



Ref: CTO 2015 090 [G]

Petfood: Pelleted Petfood

CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of pelleted petfood

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 direction for pelleted petfood to be given clearance in accordance with the assessment of equivalence to the Import Health Standard for the *Import Health Standard for Shelf-Stable Petfoods Containing Animal Products (PETFODIC.ALL; 3 November 2014)*:

The nature of the non-compliance is that petfood manufactured by the process of pelleting cannot be imported under Clauses 7.4, 7.5 and 7.6 of the above import health standard. These clauses require petfood to be cooked by baking, or cooked during the process of extrusion.

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

All pelleted petfood will be assessed individually and the equivalence decision recorded on applicable import permits.

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