Ref: CTO 2016 051 [1]

Zoo Antelope: Extension on Tests and Treatments

CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of zoo antelope

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Vicki Melville, Manager Animal Imports, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for zoo antelopes to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the applicable *import health* standard for zoo antelope from South Africa into New Zealand (zooantic.saf):

Further to the CTO direction 2016 042 [1], where an extension of a maximum of 17 days for tests and treatments carried out during Pre-Export Isolation (PEI) is deemed as equivalent, this CTO direction allows an extension of up to 24 days on the timing for all tests and treatments done under clause 3 of the model Zoosanitary certificate. MPI regards this extension of 24 days as equivalent to the original requirement based on the same rationale as applied in CTO direction 2016 041 [1], that is, zoo antelopes have been isolated from all other animals not of equivalent health status and the PEI facility being insect and tick free during the entire PEI, and thus freedom from diseases of biosecurity concerns could be maintained. The zoo antelopes must be subjected to an additional tick examination prior to export.

This CTO direction also regards veterinary inspection of zoo antelopes and documentation once they arrive at the transitional facility named on this permit to be equivalent to part C clause 10.1.

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.

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