



## Animal Products (European Union Export Requirements – Animal Material and Products) Notice 2015

Pursuant to section 60(1) of the Animal Products Act 1999, I, Tim Knox, Director Market Access issue the following notice for the purpose of specifying requirements that must be met in relation to certain animals sourced from farms and stock saleyards for the purposes of export verification to the European Union.

Signed at Wellington this 14 day of December 2015

[signed]

Tim Knox

Director Market Access

Ministry for Primary Industries

(Acting under delegated authority)

Certified in order for signature

[signed]

Solicitor

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### **Notice**

#### **1 Title**

This notice is the Animal Products (European Union Export Requirements— Animal Material and Products) Notice 2015.

#### **2 Commencement**

This notice comes into force on 1 January 2016.

### **Part 1 Preliminary Provisions**

#### **3 Purpose**

The purpose of this notice is to reflect and support an overseas market access requirement of the EU that specifies animals exported from New Zealand to the EU must demonstrate compliance with various legislative and other requirements.

#### **4 Application**

- (1) This notice applies to export primary processors.
- (2) This notice imposes requirements on export primary processors in respect of animals being supplied to export primary processors operating under a registered risk management programme which is slaughtering animals intended for export to the EU.

## 5 Interpretation

- (1) In this notice, unless the context otherwise requires, —

**Act** means the Animal Products Act 1999

**animal** for the purposes of this notice means live cattle, sheep or lambs, deer, goats or horses, and does not include any other species

**animal material or animal products** for the purposes of this notice means material or products derived from an animal

**ASD** means an animal status declaration required to be submitted under the Animal Products (Specifications for Products Intended for Human Consumption) Notice 2013

**EU** means countries within the European Union

**export primary processor** means a risk management programme operator who is a primary processor of animals intended for processing into animal material or animal products for export to the EU

**farm** means premises used to raise animals for supply to an export primary processor, but does not include premises predominantly used for raising ostriches or emus

**HGPs** means hormone growth promotants

**specifications** means specifications made under a notice issued by the Director-General under the Act

**stock saleyard** means any premises used wholly or partly for the sale of animals to processors for primary processing

**supplier** means owner or the person in charge of a farm, and includes the owner or person in charge of a stock saleyard.

- (2) Any words or expressions used but not defined in this notice that are defined in the Act, have the meaning given to them in the Act.

## Part 2

### Export Requirement for Animals Destined for EU

## 6 Obligation to source animals for export from a compliant supplier

Export primary processors intending to export animal material or animal products to the EU must source the material or products from a supplier who has demonstrated adequate compliance with the following requirements, in accordance with the scheme set out in the Animal Products (Regulated Control Scheme—On-Farm and Stock Saleyard Verification) Notice 2015:

- (a) accuracy of the statements made in the ASD and any supplementary ASDs in respect of that material or those products including statements with respect to—
  - (i) animal history (and length of time of the animal in the care of the supplier); and
  - (ii) animal treatment and observance of all relevant withholding periods for slaughter; and

- (iii) requirements to identify and separate treated animals being withheld; and
  - (iv) animal movement controls applied under section 88 or 91 of the Act; and
- (b) obligations relating to animal identification under the Biosecurity (Animal Identification Systems) Regulations 1999 or any successor to those regulations; and
- (c) obligations relating to imported animals under the Biosecurity (Imported Animals, Embryos and Semen Information) Regulations 1999; and
- (d) obligations relating to declarations and animal movement control under the Bovine Tuberculosis strategy (administered by the TBFree NZ and located at [tbfree.org.nz](http://tbfree.org.nz)); and
- (e) obligations of persons in charge of animals under the Animal Products (Hormonal Growth Promotant Specifications) Notice 2015 or any successor to that notice, including (without limitation) the requirement to adequately identify animals treated with HGP; and
- (f) Part 9 of the Animal Products (Specifications for Products Intended for Human Consumption) Notice 2004 relating to identification of animals treated with Johne's disease vaccination; and
- (g) Part 9A of the Animal Products (Specifications for Products Intended for Human Consumption) Notice 2004 imposing requirements to complete and retain auditable copies of an ASD when animals are moved to a new premises, property or stock saleyard.

## **Part 5 Revocation**

### **13 Revocation**

The Animal Products (European Union Export Requirements – Animal Material and Products) Notice 2009 is revoked on 1 January 2016.

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Issued under section 60(1) of the Animal Products Act 1999.

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