

## CTO Direction to an MPI Inspector

### CTO Direction #: PP\_CTO2022033 Equivalent measures for seeds for sowing in lingots imported into New Zealand from Australia

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 (the Act), I, **Sarah Clark**, give the following directions:

That measures that differ from those required by Section 1.4 (1) in import health standard 155.02.05: *Seeds for sowing* (“the IHS”) be applied for biosecurity clearance of multiple consignments containing lingots that contain seeds of the following seed species - *Allium schoenoprasum* (chives), *Lactuca sativa* (lettuce), *Mentha spicata* (mint), *Ocimum basilicum* (basil), *Origanum vulgare* (oregano), *Petroselinum crispum* (parsley), *Thymus vulgaris* (thyme) and *Viola cornuta* (pansy), that are imported into New Zealand from Australia by xxx

The measures are in lieu of the IHS requirement in section 1.4 (1) that on-arrival in New Zealand the seeds must be made available for inspection and examination by MPI Inspectors at the importer’s expense.

Each consignment is to be accompanied by the original or copy of the following documents:

- (i) ISTA Orange International Certificates or ISTA Blue International Certificates showing purity testing results for each seed lot of each seed variety imported in the consignment.
- (ii) The ISTA Orange International Certificates or ISTA Blue International Certificates must show the seed lot not to contain regulated pests, soil particles greater than 0.1% by weight or unidentified seed.
- (iii) The seed lot number on the ISTA Orange International Certificates or ISTA Blue International Certificate must match the seed lot number specified on the invoice or packing slip that accompanies the consignment.

This direction takes effect from the date of signing and is valid for two years from the date of signing unless it is amended or revoked earlier.

**Sarah Clark**  
**Deputy Chief Technical Officer**  
**Ministry for Primary Industries**  
Date: 4 August 2022