



Ref: CTO 2014 158 [G]

Fibre: Scoured and Dyed Wool

CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of scoured and dyed wool.

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Vicki Melville, Manager Animal Imports, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for scoured and dyed wool to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the applicable import health standard Animal Fibre [ANIFIBRE.ALL dated 25 September 2014]:

Section 2.4 states that scoured and dyed (and carded) animal fibre from specified ruminants is eligible for clearance when accompanied by a government endorsed manufacturer's declaration that the fibre has been processed in the following manner:

- 1) Commercially scoured (aqueous scouring at 60-70°C for at least 3 minutes); and
- 2) Hot water dyed (at least 85-100°C for at least 1 hour).

The nature of the non-compliance with the requirements in the applicable import health standard is that the wool will be commercially scoured but will not have been dyed prior to arriving in New Zealand. Rather, the scoured wool will be authorised to be moved to an approved transitional facility where the wool must be dyed in accordance with (2) above in order to be eligible for clearance.

The reason for directing clearance is that the biosecurity risks associated with this CTO direction have been assessed and are managed effectively.

This direction takes effect from the date of signing and continues in effect until amended or revoked.