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Cats & Dogs: Seals on Crates

**CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of cats and dogs.**

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Cathy Dyer, Senior Adviser, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for cats and dogs to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the Import Health Standard for Cats and Dogs (CATDOG.GEN) clause 26:

Equivalence is given for the requirement for seals on crates provided the animal's identification is confirmed by microchip verification.

This change is justified on the basis that the requirement for seals was put in place before microchip verification was required. Risk Analysis has stated that they do not consider that seals are required for biosecurity reasons, and seals are not required for any other imported animals.

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

Signed at Wellington this 12th day of November, 2013.

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