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### Artificial Insemination Kit Instructions for Using the ICSB Artificial Insemination Kit

- 1. Clean the insemination rod in mild soapy water. Rinse the rod thoroughly with distilled water.
- 2. Let the rod dry completely. DO NOT use the rod with water still inside of it as the water kills semen.
- 3. Connect the rod to the syringe. Rinse the rod with normal saline.
- 4. Draw the semen into the syringe, making sure that no air bubbles are in the semen.
- 5. Have the bitch's hindquarters on an elevated surface.
- $\Rightarrow$  We recommend having an assistant hold the bitch so that she cannot move during the insemination.
- $\Rightarrow$  Have the assistant grasp the bitch's back legs at the hock to help keep the bitch in position.
- 6. Clean the bitch's perineal area and lubricate the rod.
- 7. Gently insert your index finger into the vaginal canal to the brim of the pelvis.
- 8. Gently guide the rod alongside your finger.
- 9. Tip up both your finger and the rod, pulling the posterior vagina almost vertical, allowing a straight insertion to the cervical opening.
- 10. Once the cervical opening is reached, you will feel resistance.
- $\Rightarrow$  NEVER USE FORCE TO INSERT THE INSEMINATION ROD! The vaginal wall could be pierced and peritonitis could result!
- 11. Withdraw the rod about <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-inch and gently deposit the semen.

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