

IMPORT HEALTH STANDARD FOR THE IMPORTATION OF FROZEN HORSE SPLEENS FOR FURTHER PROCESSING INTO NEW ZEALAND FROM CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Issued pursuant to Section 22 of the Biosecurity Act 1993

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1. IMPORT HEALTH STANDARD

Pursuant to section 22 of the Biosecurity Act 1993, this document is the import health standard for the importation of frozen horse spleens for further processing into New Zealand from Canada and the United States of America.

2. PERMIT TO IMPORT

2.1 A permit to import is not required for the importation of frozen horse spleens for further processing into New Zealand from Canada and the United States of America.

2.2 Authorisation, in the form of biosecurity clearance, will be given at the border after verification that the conditions within this import health standard have been met by the importer.

3. INFORMATION TO BE SUPPLIED BY IMPORTER

The importer shall supply the following information:

3.1 name and address of exporter;

3.2 name and address of manufacturer;

3.3 description and type of product;

3.4 official number of premises (for meat/meat by-products).

4. REVIEW OF IMPORT HEALTH STANDARD

The import health standard may be reviewed and amended if there are changes in New Zealand's import policy, or the animal health status of the originating country, or for any other reason, at the discretion of the Chief Veterinary Officer.

5. DOCUMENTATION ACCOMPANYING THE CONSIGNMENT

A copy of the import health standard, together with all the required information and ORIGINAL certification, which must be in English, must accompany the consignment to New Zealand.

6. IMPORTER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- 6.1 All costs associated with the importation, which include testing, treatment, transport, servicing and veterinary certification must be borne by the importer.
- 6.2 Once the consignment has been cleared for entry, it is the importer's responsibility to ensure that the consignment complies with requirements under the Meat Act (1981). A set of guidelines outlining these responsibilities may be obtained from:

Animals Imports and Exports
P O Box 2526
Ministry of Agriculture & Forestry
WELLINGTON

7. ELIGIBILITY FOR IMPORTATION

Products intended for pharmaceutical manufacture must be labelled as "Inedible - Not For Human Consumption - For Pharmaceutical Use Only" or equivalent.

8. HEALTH CERTIFICATION

Each consignment must be accompanied by a certificate issued by an official government veterinary officer which states that:

- 8.1 The products originate from a government licensed slaughtering establishment which operates under government veterinary supervision.
- 8.2 The products are derived from animals which passed ante-mortem and post-mortem veterinary inspection at the time of slaughter.

9. BIOSECURITY CLEARANCE

A Biosecurity Clearance will be issued provided the documentation is in order.

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