

REQUEST FOR DEVELOPMENT OF AN IMPORT HEALTH STANDARD (ANIMAL PRODUCTS)



Filling in your application form:

- A separate form is required for each type of animal product.
- You must complete ALL questions or mark the question as not applicable. This information is essential for the prioritisation of your request. If all questions are not completed, the application will not be processed.
- Please attach any supplementary information to the completed form and return to Biosecurity New Zealand preferably by email to:
Email: imports@maf.govt.nz
Fax: 04 894 0662
Postal: PO Box 2526, Wellington 6011

Once we've received your application:

- You will be notified that your application has been logged.
- Biosecurity New Zealand prioritises requests for the development of import health standards (IHS) once a year. Applications close for the annual program on 2nd February 2007. Following prioritisation a work programme for the next year is developed. The work plan and further information on prioritisation is available on the Biosecurity New Zealand website at www.biosecurity.govt.nz by 30th June 2007.

Confidential information

- Under the Official Information Act 1982 MAF is required to release information if requested. However, MAF may withhold information where it is considered confidential or commercially sensitive.
- Some of the questions on this form may require applicants to provide sensitive information. If you consider that the information you give is commercially sensitive or is given in confidence and should not be released by MAF, please give your reasons below. (Please note that MAF will release a list of all requested work, the annual work programme, and the resulting risk analyses and import health standards.)

Contact details of Importer

1. Name of company or individual
Contact person
Postal address

Email address
Telephone No.
Fax No.

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Country of origin

2. Exporting country

3. Country or countries from which the animal product was produced or where animal product ingredients were derived.

Description of intended consignment

4. List the name of the product and describe its state (e.g. dried, frozen or refrigerated).

5. Describe how the product is packaged, contained, labelled and sealed (include whether the product is packaged for direct retail sale).

6. List the percentages of all ingredients in the product by weight (if a dry product) or volume (if a liquid product) in order from the major ingredient to minor ingredients.

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7. Outline the manufacturing process for the product.

8. State the core (internal) temperatures the product reaches, and the length of time this temperature is maintained (*if no heat treatment – state so in box provided*).

9. Describe any other treatments designed to render the product(s) sterile (e.g. filtration, acid or alkali treatment, irradiation, long term maturation etc). Include relevant parameters (e.g. pH level, radiation dose) and the time the product is maintained at these levels.

10. List any quality assurance standards for manufacturing. Include both national and international standards.

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11. Provide contact details of the authority in the exporting country responsible for official inspection and certification¹.

12. List any countries that these animal products are currently exported to, from the country of origin. (Attach copies of these countries import conditions and any relevant export certificates).

Background information

13. If MAF has issued any permits to you for similar animal products in the past, provide the permit number(s) or the date that the last permit was issued and a description of the commodity.

Prioritisation

14. Provide any technical information that would assist in assessing the biosecurity risks resulting from importing the animal product and the development of the import health standard. For example, published risk assessments, international codes or standards, peer reviewed articles, findings of research projects. Please attach copies of relevant documents or reference sources.

¹ Biosecurity New Zealand recommends importers contact the relevant Ministry in the exporting country regarding their request. This Ministry will be required to provide information during the development of the import health standard.

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15. What commercial benefits would there be to New Zealanders if this animal product were imported? Can you quantify?

16. Is the animal product used as an input into other commodities/industries? How big are these industries? How important are these industries to New Zealand's economy?

17. What is your expected volume or value of trade? Within 12 months? Over the longer term?

18. What other benefits would there be to New Zealanders if this animal product were imported (e.g. economic, social or cultural, environmental or human health)? Can you quantify? And who are the beneficiaries?²

² The final part of the question relates to distributional considerations, which are addressed as part of the acceptability criterion.

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19. Do you anticipate public concern over the requested import health standard? If so, why? How would you counter these concerns?

Funding

Crown funding is allocated to the applications that are ranked as highest priority against Government & MAF goals. When Crown-funding has been fully allocated, remaining applicants will be given the option of negotiating funding their work if they have indicated they are willing to do so. This option will be given to applicants in order of priority, where relevant resources can be found to perform the work.

20. If you were given the option, would you be willing to fund the cost of developing the import health standard you have requested?

Please check you have:

- Completed all questions or marked not applicable
- Attached any supporting documents