

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

Ref: AE-US22L

Date: 10 July 2005

OMAR B MIEMNIEC.USA – LABORATORY MOUSE (*Mus musculus*), AND MICE EMBRYOS TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

1. Statutory authority

Pursuant to section 60 of the Animal Products Act 1999, I notify the following overseas market access requirements, entitled laboratory mouse (*Mus musculus*), and mice embryos to the United States of America.

This notice takes effect from date of signing.

Dated at Wellington this 22nd day of July 2005.

Signed Karen Sparrow
Manager Exports
Biosecurity New Zealand
(Pursuant to delegated authority)

2. United States of America Requirements

2.1 Laboratory mouse (*Mus musculus*), and mice embryos to the United States of America must comply with the import requirements of the United States of America listed in this notice as follows:

2.2 An official veterinarian of New Zealand must certify the following:

2.2.1 The animal(s)/embryo(s) for export have originated from a bona fide scientific institution (usually as evidenced by the existence of an Animal Ethics Committee or equivalent arrangement with the organisation).

2.2.2 The colony of origin is housed in accommodation that precludes access from wildlife, including rodents and insect vectors, and is free of infestation with ectoparasites.

Colony: The entire group of animals that is in contact with the animals to be exported or the

donors of the reproductive material. In contact animals are those that share airspaces, handlers and equipment and are not separated by air filters or any physical barriers.

2.2.3 The mice and mice embryos are not known to carry any infectious diseases to humans or animals.

2.2.4 Within 72 hours prior to loading each animal for export was examined and was free from evidence of infectious and contagious disease and ectoparasites.

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

This OMAR is based on import conditions from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention received on the 2 July 2005 and the USDA on the 28 June 2005.

Additional Information on OMAR Notification: MIEMNIEC.USA 10.07.05

1. An import permit is not required.
2. Exporters are advised to look at the following websites www.cdc.gov/od/ohs/biosfty/imprtper.htm and <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/vs/ncie/ilive-mam.html> to make sure import conditions have not changed.