



Ref: CTO 2016 002 [G]

Insects on Sticky Traps: Importation into Transitional Facility for Further Processing

CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the direction of non-viable insects on sticky traps for further processing

Replaces CTO direction(s): CTO 2015 037[G]

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Marnie Thomas, Manager Animal Imports, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for non-viable insects on sticky traps to be given direction in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the applicable import health standard for the importation into New Zealand of nonviable animal specimens from all countries (INESPEIC.ALL):

Under clauses 6.5 and 6.6 of INESPEIC.ALL, non-viable invertebrates may be imported into New Zealand without an import permit if the invertebrates are:

- Dried and free of visible, viable pests; OR have been treated pre-export by fumigation with methyl bromide; OR must be treated by fumigation with methyl bromide at the port of entry, at the importer's expense [clause 6.5];
OR
- Preserved in liquid formalin, alcohol or embedded in amber, resin or similar solid coating [clause 6.6].

After assessing risk analysis advice, it has been deemed that the biosecurity risk associated with importing insect and plant material contained on sticky traps would be effectively mitigated if they are brought into a transitional facility approved to, and operating under, MPI Standard 154.02.17 (Transitional Facilities for Biological Products) and processed to meet the eligibility criteria in clause 6.6 of INESPEIC.ALL. The processing requirements are that:

- i. The insects shall be removed from the traps and either
 - a) Preserved in alcohol or formalin; OR
 - b) Embedded in a solid coating
- ii. The sticky trap, plant and unwanted animal matter shall be treated in accordance with the approved transitional facility manual.

The reason for directing clearance is that the biosecurity risks associated with this CTO direction have been assessed and are managed effectively.

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