



For Your Information

Effective from 22 December 2025

1 Purpose

- (1) This information document has been issued to accompany the OMAR and associated export certificate for this country and commodity.

2 Issues identified

Clause Implicated	Description of issue identified	Interim measure
Section IV of the zoosanitary certificate	Risk analysis work undertaken for an upcoming update to the IHS for dogs and cats coming into New Zealand has resulted in the need to clarify the country status for <i>Brucella canis</i> with importing countries that require specific attestations for this disease.	If you are planning an export with this OMAR, please contact the MPI Animal Exports team as soon as possible to discuss the implication of the requirements as soon as possible.

Contact for further information

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Overseas Market Access Requirements Notification - Animal Products Act 1999

Regulation & Assurance Branch, Animal & Animal Products Directorate, Ministry for Primary Industries

Ref: AE-NI-09

Date: 9 February 2017

PETANI.NI 17 FEBRUARY 2017 – DOGS AND CATS TO NIUE

1. Statutory authority

Pursuant to section 60, section 60A, section 62(1) and section 167 of the Animal Products Act 1999 I notify the following:

- (i) the issue under section 60 of the overseas market access requirements for dogs and cats to Niue PETANI.NI dated 17 February 2017;
- (ii) the revocation and replacement of the overseas market access requirements for dogs to Niue PETANI.NI dated 31 August 2016;
- (iii) the determination under section 62(1) of the format and content of the official assurance for dogs and cats to Niue.

This notice takes effect from the 17th of February 2017.

Dated at Wellington this 10th day of February 2017.

Signed: Howard Pharo
Manager Import and Export Animals
Animal and Animal Products Directorate
Regulation & Assurance Branch
(acting under delegated authority)

2. Niue requirements

Dogs and cats exported from New Zealand to Niue must be accompanied by an official assurance in the form of a completed zoosanitary certificate.

The zoosanitary certificate as specified below must be completed and certified, after due enquiry, by an Official Veterinarian of the Ministry for Primary Industries.

Explanatory note:

If the zoosanitary certificate is not certified then the dogs and cats do not satisfy the conditions in the notice. Likewise, if the dogs and cats do not satisfy the zoosanitary requirements in the certificate, then the certificate will not be certified.



Certificate No:

NEW ZEALAND MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATE

Commodity: DOGS AND CATS

To: NIUE

Exporting Country: NEW ZEALAND

Competent Authority: MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

Import Permit Number:

I: IDENTIFICATION OF ANIMALS

Species	Breed and Description (including colour)	Sex	Age	Microchip

II: ORIGIN OF ANIMALS

Name and address of exporter:
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Name and address of owner:
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III: DESTINATION OF ANIMALS

Name and address of importer:
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Means of transport:

IV: SANITARY INFORMATION

VETERINARY CERTIFICATE

I....., being an Official Veterinarian authorised by the New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries, certify:

1. After due enquiry I have no reason to doubt the truth of the attached owner's/ exporter's declaration.
2. No bedding of cereal or animal origin accompanies the animal.
3. During the five (5) years immediately preceding the exportation of the animal, rabies has not been diagnosed in New Zealand.
4. Canine brucellosis (*Brucella canis*) and indigenous cases of, and established populations of competent vectors for, canine ehrlichiosis (*Ehrlichia canis*), have not been confirmed in New Zealand during the twelve (12) months prior to export.
5. Within three (3) days of departure I examined the animal, confirmed identity by description and microchip, and found the animal to be free from all ectoparasites and clinical signs of disease.
6. The animal will be placed in a cage that meets IATA standards.
7. The cage will be fastened with an official seal bearing the number or mark:
8. IN THE CASE OF DOGS:

- 8.1 The dog has been fully vaccinated against canine distemper, hepatitis, and parvovirus according to the manufacturer's recommendations.

Dates of vaccination:

- 8.2 The dog was at least seventeen (17) weeks of age at the time of the parvovirus vaccination.

- 8.3 Within thirty (30) days of the scheduled date of shipment, the dog has been treated for Leptospirosis with doxycycline at 5 mg/kg for fourteen (14) consecutive days.

Dates of treatment:

- 8.4 Within twenty-one (21) days of the scheduled date of shipment, the dog was treated with praziquantel at a dose rate of five (5) mg/kg body weight.

Date of treatment:

- 8.5 Within four (4) days of the scheduled date of shipment, the dog was treated with an anthelmintic for intestinal parasites using either pyrantel pamoate or fenbendazole at recommended dose rates.

Date of treatment:

Active ingredient and dosage used:

- 8.6 Within four (4) days of the scheduled date of shipment, the dog was treated with a topical treatment or spray capable of killing ticks, lice and fleas.

Date of treatment:

Active ingredient and dosage used:

9. IN THE CASE OF CATS:

9.1 The cat has been vaccinated against feline enteritis (panleucopenia) virus, feline rhinotracheitis and feline calicivirus at least one (1) month and not more than twelve (12) months prior to export.

Dates of vaccination:

9.2 The cat was at least three (3) months of age at the time of the above vaccinations.

9.3 The cat was treated with an anthelmintic effective against roundworms, hookworms, whipworms and tapeworms within three (3) days of export.

Dates of treatment:

9.4 The cat was treated with an ectoparasite effective against external parasites within three (3) days of departure.

Dates of treatment:

.....
Signature of Official Veterinarian

Official Stamp and Date

Ministry for Primary Industries

.....
Name of Official Veterinarian and Address

Note: The Official Veterinarian must sign, date and stamp each page of the veterinary certificate using a different colour ink to the paper and the print, and, where applicable, sign, date and stamp each page of the documents that form part of the extended health certification.

V: DECLARATION BY EXPORTER OF CATS */ DOGS BEING CONSIGNED TO NIUE

I, _____(BLOCK LETTERS, the owner
*/ exporter of the cat */ dog described as follows:

Breed: _____

Sex: _____

Age: _____

Description (including colour):_____

Declare that:

(a) During the 30 day period immediately preceding the date of export the cat */ dog has been free from symptoms of disease and has not been in contact with any animal displaying symptoms of disease;

(b)The cat */ dog has resided in the country of embarkation for at least six months prior to export, or since birth if less than six months of age;

(c)The cat */ dog will be at least four months of age on the date of export.

SIGNATURE; _____
(Owner */ Exporter)

DATE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

* Delete whichever is not applicable

NOTE: A separate declaration must be completed for each animal being exported.

EXPORT CERTIFICATION
(This is not part of the official certification)

COMMODITY: DOGS AND CATS

COUNTRY: NIUE

NOTES: This export certificate is based on the conditions for the importation of cats and dogs from New Zealand to Niue. It was approved by the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Niue on 8 February 2017.

1. An import permit is required from the department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Niue.
2. A separate owner's/ exporter's declaration must be completed for each animal being exported.
3. The following breeds (including crosses of these breeds) are not eligible for export to Niue: American Pit Bull Terrier, Dogo Argentino, Japanese Tosa, and Brazilian Fila.
4. Any animal imported into Niue in contravention of any conditions of the Import Permit will be seized and may be destroyed or re-exported at the owner's expense.
5. If you are planning on returning to New Zealand with your pet in the future, please contact the animal imports group at MPI to obtain information on importing pets back in New Zealand. We strongly suggest that this is done before your pet is exported from New Zealand as not every country can meet the New Zealand import conditions, and so you may not be able to import your pet back into New Zealand. The imports group can be contacted by phone: 04 894 0304 or email animalimports@mpi.govt.nz

Section 61A Animal Products Act 1999 states that 'The Crown is not liable, and nor is the Director-General or any employee of the Ministry liable, for any loss arising through the refusal or failure of the relevant authority of an overseas market to admit export animal material or animal product to that market'.