

IMPORT HEALTH STANDARD FOR THE IMPORTATION INTO NEW ZEALAND OF FROZEN SHEEP PITUITARY GLANDS FOR FURTHER PROCESSING FROM AUSTRALIA (SOUTH AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, VICTORIA AND WESTERN AUSTRALIA SOUTH OF 26° LATITUDE SOUTH)

USER GUIDE

The information in MAF animal product import health standards is presented in numerically ordered sections with descriptive titles. Sections are grouped into one of four parts, designated alphabetically.

Part A. GENERAL INFORMATION contains sections of general interest, including those relating to the legal basis for MAF import health standards and the general responsibilities of every importer of animals and animal products.

Part B. IMPORTATION PROCEDURE contains sections that outline the requirements to be met prior to and during importation. Whether a permit to import is required to be obtained prior to importation is noted, as are conditions of eligibility, transport and general conditions relating to documentation accompanying the consignment.

Part C. CLEARANCE PROCEDURE contains sections describing the requirements to be met at the New Zealand border prior to any consignment being given biosecurity clearance.

Part D. ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATION contains model health certification which must be completed by the appropriate personnel as indicated in the certification and accompany the consignment to New Zealand.

PART A. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. IMPORT HEALTH STANDARD

- 1.1 Pursuant to section 22 of the Biosecurity Act 1993, this document is the import health standard for the importation into New Zealand of frozen sheep pituitary glands for further processing from Australia (South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia South of 26° Latitude South).
- 1.2 Obtaining biosecurity clearance for each consignment of frozen sheep pituitary glands for further processing from Australia (South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia South of 26° Latitude South) is dependent on the consignment meeting the requirements of this import health standard.
- 1.3 This import health standard may be reviewed, amended or revoked if there are changes in New Zealand's import policy or the animal health status of the originating country, or for any other lawful reason, at the discretion of the Director Animal Biosecurity.

2. IMPORTER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2.1 The costs to MAF in performing functions relating to the importation of the products shall be recovered in accordance with the Biosecurity Act and any regulations made under that Act.
- 2.2 All costs involved with documentation, transport, storage and obtaining a biosecurity direction and/or biosecurity clearance shall be borne by the importer or agent.
- 2.3 Once the consignment has been cleared for entry, it is the importer's responsibility to ensure that the consignment complies with requirements under the Meat Act (1981). A set of guidelines outlining these responsibilities may be obtained by writing to: Import Management, Animal Biosecurity, Biosecurity Authority, Ministry of Agriculture & Forestry, PO Box 2526, Wellington, NEW ZEALAND.
- 2.4 Products containing ruminant protein (i.e. products derived from sheep in this case), or any material from premises that render, produce or utilise ruminant protein, must not be sent for further processing to any premises where feed suitable for ruminants is produced under the Biosecurity (Ruminant Protein) Regulations 1999.
- 2.5 If the products are used to manufacture animal food (e.g. petfood) or fertiliser, the consignment shall be labelled in accordance with clause 14(c)(ii) of the Biosecurity (Ruminant Protein) Regulations 1999.

3. DEFINITION OF TERMS

Biosecurity Clearance: as defined by the Biosecurity Act 1993.

Director Animal Biosecurity: the Director Animal Biosecurity, New Zealand Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, or any person who for the time being may lawfully exercise and perform the power and functions of the Director Animal Biosecurity.

Equivalence: acceptance by MAF that the circumstances relating to the importation of a consignment are such that the health status of the consignment is equivalent to the health status of a consignment that complies with the requirements of the import health standard.

Inspector: as defined by the Biosecurity Act 1993.

MAF: the New Zealand Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.

4. EQUIVALENCE

It is expected that the animal product will meet the conditions of this import health standard in every respect. If the products do not comply with the requirements, a detailed application for equivalence may be submitted to MAF for consideration.

PART B. IMPORTATION PROCEDURE

5. PERMIT TO IMPORT

Importation into New Zealand of frozen sheep pituitary glands for further processing from Australia (South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia South of 26° Latitude South) which meet the requirements of this import health standard may, subject to sections 27 and 28 of the Biosecurity Act, be given biosecurity clearance and do not require a biosecurity direction to a transitional facility. As such, they do not require a permit to import.

6. DOCUMENTATION ACCOMPANYING THE CONSIGNMENT

- 6.1 The consignment shall be accompanied by appropriately completed health certification that meets the requirements of PART D. ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATION. Documentation shall be in English.
- 6.2 It is the importer's responsibility to ensure that any documentation presented in accordance with the requirements of this import health standard is original (unless otherwise specified) and clearly legible.

PART C. CLEARANCE PROCEDURE

7. BIOSECURITY CLEARANCE

Upon arrival in New Zealand the documentation accompanying the consignment shall be inspected by an Inspector at the port of arrival. Providing that the documentation meets all requirements noted under PART D. ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATION, the consignment will, subject to sections 27 and 28 of the Biosecurity Act 1993, be given a biosecurity clearance pursuant to section 26 of the Biosecurity Act 1993.

PART D. ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATION

8. NEGOTIATED EXPORT CERTIFICATION

The following documents are approved by MAF as being equivalent to the requirements of PART D. ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATION, and are approved as export certificate/s to accompany imports into New Zealand of frozen sheep pituitary glands for further processing from Australia (South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia South of 26° Latitude South) when appropriately completed:

9. MODEL ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATION

COMMODITY: FROZEN SHEEP PITUITARY GLANDS FOR FURTHER PROCESSING

CERTIFYING AUTHORITY:

Agency:

Department:

State: SOUTH AUSTRALIA / TASMANIA / VICTORIA / WESTERN AUSTRALIA
SOUTH OF 26° LATITUDE SOUTH

Country: AUSTRALIA

I. ORIGIN OF THE CONSIGNMENT

(i). Name/s and address/es of processing premises:

(ii). Processing premises registration number:

II. CONSIGNMENT DESCRIPTION

(i). The commodity contained in this consignment is (describe form and packaging):

(ii). Amount (in kgs) of the consignment:

III. DESTINATION OF THE CONSIGNMENT

(i). Name and address of New Zealand importer:

IV. ZOOSANITARY INFORMATION

9.1 The products originate from slaughtering establishments located in the states of South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and/or Western Australia South of 26° Latitude South.

9.2 The products originate from a government licensed slaughtering establishment that slaughters animals for human consumption, and that operates under government supervision.

9.3 The products are derived from animals that passed ante-mortem and post-mortem inspection at the time of slaughter.

Signature of Authorised Officer:

State Meat Industry Authority:

Date:

Name and address of office:

N.B. Official stamp of the meat industry authority of the exporting state/territory must be applied to all pages of zoosanitary certification.

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