



Dogs and Cats to Malaysia (OMAR)

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Animal Products Notice: Dogs and Cats to Malaysia (OMAR)

COMMENCEMENT

This Animal Products Notice comes into force on 2 March 2020

REVOCATION

This Animal Products Notice revokes and replaces:

- OMAR B DOMANIEC.MAL 18.01.12 – CATS & DOGS TO MALAYSIA.

ISSUING AUTHORITY

This Animal Products Notice is issued under sections 167(1) and 60(1) of the Animal Products Act 1999.

Dated at Wellington, 26 February 2020.

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Introduction

This introduction is not part of the Animal Products Notice, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to set out the zoosanitary requirements necessary to export compliant dogs and cats from New Zealand to Malaysia.

Background

The Animal Products Act 1999 provides the controls and mechanisms needed to give and to safeguard official assurances or zoosanitary certificates to facilitate the entry of animal material including live animals, hatching eggs, semen and embryos, and products into overseas markets.

Notices issued as Overseas Market Access Requirements (OMARs) under section 60(1)(a) and (b) of the Animal Products Act specify the requirements that are necessary or desirable for the purpose of facilitating access to overseas markets or are in accordance with the requirements of the relevant authority of the importing country.

OMARs may also determine the form and content of the official assurances that can be issued for animal material or product, including live animals, hatching eggs, semen or embryos, which meet the specified requirements.

Where the OMAR determines the form and content of the official assurances, a separate export certificate template is available to authorised persons, recognised persons and registered exporters who have applied for access to the certificate templates, to facilitate the completion and issuing of the relevant official assurance. That template will be an amendable version of the form set in the OMAR.

Notices issued under section 60(1)(c) of the Animal Products Act to safeguard the assurances provided by New Zealand, and guidance in the form of Operational Codes, should be read in conjunction with this Notice.

This OMAR specifies the requirements that must be met by exporters of dogs and cats to be exported from New Zealand to Malaysia and determines the form and content of the official assurance that must accompany the dogs and cats to be exported. The OMAR was issued after consultation with industry and the Department Of Veterinary Services in Malaysia. It is based on *Regulations For The Importation Of Dogs And Cats From The Scheduled Countries Into Malaysia (Revised 13 December 2013.)*

Who should read this Animal Products Notice?

Exporters of dogs and cats to Malaysia.

Why is this important?

This Notice is important because it sets out the requirements that need to be met so that the Director-General of the New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) can certify that the dogs and cats meet the requirements for export to Malaysia which New Zealand, in consultation with the government of Malaysia, has determined will apply. It should be noted that although the dogs and cats may comply with these requirements and be given an official assurance (by way of a certificate), the importing country ultimately retains control over what dogs and cats it clears for entry.

Document History

Version Date	Section Changed	Change(s) Description
02 March 2020	All sections	Vaccination clause has been amended for clarity. New OMAR format

Other information

Export non-conformances

Exporters should note that, under section 51 of the Animal Products Act 1999, where they have exported animal material or products, including live animals, hatching eggs, semen and embryos, that are refused entry by the foreign government they have a statutory duty to notify the Director-General of MPI not later than 24 hours after they have first knowledge of the event.

Liability

Section 61A of the Animal Products Act 1999 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.

Related documents

OMAR documents can be downloaded from <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/law-and-policy/requirements/omars-overseas-market-access-requirements/omars-live-animals-semen-embryos-organics/>

When you click on the + symbol on the right-hand side of any OMAR document, you can view the related information and documents (guidance document and export certificate template).

The export certificate for this OMAR is provided for in *Dogs and Cats to Malaysia (Export Certificate)*. The export certificate is password-protected.

Part 1: Requirements

1.1 Application

- (1) This Notice applies to the export of dogs and cats from New Zealand to Malaysia.

1.2 Definitions

- (1) In this Notice, unless the context otherwise requires:

Act means the Animal Products Act 1999

- (2) A term in this Notice that is defined in the Act has the meaning given to it in the Act

- a) *Animal Products Notice: Official Assurances Specifications for Animal Material and Animal Products.*

1.3 Requirements for export

- (1) Dogs and cats exported from New Zealand to Malaysia must be accompanied by an official assurance in the form of a zoosanitary certificate, a sample version of which is included in Part 2.
- (2) A zoosanitary certificate must be completed and issued by an authorised person.
- (3) In order to issue a zoosanitary certificate, the authorised person must be satisfied that:
 - a) A permit to import the dogs and cats has been issued by the competent authority of Malaysia.
 - b) The proposed shipment otherwise meets the requirements of this Notice.

Part 2: Zoosanitary Certificate

Certificate No:

NEW ZEALAND MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES**ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATE**

Commodity: DOGS AND CATS
 To: MALAYSIA
 Exporting Country: NEW ZEALAND
 Competent Authority: MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES
 Import Permit Number:

I: IDENTIFICATION OF ANIMAL(S)

Name	Microchip number	Species (scientific name)	Breed	Description (including colour)	Sex	Age

Total number of animal(s):

II: SOURCE OF ANIMAL(S)

Name and address of exporter:

Place of origin of animal(s):

III: DESTINATION OF ANIMAL(S)

Name and address of consignee:

Means of transport:

IV: SANITARY INFORMATION**VETERINARY CERTIFICATE**

I,, being an Official Veterinarian of the New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries, certify, after due enquiry in regards to the animals identified in this Zoosanitary Certificate, that:

1. COUNTRY FREEDOM

1.1 No case of rabies has occurred in New Zealand during the six (6) months immediately preceding the scheduled date of export.

2. RESIDENCY STATUS

2.1 The animal(s) has been continuously resident in New Zealand for at least six (6) months immediately preceding the scheduled date of export.

3. HEALTH STATUS AND TREATMENT OF ANIMAL(S)

3.1 The animal(s) has been vaccinated against rabies using an approved anti-rabies vaccine and the vaccination is current in accordance with the vaccine manufacturer's recommendations.

3.2 The animal(s) was examined within seven (7) days of the scheduled date of export and was visibly free from clinical signs of infectious or contagious disease.

4. IN THE CASE OF A DOG(S):

4.1 Within twelve (12) months prior to scheduled date of export, has been vaccinated against distemper, hepatitis, canine parvovirus, leptospirosis and canine parainfluenza, and the vaccination is current.

4.2 The vaccination history status, treatment given and health status of the dog(s) is up to date.

5. IN THE CASE OF A CAT(S):

5.1 Within twelve (12) months prior to scheduled date of export, has been vaccinated against feline viral rhinotracheitis, calicivirus and panleukopenia, and the vaccination is current.

5.2 The vaccination history status, treatment given and health status of the cat(s) is up to date.

.....
Signature of Official Veterinarian
New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries

.....
Official Stamp and Date

Name and Address

Note: The Official Veterinarian must sign, date and stamp each page of the veterinary certificate using a different colour ink to the paper and the print, and, where applicable, sign, date and stamp each page of the documents (e.g. laboratory reports) that form part of the extended health certification.