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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Biosecurity New Zealand
3.	Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Hides and skins
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: All
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Import Health Standard for Hides and Skins; English; 7 pages. Guidance document for Hides and Skins; English; 9 pages.
6.	Description of content: New Zealand's importing requirements for Hides and skins
7.	Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission [e.g., title or serial number of Codex standard or related text] <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) [e.g., Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number] <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention [e.g., ISPM N°] <input type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: Some measures and/or commodities are not described in the OIE Code. Where relevant the IHS is derived from risk analysis recommendations.
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: http://www.biosecurity.govt.nz/files/regs/imports/risk/hides-and-skins-ra.pdf
10.	Proposed date of adoption: 12 May 2011 Proposed date of publication: 12 May 2011

11. Proposed date of entry into force 12 May 2011 [X] Trade facilitating measure
12. Final date for comments: 12 May 2011 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: Mrs Sally Jennings, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +64 4 894 0431; Fax: +64 4 894 0733; E-mail: sps@maf.govt.nz
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