

6. EMBRYO TRANSFER

Objective: Embryo transfer services are provided in a manner that is safe for animals, team members and the public.

Canadian Embryo Transfer Association - states that the Canadian Food Inspection Agency which has jurisdiction over import and export of embryos and semen, requires CETA/ACTE Certification as part of their approval process. Practitioners must be approved by CFIA in order to collect and freeze embryos for export. Not required when working provincially or interprovincially.

 Equipment and supplies for the performance of embryo transfer are available and properly maintained. Expectation is that sterile equipment is used. Safety protocols are in place regarding handling of dangerous products, such as liquid nitrogen. Embryo recovery, transfer, freezing and micromanipulations are performed in a clean and suitable environment. In addition to the requirement of meeting the Essential 		
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Standards – Medical Records, pertinent information must be documented regarding record of donor identification, sire identification, recovery date, embryo quality, embryo grade, embryo stage, recipient identification and transfer date.		
 There are written embryo transfer protocols for donor and recipient(s) that includes dates, drugs, lot number, withdrawal times and procedural timetables. 		