



# Import Health Standard

## Processed Animal Manure Products

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## **TITLE**

Import Health Standard: Processed Animal Manure Products

## **COMMENCEMENT**

This Import Health Standard comes into force on [Effective Date]

## **ISSUING AUTHORITY**

This Import Health Standard is issued under section 24A of the Biosecurity Act 1993.

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## Introduction

This introduction is not part of the Import Health Standard, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

## Purpose

This Import Health Standard (IHS) specifies the minimum requirements that must be met when importing into New Zealand mushroom growing medium containing horse and chicken manure and manufactured by Walkro International B.V. at its production plant in Blitterswijck, the Netherlands.

## Background

The Biosecurity Act 1993 (the Act) provides the legal basis for excluding, eradicating and effectively managing pests and unwanted organisms.

Import health standards issued under the Act set out requirements to be met to effectively manage biosecurity risks associated with importing goods. They include requirements that must be met in the exporting country, during transit, and during importation, before biosecurity clearance can be given.

A guidance document accompanies this IHS providing information on how the requirements may be met.

## Who should read this Import Health Standard?

This IHS applies to importers of mushroom growing medium containing horse and chicken manure and manufactured by Walkro International B.V. at its production plant in Blitterswijck, the Netherlands.

## Why is this important?

It is the importer's responsibility to ensure the requirements of this IHS are met. Consignments that do not comply with the requirements of this IHS may not be cleared for entry into New Zealand and/or further information may be sought from importers. Consignments that do not comply with the requirements of this IHS may be re-shipped or destroyed under the Act or treated in accordance with this IHS prior to release or equivalence determined. Importers are liable for all associated expenses.

*See guidance document for more information about importer responsibilities.*

## Equivalence

The Chief Technical Officer (CTO) may approve measures under section 27(1)(d) of the Act, different from those set out in this IHS, that may be applied to effectively manage risks associated with the importation of these goods. If an equivalent measure is approved an import permit may be issued under section 24D(2) of the Act, if the Director-General considers it appropriate to do so.

*See guidance document for more information about equivalence.*

## Document History

Refer to Schedule 1.

## Other information

This is not an exhaustive list of compliance requirements and it is the importer's responsibility to be familiar with and comply with all New Zealand laws.

- Importers of mushroom growing medium containing horse and chicken manure will also need to comply with the requirements in the *Import Health Standard: Phase 3 Mushroom Growing Medium* (MPI.IHS.PHASE3). (The link to this document will be added when available.)
- Importers of mushroom growing medium containing horse and chicken manure inoculated with viable microorganisms (such as mushroom spawn) will also need to comply with the requirements in the [\*Import Health Standard for Microorganisms from All Countries \(MICROIC.ALL\)\*](#).

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## Part 1: Requirements

### 1.1 Application

- (1) This IHS applies to all importers of mushroom growing medium containing horse and chicken manure for import from European Union countries into New Zealand.

### 1.2 The outcome this IHS is seeking to achieve

- (1) The outcome this IHS is seeking to achieve is the effective management of biosecurity risks associated with eligible consignments of mushroom growing medium containing horse and chicken manure.

### 1.3 Incorporation by reference

- (1) The following European Union legislation are incorporated by reference in this IHS under section 142M of the Act:

- a) EU Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009, available at: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1480996077695&uri=CELEX:32009R1069>
- b) Commission Regulation (EU) No 142/2011, available at: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1480996194116&uri=CELEX:32011R0142>
- c) EU Council Directive 2009/156/EC, available at: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1480996269231&uri=CELEX:32009L0156>

- (2) Under section 142O(3) of the Act it is declared that section 142O(1) does not apply, that is, a notice under section 142O(2) of the Act is not required to be published before material that amends or replaces the above listed standards, guideline or lists has legal effect as part of this IHS.

*See guidance document for more information about incorporation by reference and section 142O(1).*

### 1.4 Definitions

- (1) For the purposes of this IHS, terms used that are defined in the Act have the meanings set out there. The Act is available at the following website: [www.legislation.govt.nz](http://www.legislation.govt.nz).
- (2) See Schedule 2 for additional definitions that apply.

### 1.5 Facility and processing requirements

- (1) All mushroom growing medium containing horse and chicken manure must have been processed at a production plant that:
  - a) is approved by the Competent Authority of the exporting country as a composting plant as defined in European Union Regulation (EC) 1069/2009; and
  - b) manufactures the product in accordance with the requirements in Annex XI of the European Union Commission Regulation (EU) No. 142/2011; and
  - c) does not source the horse manure from an area subject to animal health restrictions in accordance with Article 4(5) of European Union Council Directive 2009/156/EC; and
  - d) is approved by MPI as meeting paras (a) – (c) above and listed in Part 2, clause 2 of this IHS.

- (2) The production plant must be audited at least annually for compliance with the above regulations, and there must not be any outstanding non-compliances at the time of exporting the product to New Zealand. The audit must be carried out by the Competent Authority of the exporting country.

## 1.6 Packaging and transport requirements

- (1) The consignment must be clearly identified as mushroom growing medium containing horse and chicken manure and the identifier must be stated on the veterinary certificate required by clause 1.8 to accompany the goods.
- (2) The final packaging of all consignments of the product for export to New Zealand must be:
  - a) Strong enough to securely contain the mushroom growing medium within it;
  - b) Clean on the exterior and free from organic matter and other contaminants.
- (3) After composting to 80°C for no less than 72 hours and prior to the final packaging, the mushroom growing medium containing horse and chicken manure may be transferred to other parts of the production plant or to other production sites as long as processes are in place to ensure the product does not become contaminated by further ingredients of animal origin.

## 1.7 Import permit

- (1) An import permit under section 24D of the Act is required if a CTO has approved an equivalent measure prior to import under section 27(1)(d) of the Act that is different from those in this IHS that may be applied to effectively manage risks.

*See guidance document for more information on equivalence and import permit requirements.*

## 1.8 The documentation that must accompany goods

- (1) The consignment must arrive in New Zealand with the following documentation.
  - a) A veterinary certificate that must include the following:
    - i) A unique consignment identifier.
    - ii) The description, source species, and amount of product.
    - iii) The name and address of the importer (consignee) and exporter (consignor).
    - iv) The name, signature, and contact details of the Official Veterinarian.
    - v) Certification and endorsement by the Official Veterinarian that the Requirements and the General Processing Requirements outlined in Parts 1 and 2, respectively, of this IHS have been met.

*See guidance document for more information about equivalence and country-specific veterinary certificate.*

- (2) All documents must:
  - a) Be original, unless otherwise stated.
  - b) Accompany the imported goods.
  - c) Be in English or have an English translation that is clear and legible.
  - d) Be endorsed on every page by the Official Veterinarian with their original stamp, signature and date or be endorsed in the space allocated and all pages have paper based alternative security features.

## Part 2: General processing requirements

- (1) The Official Veterinarian of the exporting country is required to issue a signed, stamped and dated veterinary certificate containing declarations regarding the following:
  - a) The animal manure in the product is sourced from horse and chicken only.
  - b) The horse manure in the product is not sourced from an area subject to animal health restrictions in accordance with Article 4(5) of European Union Council Directive 2009/156/EC.
  - c) During the first phase of production, the animal manure has been composted in enclosed concrete compartments for a period of no less than five days. During this phase of production the animal manure in the product has been composted at a temperature of 80°C, as measured by a sensor placed within the compost near the top of the pile, for no less than 72 hours.
- (2) The approved production plant is:
  - a) Walkro International B.V., Veerweg 11, 5863 AR, Blitterswijck, The Netherlands.

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## Schedule 2 – Definitions

### Biosecurity Clearance

A clearance under section 26 of the Act for the entry of goods into New Zealand.

### Chicken

A bird belonging to the species *Gallus gallus*.

### Competent Authority

The Veterinary or other Governmental Authority of an OIE Member, that has the responsibility and competence for ensuring or supervising the implementation of animal health and welfare measures, international veterinary certification and other standards and recommendations in the *Code* in the whole territory.

### CTO Direction

Chief Technical Officer (CTO) Direction - equivalent measures recorded by number under section 27(1)d(iii) of the Act, to enable border staff to clear the goods and record the number in the MPI database.

### Director-General

The Chief Executive of the Ministry for Primary Industries.

### Horse

For the purposes of this IHS a horse is any animal species belonging to the family of Equidae.

### Import permit

A permit issued by the Director General of MPI pursuant to section 24D(2) of the Act.

### Inspector

A person who is appointed an inspector under section 103 of the Act.

### Manure

Animal excrement. For the purpose this IHS the manure may contain horse urine, chicken feathers, horse hair, spilled feed material, litter and bedding material.

### MPI

Ministry for Primary Industries, New Zealand.

### Mushroom growing medium

Plant and animal materials that have been composted for the purpose of converting the raw materials into a product suitable for growing mushroom.

### Official Veterinarian

A veterinarian authorised by the Competent Authority of the country to perform certain designated official tasks associated with animal health and/or public health and inspections of commodities and, when appropriate, to certify in conformity with the provisions of the OIE Code Chapter for certification procedures.

### Import permit

A permit issued by the Director General of MPI pursuant to section 24D(2) of the Act.

### **Veterinary Certificate**

A certificate, issued in conformity with the provisions of the *Code Chapter Model Veterinary Certificates for International Trade in Live Animals, Hatching Eggs, and Products of Animal Origin* for certification procedures, describing the animal health and/or public health requirements which are fulfilled by the exported commodities.

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