Ref: CTO 2015 075 [G] Zoo: African Hunting Dogs

CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of zoo African hunting dogs

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Vicki Melville, manager Animal Imports, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for zoo African hunting dogs to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the applicable import health standard for the importation of zoo African hunting dogs (zooahdic.all):

Clause 5 of the veterinary certificate-B requires that the container was fastened with an official seal bearing the number or mark.

This CTO direction allows that the seal number was not recorded as the animal's identification is confirmed by microchip verification.

This change is justified on the basis that the requirement for seals was put in place before microchip verification was required. Risk Analysis has stated that they do not consider that seals are required for biosecurity reasons, and seals are not required for any other imported animals.

This direction takes effect from the date of signing and continues in effect until amended or revoked.

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