Ref: CTO 2014 020 [1]

Dog: Rabies Titre Test Outside of IHS Timeframe

CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of a dog from South Africa: Permit to Import Number: 2014052255

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Marnie Thomas, Manager Animal Imports, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for a dog from South Africa to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the applicable import health standard [Import Health Standard Cats and Dogs: CATDOG.GEN]:

Equivalence is given for the rabies titre test sample to have been collected three days less than the required three months prior to shipment to New Zealand. This is due to the dog spending 10 days in post-arrival quarantine.

This measure will mitigate the risk of introducing rabies to New Zealand.

The South African Competent Authority will be informed of the non-compliant export certification and that future occurrences may result in reshipment.

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