

Listed Hunter Supplier Declaration - for the Supply of Live Possums for Human Consumption

Effective from July 2022

Ministry for Primary Industries
Manatū Ahu Matua



This declaration is a way of meeting requirements under s81A of the Animal Products Act 1999 for the purpose of compliance with clause F2.7 of the Animal Products Notice: Production, Supply and Processing.

Listed Hunter name and identification number:		Names of all other hunters involved in this consignment:	
Primary processor identifier:		Date of arrival at primary processor:	
Number of possums in the consignment covered by this statement:			

Consignment Details and Poison Use (see note 1):

Unique identifier for each possum/group of possums (see note 3)	GPS co-ordinates or topographical map identifier for where the possum(s) were captured (see Note 2)	Date and time captured	Date and time delivered to primary processor	Covered by poison use statement or DOC Pesticide Summary? Tick if yes (✓)

Additional Information:

	Yes	No
a. Were the possums procured in accordance with your Operations Manual?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. To the best of your knowledge, are these animals within the maximum residue limit (MRL) and maximum permissible level (MPL) as specified in note 4?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Can you confirm that no animals are recovered from poisoned land or buffer zone land and still within a withholding period as described in note 5?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Were the possums captured in an area declared vector free of bovine tuberculosis by TBfree New Zealand (see note 6)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Can you confirm, to the best of your knowledge, that these animals had not ingested agricultural chemicals and are outside the withholding period for any veterinary medicines (see note 7)? If no, these animals are not eligible for processing.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Declaration:

I understand that this declaration must be provided to, and will be retained by the primary processor.

I understand that the primary processor may be required to provide a copy of this declaration to the Ministry for Primary Industries to meet their requirements under the Animal Products Act 1999.

I declare that:

- I am the listed hunter who directly supervised or carried out the capturing of the live possums which this declaration applies to; and*
- the information provided in this form is true and accurate.*

Listed Hunter signature: _____ Date: _____

It is an offence under section 127 of the Animal Products Act 1999 to provide false or misleading information in this statement. Under the Privacy Act 1993 you have certain rights of access to and correction of personal information held about you.

Notes:

1. Consignment Details

Use additional signed and dated pages if more space is needed to list the possums in the consignment covered by this statement.

2. Identification of Groups of Possums

You may tag or otherwise identify *groups* of live possums where they:

- (i) are covered by a single poison use statement or DOC Pesticide Summary; and
- (ii) have been taken from areas of land that have the same poisoning status; and
- (iii) have been captured on the same date; and
- (iv) have been captured by or under the direct supervision of the same Listed Hunter.

Otherwise you must tag or otherwise identify *each* individual live possum.

3. Hunt and kill location information

kill location means, in relation to a hunted animal, the place where the animal came to rest immediately after it was killed or, where safety was an issue, as close to that point as can safely be recorded.

Hunt and kill location information provided by listed hunters must be in the form of the required GPS data, unless topographical maps can be used as an alternative (see below).

Despite what is specified above a listed hunter may identify the kill location of a hunted animal by a topographical map grid reference point if either of the following apply:

- a) the hunted animal is a rabbit, hare, or wallaby and the hunter hunted the animals on the ground, or from ground conveyances, on areas of land identified in the relevant Operations Manual as an area for which topographical grid references may be provided; or
- b) the listed hunter is unable to provide GPS data because of a technical failure outside the control of the listed hunter (i.e. not including poor maintenance or lack of knowledge of the GPS system) and:
 - (i) the kill location of each animal is identified by grid reference on a topographical map; or
 - (ii) the processor tests each affected carcass for poison residues and does not process the material unless the residue levels are acceptable.

The GPS data required is:

- a) the GPS system used; and
- b) the date of the hunting activity; and
- c) the time and GPS co-ordinates of the kill location; and
- d) the GPS co-ordinates at the start and finish of the hunting flight or ground hunting trip; and
- e) in the case of an aerial hunt:
 - (i) the GPS co-ordinates (in NZTM2000) at the start and finish of the hunting flight; and
 - (ii) the flight data points, including altitude, taken in a continuous record at a maximum of 10 second intervals, for the entire hunting flight and for each flight used to transfer carcasses (This form does not provide for this and must be supplied separately).

This means in addition to the information provided in this declaration form, a listed hunter must also provide the processor with data on the GPS system used and co-ordinates of the start and finish of the hunting flight or ground hunting trip.

4. MRL and MPL

MRL means, in relation to a residue, the maximum permissible level of that residue as specified in the Food Notice: Maximum Residue Levels for Agricultural Compounds. MPL means the maximum permissible level at which a substance may be present in animal material or animal product as specified in the current edition of the Animal Products Notice: Maximum Permissible Levels.

5. Poison Use

Possums must not be presented for processing if they were procured from land on which any of the following poisons were laid, or within the applicable buffer zones of that land, unless the applicable caution period for that poison has passed between the time the poison was laid and the time the possums were procured. The applicable buffer zones and caution periods for each poison are set out in the following table.

Poison group	1	2	3	4
Poison	Zinc phosphide Para-aminopropiophenone Sodium nitrite Any other poison not covered in groups 2 to 4 (except sodium cyanide, potassium cyanide or cholecalciferol)	Diphacinone Pindone	Coumatetralyl 1080	Brodifacoum Difethialone Bromadiolone Flocoumafen Difenacoum
Caution period	1 month	2 months	4 months	3 years
Buffer zone	0 m	1 km	1 km	1 km

6. Tb Vector Risk Areas

For the Vector Risk Areas (VRAs) go to the TBfree New Zealand website at www.tbfree.org.nz. At the date of this form, VRAs were identified at <http://www.tbfree.org.nz/risk-based-assessment-of-new-zealand-2.aspx>

7. Veterinary Medicines

If you have killed animals and believe they are within a withholding period for a veterinary medicine they must not be presented for processing.

If you do not know the withholding period for a veterinary medicine, the following default periods apply and is the time which must pass before the animals can be killed for processing:—

- 91 days for ruminants such as deer, goats, thar, chamois and water buffalo;
- 63 days for monogastrics and camalids such as pigs and wallabies.

8. Electronic Submission. This statement may be provided electronically, but only with the consent of the recipient.