

## **NASSA POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

### **Procedures for Registering Offspring of Artificial Insemination**

#### **Semen Importation**

1. Semen imported from the UK must be collected from SSBG (now SSS) or Shetland Flock Book Trust (SFB) registered rams.
2. The importing party must provide to the NASSA Registrar a letter from the owner of the ram certifying that the ram was taken to the collection center for semen collection for the importation.
3. The importing party must provide to the NASSA Registrar a letter from the collecting veterinarian at the collection center certifying that the ram was collected and the semen was shipped to the importing party.
4. A copy of the SSBG (SSS) or Shetland Flock Book Trust (SFB) registration and pedigree of the ram is to be provided to the NASSA registrar by the importing party.
5. It is not required that the importing party be a NASSA member.
6. If imported semen is sold by the importing party to a NASSA member for use in artificial insemination, the importing party must provide the NASSA member with a letter certifying the sale.

#### **Registration of AI offspring from imported semen**

1. Any NASSA member residing in the United States registering offspring artificially bred from imported semen must be actively registered in the Voluntary Scrapie Flock Certification Program and must provide proof of this to the NASSA Registrar. There are no scrapie program restrictions on NASSA members residing in Canada.
2. Any NASSA member registering offspring artificially bred from imported semen must provide a letter from the technician performing the AI certifying that each specific ewe was bred with semen from each specific ram, and on what date they were bred.
3. Any NASSA member registering offspring artificially bred from imported semen purchased from a third party must provide a letter to the NASSA Registrar from the seller of the semen certifying the sale.

#### **Sale of AI offspring from imported semen and transfer of registrations**

1. Any NASSA member residing in the United States purchasing NASSA registered sheep which are offspring of imported semen (F1) must be actively registered in the Voluntary Scrapie Flock Certification Program and must provide the NASSA Registrar with proof of this before registrations of AI offspring from imported semen can be transferred.
2. There are no scrapie program restrictions on the sale of offspring of imported semen (F1) from the United States to NASSA members residing in Canada.

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3. There are no scrapie program restrictions on the sale of offspring of imported semen (F1) from NASSA members residing in Canada to other NASSA members residing in Canada.

#### **North American Semen Collection**

1. Semen collected in North America must be collected from NASSA registered rams.
2. The collecting party must provide to the NASSA Registrar a letter from the owner of the ram certifying that the ram was taken to the collection center for semen collection for the importation.
3. The collecting party must provide to the NASSA Registrar a letter from the collecting veterinarian at the collection center certifying that the ram was collected.
4. If semen collected in North America is sold by the collecting party to a NASSA member for use in artificial insemination, the selling party must provide the NASSA member with a letter certifying the sale.

#### **Registration of AI Offspring from Semen Collected in North America**

1. Any NASSA member registering offspring artificially bred from semen collected in North America must provide a letter from the technician performing the AI certifying that each specific ewe was bred with semen from each specific ram, and on what date they were bred.
2. Any NASSA member registering offspring artificially bred from semen collected in North America purchased from a third party must provide a letter to the NASSA Registrar from the seller of the semen certifying the sale.