# Dogs and Cats to Morocco (Guidance)

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## 1 Document History

Version Date	Section Changed	Change(s) Description
4 February 2025		New Guidance Document for <i>Dogs and Cats to Morocco (OMAR)</i> , dated 4 February 2025.

### 2 Purpose

(1) This guidance document has been issued to accompany the corresponding Overseas Market Access Requirements (OMAR). This guidance document should be read in conjunction with that OMAR.

## 3 Specific guidance for the zoosanitary certificate

#### 3.1 Microchip

- (1) The animal(s) for export are to fully comply with the *Animal Products Notice: Export Requirements for Live Animals Microchipping*.
- (2) The date format used throughout the official assurance is to be captured as DD/Month/YYYYY.
- (3) The microchip must be scanned, verified and recorded immediately prior to the administration of the rabies vaccination to be considered valid.

#### 3.2 Rabies vaccination

- (1) Nobivac Rabies (ACVM No. A009450) is the rabies vaccine that is registered in New Zealand, provides a 3- year duration of immunity when the initial dose is administered at 12 weeks of age or older.
- (2) If the initial vaccination is administered earlier than 12 weeks, a second dose must be administered at 12 weeks of age.
- (3) Minimum vaccination age for dogs and cats is 4 weeks.
- (4) The vaccination is considered valid 30 days after the administration of a primary vaccination.

# 4 Returning to New Zealand

(1) If you are planning on returning to New Zealand with your pet in the future, please contact the MPI Animal Imports team to obtain all the relevant information on importing pets back into New Zealand, and if there is anything that can expediate your animals return to New Zealand. We strongly suggest that this is done before your pet is exported from New Zealand, as not every country can meet the New Zealand import conditions, and so you may not be able to import your pet back into New Zealand.

For all the necessary information on importation into New Zealand, contact animal.imports@mpi.govt.nz.

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