

# REQUEST FOR DEVELOPMENT OF AN IMPORT HEALTH STANDARD



## NON-BIOLOGICAL ITEMS e.g. vehicles, sea containers, vessels, scrap metal, sand, tyres)

### Filling in your application form:

- A separate form is required for each type of non-biological good to be imported.
- 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: [Standards@maf.govt.nz](mailto:Standards@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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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](http://www.biosecurity.govt.nz) by 30<sup>th</sup> 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. Location(s) that the non-biological goods will be sourced (e.g. Country/countries, state or region).

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## Description of intended consignment

3. List the good and describe its state

Name	Description of state, if any. (e.g. heated, irradiated, cleaned, untreated raw material, commercially produced and packaged)

4. Specify the intended use of the goods to be imported.

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5. Provide contact details of the authority in the exporting country responsible for official inspection and certification<sup>1</sup>.

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6. Outline the pest or disease management, disease testing procedures or quality systems used in the country of origin to produce this commodity.

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<sup>1</sup> 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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7. Describe whether the procedures or systems outlined in question 6 come under a certified scheme or whether the raw materials come from an accredited source.

8. Describe any treatments used to render the goods sterile (e.g. heat treatment (state core (internal) temperature reached), irradiation, cleaning process etc). Include relevant parameters (e.g. radiation dose) and the time the goods are maintained at these levels.

### Background information

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

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## Prioritisation

10. Provide any technical information that would assist in assessing the biosecurity risk resulting from importing the goods 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.

11. What commercial benefits would there be to New Zealanders if this good were imported? In terms of better quality/different/ or lower priced products? Can you quantify?

12. Will the goods be used as an input into other commodities/industries? How big are these industries? How important are these industries to New Zealand's economy?

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

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

15. 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.**

19. 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

<sup>2</sup> The final part of the question relates to how the benefits and costs are distributed which is part of the acceptability criterion.