Ministry for Primary Industries





Ref: CTO 2014 035 [G]

Roe: Commercially Packaged Roe

CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of roe commercially packaged for direct retail sale.

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 commercially packaged roe to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the applicable *Import* Health Standard for the Importation into New Zealand of Fish Eggs/Roe for Human Consumption from the European Community [FISROEIC.EEC; 24 September 2004]:

Clause 5: Eligibility

- Clause 5.1 is amended to: The fish eggs/roe must be commercially packaged for direct retail sale, derived from a species that is not salmon or sturgeon.
- Clause 5.2 is deleted.

Clause 6: Documentation Accompanying the Consignment

The requirement for documentation is deleted.

Part D: Zoosanitary Certification

The zoosanitary certification requirement is deleted.

The reason for directing clearance is that the biosecurity risks associated with this CTO direction have been assessed and are managed effectively. Recent analysis concluded that risks associated with roe are mitigated if they are commercially packaged for direct retail sale.

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