



Ref: CTO 2019 016 [1]

Cat: Internal and External Parasite Treatments

CTO direction as to equivalent measures in relation to internal and external parasite treatments for a cat from Norfolk Island

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Lucy Johnston, Manager Animal Imports, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for a cat with microchip number, 981 000 300 711 361 to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the applicable *Import Health Standard: Cats and Dogs [CATDOG.GEN]*:

Equivalence is given to the following clauses in the IHS (external and internal parasites):

2.2 (1) *The cat or dog was treated by a veterinarian twice with a topical product registered for the control of ticks and fleas at the manufacturer's recommended dose and certified as free from external parasites at each treatment:*

(a) *The first treatment was given in the 30 days prior to the date of shipment and at least two weeks before the second treatment.*

(b) *The second treatment was given in the two days prior to the date of shipment.*

2.3 (1) *The animal has been treated twice with a product (or combination of products) registered for the control of nematodes and cestodes at the manufacturer's recommended dose:*

(a) *The first treatment was given in the 30 days prior to the date of shipment and at least two weeks before the second treatment.*

(b) *The second treatment was given in the four days prior to the date of shipment.*

This equivalence allows the cat to receive the second parasite treatments, given at least 12 days apart, in post-arrival quarantine.

The cat will be inspected for external parasites pre- and post-arrival in New Zealand and will have received two internal and external parasite treatments at least 12 days apart prior to biosecurity clearance being given in New Zealand.

The reason for directing clearance is that the biosecurity risks associated with this CTO direction have been assessed and are managed effectively.

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