



Ref: CTO 2014 023[G]

Pet Food: Pet Treats and Pig Ear Chews

CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of pet treats and pig ear chews

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Vicki Melville, Manager Animal Imports, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for pet treats and pig ear chews to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the *Import Health Standard for Shelf-Stable Petfoods Containing Animal Products (PETFODIC.ALL;1 May 2007)*:

The nature of the non-compliance with the requirements in the applicable health standard is that the dried pig ear chews do not comply with Clause 7.7.3, while Vitapet Healthy Natural Roo Bars, Yours Drooly Kangaroo Chorizo, Vitapet Semi-moist Chicken & Beef Treats, and Vitapet Healthy Natural Beef Fillets do not comply with the requirements in Clause 7.6 .

The reason for directing clearance is that the biosecurity risks associated with this CTO direction have been assessed and will be effectively managed provided the consignments are supported by an original Manufacturer's Declaration certifying treatments as described below:

DRIED PIG EAR CHEWS

Manufacturer's Declaration must state that the product has been cooked to a core temperature of 90°C for 20 hours, then cooked again for 5 hours at 105°C.

VITAPET HEALTHY NATURAL ROO BARS & YOURS DROOLY KANGAROO CHORIZO

Manufacturer's Declaration must state that the products have been cooked to a core temperature of 120°C for at least 20 hours.

VITAPET SEMI MOIST CHICKEN & BEEF TREATS

Manufacturer's Declaration must state that the products have been heated to at least 120°C for a minimum of 2 hours.

VITAPET HEALTHY NATURAL BEEF FILLETS

Manufacturer's Declaration must state that the product has been cooked to a core temperature of 100°C for at least 12 hours.