



CTO Direction

Additional measures for containers exported from Italy between 23 December 2017 and 28 February 2018

CTO direction code for recording in Quantum: CTO Plants: 20170039

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Paul Hallett, give the following directions for additional requirements to be added to the Import Health Standard for Sea Containers (SEACO). This CTO direction requires that all sea containers exported from Italy between 23 December 2017 and 28 February 2018 are treated onshore or offshore with the following treatment specifications:

- Sulfuryl fluoride fumigation at 16 g/m³ for 12 hours at 10°C or greater with a 50% end point reading with a maximum post-treatment storage period of 96 hours.
 - Heat treatment at 60°C for 10 minutes for items weighing less than 3,000 kg.
or
 - Heat treatment at 60°C for 20 minutes for items weighing more than 3,000 kg.
 - Methyl bromide fumigation at 40 g/m³ for 24 hours at 15-21°C)
or
 - Methyl bromide fumigation at 48 g/m³ for 24 hours at 10-15°C.
or
 - For fresh produce only Methyl bromide fumigation at 48 g/m³ for 2 hours at 10-15°C
1. This direction takes effect from 23 December 2017 and remains in effect until 28 February unless amended or revoked.
 2. Offshore treatment must take place not more than 120 hours before shipping from the port of export. Onshore treatment must be done at the port of arrival within 48 hours.
 3. All other relevant sections of SEACO Import Health Standard must be complied with.
 4. All sea containers exported from Italy that commenced shipping before 23 December 2017 are subject to this requirement.
 5. Note that Sulfuryl fluoride is not available in NZ, and methyl bromide is not available in Italy.

Exclusions:

1. Shipping containers containing only treated vehicles and machinery from Italy will be exempt of this requirement as the BMSB risk is managed by VEHICLE.ALL requirements.
2. Reefer containers containing frozen goods are excluded from these treatment requirements.

Paul Hallett
Deputy Chief Technical Officer, Plant, Food & Environment Directorate

Date:

22/12/2017