MPI Animal Exports Team are aware of issues with these particular Overseas Market Access Requirements (OMARS), however exports may be possible.

If you are planning an export with one of these OMARS please contact MPI Animal Exports team to discuss the implications of the requirements as soon as possible.

Overseas Market Access Requirements Notification - Animal Products Act 1999 – MAF Biosecurity New Zealand

Ref: AE-FR-45L Date: 15 June 2010

OMAR B ZOOCAREC.FRA 15.06.10 – for NON-DOMESTIC CARNIVORES from NEW ZEALAND to FRANCE

1. Statutory authority

Pursuant to section 60 of the Animal Products Act 1999:

(i) I notify the following overseas market access requirements, entitled non-domestic carnivores to France.

This notice takes effect from date of signing.

Dated at Wellington this 25th day of November 2010.

Signed: Matthew Stone BVSc MACVSc MVS (Epidemiology) Group Manager Animal Imports and Exports Border Standards Directorate MAF Biosecurity New Zealand (pursuant to delegated authority)

2. France requirements

Non-domestic carnivores exported from New Zealand to France must comply with the import requirements of France listed in this notice as follows:

2.1 A CITES Export Permit (if applicable) is required for the exportation of non-domestic carnivores from New Zealand to France.

2.2 An Official Veterinarian authorised by the New Zealand Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry must certify, after due enquiry, the following:

2.2.1 Each animal for export has been continuously resident in the premises of origin for at least one hundred and twenty (120) days prior to certification.

2.2.2 The premise of origin is under veterinary supervision, where the health of the animal(s) is monitored daily so that incursions of disease are identified, and control and/or eradication measures can be applied. The cause of any morbidity or mortality is determined before the group to which the affected animal belongs is released from quarantine. A health monitoring program should include microbiological and parasitological tests and necropsies.

2.2.3 The exported animals meet one of the requirements listed below for rabies:

2.2.3.1 Were previously unvaccinated and:

2.2.3.1.1 A sample was taken for a neutralising antibody titration test for rabies, performed at an approved laboratory, which returned a negative result. On the same day the animals were vaccinated with an inactivated rabies vaccine conforming to the WHO requirements of at least 1 IU. Date of sampling and vaccination. Name and address of laboratory. Name and batch number of vaccine

2.2.3.1.2 Thirty (30) days after the initial sampling and vaccination another sample was taken for a neutralising antibody titration test for rabies, performed at an approved laboratory, which returned a result of at least 0.5 IU/ml. Date of second sampling. Name and address of laboratory. Result of second test

2.2.3.1.3 The animals will depart at least one hundred and twenty (120) days after the first sampling and vaccination. Schedule date of departure.

Or

2.2.3.2 Were part of a rabies vaccination program, and:

2.2.3.2.1 Have been regularly re-vaccinated without interruption according to the vaccine manufacturer's recommendation

2.2.3.2.2 A sample taken thirty (30) days after a booster vaccination for a neutralising antibody titration test for rabies, performed at an approved laboratory, returned a result of at least 0.5 IU/ml. Name and address of laboratory. Result of test.

2.2.4 Have not been in contact with any animals that have had quarantine restrictions imposed on them by the New Zealand authorities as a result of their displaying clinical symptoms of rabies for at least six (6) months prior to export.

2.2.5 Have been treated against internal and external parasites at least two (2) times during the forty (40) days prior to exportation. Date of first treatment. Name, active ingredient and dosage of products. Date of second treatment: Name, active ingredient and dosage of products.

2.2.6 The animals were subjected to an individual clinical examination by a veterinarian approved by the government of New Zealand, and showed no clinical signs of infectious or contagious diseases. Date of examination.

2.2.7 The Official Veterinarian has received a declaration from the owner or his representative attesting that:

2.2.7.1 The animals will not have contact with animals of a lesser health status during transport.

2.2.7.1 All transport containers and vehicles meet international standards for the transport of live animals, have been cleaned and disinfected prior to use, and are constructed to prevent any waste, bedding or food from leaking out during transport. Name of cleaning and disinfection product.

2.2.8.1 The certificate is valid for ten (10) days from the date of issue.

3. Definitions

For the purposes of this document:

Any term or expression that is defined in the Animal Products Act 1999 and used, but not defined in this document, has the same meaning as in this Act.

Explanatory note

These Overseas Market Access Requirements are based the export certificate for nondomestic carnivores from New Zealand to France dated 15 June 2010.

Additional Information on OMAR Notification: ZOOCAREC.FRA 15.06.10

1. This OMAR is based on the export certificate which is based on an unofficial translation of annex 6 of the decree of July 19, 2002. Approval from the French authorities was communicated to us in an email from the importing zoo who had been negotiating the certificate on our behalf, as per instructions from Brussels.

2. An Import Permit is NOT required.

Section 61.A of the Animal Products Amendments Act 2005 states that 'The Crown is not liable, and nor is the Director-General or any employee of the Ministry liable, for any loss arising through the refusal or failure of the relevant authority of an overseas market to admit export animal material or animal product to that market'