



Ref: CTO 2015 077 [G]

Dogs: Demodectic mange

CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of dogs.

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Marnie Thomas, Manager Animal Imports, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for dogs to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the applicable import health standard Cats and Dogs (CATDOG.GEN):

Section 2.2 requires that dogs must be certified free of external parasites at each of the two veterinary treatments for ticks and fleas and on post-arrival inspection. For a dog diagnosed with Demodectic mange, provided it is fit and healthy for travel and meets all other requirements, the dog must be certified free of external parasites except Demodex. Demodectic mange is not a communicable parasite and is not exotic to New Zealand, and therefore is not a biosecurity risk.

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.