



Dogs and Cats to Norfolk Island (OMAR)

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TITLE

Animal Products Notice: Dogs and Cats to Norfolk Island (OMAR)

COMMENCEMENT

This Animal Products Notice comes into force on 22 June 2020

REVOCATION

This Animal Products Notice revokes and replaces:

- PETANI.NF 11 June 2018 – DOGS AND CATS TO NORFOLK ISLAND, dated 11 June 2018.

ISSUING AUTHORITY

This Animal Products Notice is issued under sections 167(1) and 60(1) of the Animal Products Act 1999.

Dated at Wellington, 16 June 2020.

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Introduction

This introduction is not part of the Animal Products Notice, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to set out the zoosanitary requirements necessary to export compliant dogs and cats from New Zealand to Norfolk Island.

Background

The Animal Products Act 1999 provides the controls and mechanisms needed to give and to safeguard official assurances or zoosanitary certificates to facilitate the entry of animal material including live animals, hatching eggs, semen and embryos, and products into overseas markets.

Notices issued as Overseas Market Access Requirements (OMARs) under section 60(1)(a) and (b) of the Animal Products Act specify the requirements that are necessary or desirable for the purpose of facilitating access to overseas markets or are in accordance with the requirements of the relevant authority of the importing country.

OMARs may also determine the form and content of the official assurances that can be issued for animal material or product, including live animals, hatching eggs, semen or embryos, which meet the specified requirements.

Where the OMAR determines the form and content of the official assurances, a separate export certificate template is available to authorised persons, recognised persons and registered exporters who have applied for access to the certificate templates, to facilitate the completion and issuing of the relevant official assurance. That template will be an amendable version of the form set in the OMAR.

Notices issued under section 60(1)(c) of the Animal Products Act to safeguard the assurances provided by New Zealand, and guidance in the form of Operational Codes, should be read in conjunction with this Notice.

This OMAR specifies the requirements that must be met by exporters of dogs and cats to be exported from New Zealand to Norfolk Island and determines the form and content of the official assurance that must accompany the dogs and cats to be exported. The OMAR was issued after consultation with industry and the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment, Australia. It is based on the previous OMAR: *PETANI.NF 11 JUNE 2018 – DOGS AND CATS TO NORFOLK ISLAND*.

Who should read this Animal Products Notice?

Exporters of dogs and cats to Norfolk Island.

Why is this important?

This Notice is important because it sets out the requirements that need to be met so that the Director-General of the New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) can certify that the dogs and cats meet the requirements for export to Norfolk Island which New Zealand, in consultation with the government of Australia, has determined will apply. It should be noted that although the dogs and cats may comply with these requirements and be given an official assurance (by way of a certificate), the importing country ultimately retains control over what dogs and cats it clears for entry.

Document History

Version Date	Section Changed	Change(s) Description
22 June 2020	All sections	New OMAR format. New Official Assurance format.

Other information

Export non-conformances

Exporters should note that, under section 51 of the Animal Products Act 1999, where they have exported animal material or products, including live animals, hatching eggs, semen and embryos, that are refused entry by the foreign government they have a statutory duty to notify the Director-General of MPI not later than 24 hours after they have first knowledge of the event.

Liability

Section 61A of the Animal Products Act 1999 states that:

The Crown is not liable, and nor is the Director-General or any employee of the Ministry liable, for any loss arising through the refusal or failure of the relevant authority of an overseas market to admit export animal material or animal product to that market.

Related documents

OMAR documents can be downloaded from <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/law-and-policy/requirements/omars-overseas-market-access-requirements/omars-live-animals-semen-embryos-organics/>

When you click on the + symbol on the right-hand side of any OMAR document, you can view the related information and documents (guidance document and export certificate template).

The export certificate for this OMAR is provided for in *Dogs and Cats to Norfolk Island (Export Certificate)*. The export certificate is password-protected.

Part 1: Requirements

1.1 Application

- (1) This Notice applies to the export of dogs and cats from New Zealand to Norfolk Island.
- (2) In accordance with the Australian Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999, dogs and cats derived from a domestic/non domestic hybrid are not eligible for import. For dogs, this includes Czechoslovakian wolfdog or Czechoslovakian Vlcak, Saarloos wolfdog or Saarloos wolfhound, Lupo Italiano or Italian wolfdog and Kunming wolfdog or Kunming dog. For cats, this includes the Savannah cat - domestic cat (*Felis catus*) crossed with serval cat (*Felis serval*), Safari cat - domestic cat crossed with Geoffroy cat (*Oncifelis geoffroyi*), Chausie - domestic cat crossed with Jungle cat (*Felis chaus*) and Bengal cat - domestic cat crossed with Asian leopard cat (*Prionailurus bengalensis*). In certain circumstances the Department of the Environment and Energy may permit the import of Bengal cats that are five generations or more removed from their wild ancestor.
- (3) The following pure breeds cannot be imported: Pit Bull Terrier or American Pit Bull, Japanese Tosa, Fila Brasileiro, Dogo Argentino, Perro de Presa Canario or Presa Canario.

1.2 Definitions

- (1) In this Notice, unless the context otherwise requires:
 - Act** means the Animal Products Act 1999.
 - IFAT** means indirect fluorescent antibody test.
 - MAT** means microscopic agglutination test.
- (2) A term used in this Notice that is defined in the Act or the following Notices (or their successors) has the meaning given to it in the Act or that Notice:
 - a) [Animal Products Notice: Official Assurances Specifications for Animal Material and Animal Products.](#)
 - b) [Animal Products Notice: Specifications for Laboratories](#)

1.3 Requirements for export

- (1) Dogs and cats exported from New Zealand to Norfolk Island must be accompanied by an official assurance in the form of a zoosanitary certificate, a sample version of which is included in Part 2.
- (2) A zoosanitary certificate must be completed and issued by an authorised person.
- (3) A separate zoosanitary certificate is required for each animal.
- (4) In order to issue a zoosanitary certificate, the authorised person must be satisfied that:
 - a) For dogs that require *Ehrlichia canis* and *Leishmania infantum* testing, the tests must be done only after the dog has been resident in New Zealand for a minimum of 21 days. The testing remains valid only if the dog is continuously resident in New Zealand from the sampling date until export to Australia.
 - b) Samples for *Ehrlichia canis* and *Leishmania infantum* testing must be sent to the Animal Health Laboratory.
 - c) For dogs that have previously resided in mainland Africa, the imidocarb treatment was either certified as being administered by an Official Veterinarian for the purposes of importation into New Zealand or was administered by a registered veterinarian in New Zealand. Where the dog

- was not treated in New Zealand, a copy of the certification of the treatment as in clause 5.4 must be endorsed (signed and dated) by a MPI Official Veterinarian and attached to this certificate
- d) Parasite treatment must be effective against internal (effective against nematodes and cestodes) and external parasites (that kills ticks and fleas on contact) using drugs registered for that purpose in New Zealand.
 - e) The proposed shipment otherwise meets the requirements of this Notice.

1.4 Specific requirements for the zoosanitary certificate

Table 1.4A

Clause in zoosanitary certificate	Type of testing	Condition on test
6.2	<i>Leptospira interrogans serovar icterohaemorrhagiae</i>	Must use a microscopic agglutination test (MAT)
6.3.1	<i>Ehrlichia canis</i>	Must use an indirect fluorescent antibody test (IFAT)
6.3.2	<i>Leishmania infantum</i>	Must use either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An indirect fluorescent antibody test (IFAT) or, • An enzyme linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA).

1.5 Laboratories

- (1) Where this Notice requires laboratory testing to be undertaken the testing must be done in laboratories operating in accordance with the Recognised Laboratory Programme (RLP) unless otherwise stated.

Part 2: Zoosanitary Certificate

NEW ZEALAND MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

Certificate Number NZL2020/SAMPLE/0000

SANITARY CERTIFICATE FOR DOGS AND CATS TO NORFOLK ISLAND

Name and address of consignor: <LICENCE> <consignor-name> <consignor-address> <consignor-city> <consignor-state> <consignor-country>	Exporting Country: New Zealand Competent Authority: Ministry for Primary Industries Animal Premises of Origin: <owner-address> <owner-city> <owner-postcode> <owner-country>		
Name and address of consignee: <consignee-name> <consignee-address> <consignee-city> <consignee-postcode> <consignee-country>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Means of Transport: <mode and flight number></td> <td style="width: 50%;">Date of Export: <dd/mm/yyyy></td> </tr> </table>	Means of Transport: <mode and flight number>	Date of Export: <dd/mm/yyyy>
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Item	Species	Breed / Colour	Sex	Date of birth	Microchip No
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Name: Item 1 <name>	
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The conditions, as stated below, apply to the live animals described herein at the time of export from New Zealand.

I, the undersigned Ministry for Primary Industries Official Veterinarian hereby certify that the animal listed above is unconditionally eligible for export to Norfolk Island.

1.1 New Zealand is free from Rabies and no indigenously acquired cases of canine heartworm have been confirmed during the twelve (12) months prior to export.

1.2 Canine brucellosis (*Brucella canis*), leptospirosis (*Leptosprira canicola*) and indigenous cases of, and established populations of competent vectors for canine ehrlichiosis (*Ehrlichia canis*) and leishmaniasis have not been confirmed in New Zealand during the twelve (12) months prior to export.

2.1 The animal has been continuously resident in New Zealand since birth or for at least ninety (90) days, immediately prior to scheduled date of export and is not currently under any quarantine restrictions.

3.1 The animal will be at least twelve (12) weeks old at the time of export.

3.2 The animal will not be more than 40 days pregnant, nor lactating, at the time of export.

3.3 The animal is not a hybrid with a non-domesticated species nor one of the following pure dog breeds: Pit Bull Terrier, American Pit Bull, Japanese Tosa, Fila Brasileiro, Dogo Argentino, Perro de Presa Canario or Presa Canario.

4.1 Within five (5) days of the scheduled date of shipment, the animal was treated with a registered broadspectrum product that has been approved by the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment; and is effective against endoparasites (including cestodes) and ectoparasites (including ticks and fleas on contact).

Internal parasite date of treatment: <dd/mm/yyyy>

Active ingredient(s) and dose rate: <active ingredient, dose>

External parasite date of treatment: <dd/mm/yyyy>

Active ingredient(s) and dose rate: <active ingredient, dose>

5. Within five (5) days of the scheduled date of shipment the animal was examined and found to be free from clinical signs of infectious or contagious disease and free from external parasites and fit to travel.

6. IN THE CASE OF DOG:

6.1 The dog has been fully vaccinated according to manufacturer's directions against canine distemper, canine parvovirus and infectious canine hepatitis virus which is valid at time of export.

Date(s) of vaccination: <dd/mm/yyyy>

Vaccine Manufacturer: <manufacturer name>

6.2 The dog has been tested, with a negative result, for *Leptospira interrogans serovar icterohaemorrhagiae* (*L. icterohaemorrhagiae*) using a microscopic agglutination test (MAT) on a blood sample collected within fourteen (14) days prior to the date of export.

Dates of sample collection: <dd/mm/yyyy>

6.3 In the case of the dog which has not been continuously resident in New Zealand since birth, or since importation from Australia, has undergone the following testing after residing in New Zealand for at least 21 days:

6.3.1 The dog tested negative (at 1:40) to an indirect fluorescent antibody test (IFAT) for *Ehrlichia canis*

Date of sample collection: <dd/mm/yyyy>

6.3.2 The dog tested negative to an indirect fluorescent antibody test (IFAT) or an enzyme linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) for *Leishmania infantum*

Date of sample collection: <dd/mm/yyyy>

Test used: <IFAT or ELISA>

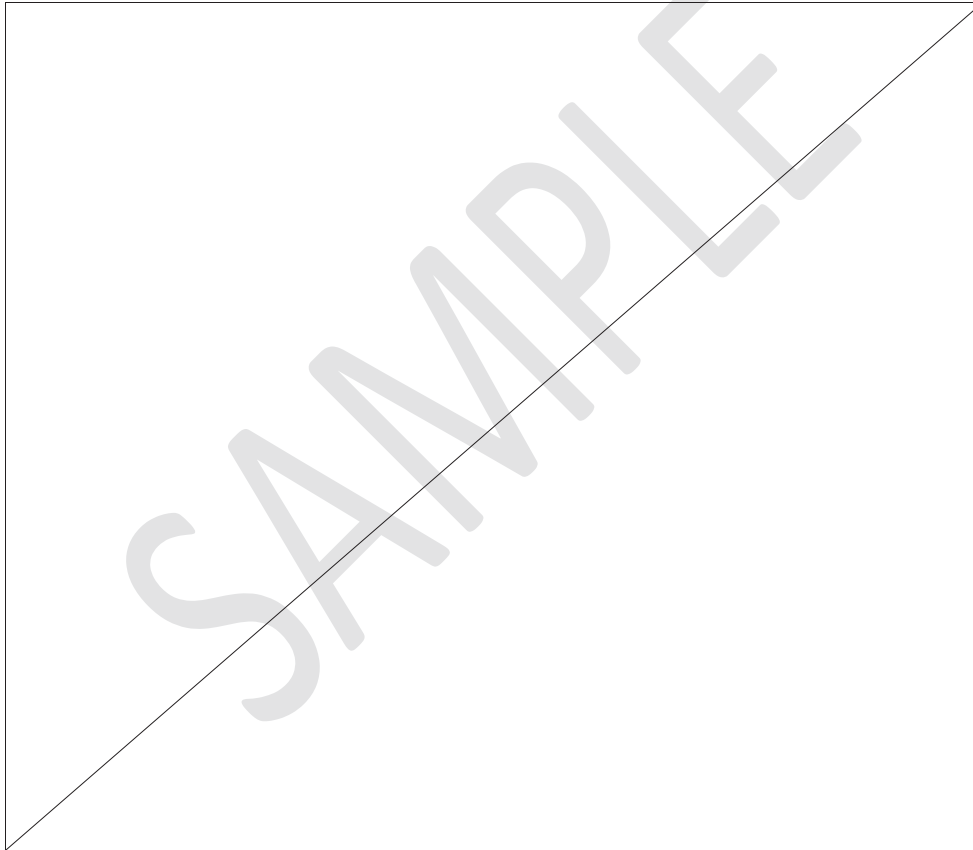
6.4 In the case of the dog that may have ever resided in mainland Africa, the dog has been treated for *Babesia canis* with imidocarb dipropionate with either one treatment at 7.5mg/kg bodyweight or two treatments at 6mg/kg bodyweight at an interval of two (2) weeks

7. IN THE CASE OF CAT:

7.1 The cat has been fully vaccinated according to manufacturer's instructions against feline enteritis at least 14 days prior to export and vaccination is valid at time of export.

Date of vaccination: <dd/mm/yyyy>

Vaccine manufacturer: <manufacturer name>



Done at

Seal

Signature of official veterinarian, New Zealand Government

On

Name, title and qualifications