, an Excel file (provided by the laboratory) with the sample data, must be e-mailed.

