



# Guidance Document

## Processed Animal Manure Products

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Guidance Document: Processed Animal Manure Products

## About this document

This guidance document contains information about acceptable ways of ensuring compliance with the requirements in the Import Health Standard (IHS): Processed Animal Manure Products.

Any guidance on how to comply with the applicable requirements may not be the only way to achieve compliance. Stakeholders are encouraged to discuss departures from the approaches outlined in this guidance document with the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) to avoid expending resources on the development of alternative approaches which may later be considered unsuitable.

The term “must” is not typically used in guidance. In this particular document if the term “must” is used, it is used in the context of quoting or paraphrasing the requirements set out in the related *IHS: Processed Animal Manure Products*.

## Related Requirements

*Import Health Standard: Processed Animal Manure Products*

## Document history

Refer to Appendix 1

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# 1 Purpose

- (1) This guidance document has been issued to accompany the *IHS: Processed Animal Manure Products*. This guidance document should be read in conjunction with that IHS.
- (2) This document includes a model veterinary certificate.

# 2 Background

- (1) The *IHS: Processed Animal Manure Products*, which this guidance document accompanies, contains specific import requirements for mushroom growing medium containing horse and chicken manure manufactured by Walkro International B.V., at its plant in Blitterswijk, the Netherlands. These are the rules to manage the biosecurity risk of importing mushroom growing medium containing horse and chicken manure that can meet the requirements of the IHS and in doing so meet New Zealand's appropriate level of protection. This guidance document contains a model veterinary certificate for trade in mushroom growing medium containing horse and chicken manure.
- (2) General information about importing animal products can be found here: [www.mpi.govt.nz/importing](http://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing).

# 3 Definitions

- (1) Refer to Schedule 2 of the *IHS: Processed Animal Manure Products*.

# 4 Importer Responsibilities

- (1) The costs to MPI in performing functions relating to the importation of products containing processed animal manure will be recovered in accordance with the Biosecurity Act 1993 (the Act) and any regulations made under that Act. All costs involved with documentation, transport, storage and obtaining a biosecurity clearance must be covered by the importer or agent.
- (2) Consignments that do not comply with the requirements of the IHS may be re-shipped, rendered or destroyed using an MPI-approved destruction method.
- (3) 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.
  - a) 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.*)
  - b) 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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## 5.1 Equivalence

- (1) MPI may accept an alternative method, system or process that can be shown to achieve the biosecurity requirements of the IHS (i.e. equivalence).
- (2) MPI's preference is that the exporting country's Competent Authority makes equivalence requests. Equivalence requests can be lodged with [animalimports@mpi.govt.nz](mailto:animalimports@mpi.govt.nz).

- (3) An import permit is not required to import products containing processed animal manure into New Zealand if the requirements of the IHS are met.
- (4) A permit may be required where specific equivalence measures are approved by MPI. An import permit serves as evidence of equivalence decisions and will be written as specific notes in the special conditions section of the permit.
- (5) Import permit application form can be found on the MPI website at: [Animal Products Permit Application](#).
- (6) Completed applications are lodged with [animalimports@mpi.govt.nz](mailto:animalimports@mpi.govt.nz).

## 5.2 Incorporation of material by reference

- (1) Incorporation by reference means that standards, guidelines or lists are incorporated into the IHS and they form part of the requirements. This is done because technical documents are too large or impractical to include in the IHS.
- (2) Where the IHS states that section 1420(1) of the Act does not apply, this means that importers need to refer to the most recent version of any standards, guidelines or lists that are incorporated by reference in the IHS.

## 5.3 Harmonised system (HS) codes

- (1) The harmonised system is an international product numbering classification developed by the World Customs Organisation (WCO). The New Zealand harmonised system is found here: [www.stats.govt.nz/methods/classifications-and-standards/classification-related-stats-standards/harmonised-system-2012.aspx](http://www.stats.govt.nz/methods/classifications-and-standards/classification-related-stats-standards/harmonised-system-2012.aspx)
- (2) Mushroom growing medium containing horse and chicken manure imported using this IHS will be under the following HS Code:

HS Code	Commodity Description
31.01.00	Animal or vegetable fertilisers, whether or not mixed together or chemically treated; fertilisers produced by the mixing or chemical treatment of animal or vegetable products

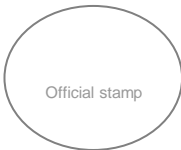
## 5.4 Inspection and verification

- (1) On arrival, all documentation accompanying the consignment will be verified by an inspector. The inspector may also inspect the consignment, or a sample of the consignment on arrival.
- (2) Inspectors are able to inspect and verify due to their authorised powers under the Act.
- (3) These requirements are independent of the IHS requirements.

## 6 Model veterinary certificate

- (1) Below is a model veterinary certificate for trade in mushroom growing medium containing horse and chicken manure. This model meets the requirements of the *IHS: Processed Animal Manure Products*.
- (2) This model veterinary certificate format is based on the *Code Chapter 5.10 titled Model Veterinary Certificates for International Trade in Live Animal, Hatching Eggs, and Products of Animal Origin*.

<b>Country:</b>			
<b>Part 1: Details of dispatched consignment</b>	1.1. Consignor (Exporter): Name: Address:	1.2. Certificate reference number:	
		1.3. Competent Authority:	
	1.4. Consignee (Importer): Name: Address:		
	1.5. Country of origin:	1.6. Zone or compartment of origin:	
	1.7. Country of destination: New Zealand	1.8. Zone or compartment of destination:	
	1.9. Place of origin: Name: Address:		
	1.10. Place of shipment:	1.11. Date of departure:	
	1.12. Means of transport: <input type="checkbox"/> Aeroplane <input type="checkbox"/> Ship	1.13. Expected border post:	
	Identification:	1.14. CITES permit No(s):	
	1.15. Description of commodity: Mushroom Growing Medium Containing Horse and Chicken Manure	1.16. Commodity Code (HS Code): 31.01.00	
		1.17. Total number of:	
	1.18. Temperature of commodities for transport:	1.19. Total number of packages:	
	1.20. Identification of container/serial number:	1.21. Type of packaging:	
	1.22. Identification of commodity: Animal species product derived from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Horse <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chicken	Approval number of establishment:  Net weight::	Lot ID/Date code:

Part 2: Veterinary information	<b>Country:</b>	2.a. Certificate reference number:
	I, ....., the undersigned Official Veterinarian, certify that the mushroom growing medium containing horse and chicken manure satisfies the following requirements:	
<b>Eligibility</b>		
(1) The animal manure in this product is sourced only from horse and chicken.		
(2) The horse manure in this 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.		
(3) The first phase of composting of the product was completed at the production plant Walkro International B.V., Veerweg 11, 5863 AR, Blitterswijk, The Netherlands.		
<b>Production plant requirements</b>		
(4) The production plant is approved by the Competent Authority as a composting plant as defined in European Union Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009.		
(5) The production plant manufactured the product in accordance with the requirements in Annex XI of the European Union, Commission Regulation (EU) No 142/2011.		
(6) The production plant was audited by the Competent Authority during the last year, and there are no outstanding non-compliances at the time of manufacture of the product for export to New Zealand.		
<b>Processing requirements</b>		
(7) During the first phase of production, the animal manure in this product was 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 was 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.		
(8) No contamination by ingredients of animal origin has occurred to the product after the first phase of composting.		
<b>Packaging and requirements</b>		
(9) The packaging in the consignment is strong enough to securely contain the product within it, and its exterior is clean and free from organic matter and other contaminants at the time of its export.		
<b>Official Veterinarian</b>		
Name (in capital letters):		Signature:
Address:		Date:
Email:		

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