

Overseas Market Access Requirements Notification - Animal Products Act 1999

Regulation & Assurance Branch, Animal & Animal Products Directorate, Ministry for Primary Industries

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PETANI.ZA 16 MAY 2018 – DOGS AND CATS TO THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

1. Statutory authority

Pursuant to section 60, section 60A, section 62(1) and section 167 of the Animal Products Act 1999 I notify the following:

- (i) the issue under section 167 of the overseas market access requirements for dogs and cats to the Republic of South Africa, PETANI.ZA dated 16 May 2018;
- (ii) the revocation and replacement of Dogs and cats to the Republic of South Africa 20.01.09;
- (iii) the determination under section 62(1) of the format and content of the official assurance for dogs and cats to the Republic of South Africa.

This notice takes effect from 16th May 2018.

Dated at Wellington this 14th day of May 2018.

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Manager Import and Export Animals
Animal Health & Welfare Directorate
Regulation & Assurance Branch
(acting under delegated authority)

2. The Republic of South Africa requirements

Dogs and cats exported from New Zealand to the Republic of South Africa must be accompanied by an Official Assurance in the form of a completed zoosanitary certificate.

The zoosanitary certificate as specified below must be completed and certified, after due enquiry, by an Official Veterinarian of the Ministry for Primary Industries.

<p>Explanatory Note: If the zoosanitary certificate is not certified then the dogs and cats do not satisfy the conditions in the notice. Likewise, if the dogs and cats do not satisfy the zoosanitary requirements in the certificate, then the certificate will not be certified.</p>



Certificate No:

NEW ZEALAND MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATE

Species: DOGS AND CATS
To: SOUTH AFRICA
Exporting Country: NEW ZEALAND
Competent Authority: MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES
Veterinary Import Permit No:

I. NUMBER AND IDENTIFICATION OF ANIMAL(S):

Species	Breed	Sex	Age	Colour	Name	Microchip Number	Location of Microchip

Total number of animals:

II: ORIGIN OF THE ANIMAL(S):

Name and address of consignor:
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Premises of origin address:
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III: DESTINATION OF THE ANIMAL(S):

Name and address of consignee:
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Means and identification of transport:

Final destination premises address:
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IV: SANITARY INFORMATION

VETERINARY CERTIFICATION

I,, an Official Veterinarian of the New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries certify, after due enquiry, with respect to the animal(s) identified in this zoosanitary certificate that:

1. New Zealand is free of rabies, *Trypanosoma evansi* (surra), *Babesia gibsoni*, *Brucella canis* and endemic infection with *Dirofilaria immitis* (heartworm) and indigenous cases of, and established populations of competent vectors for leishmaniasis, have not been confirmed in New Zealand during the twelve (12) months prior to scheduled date of export.
2. The animal(s) has either been continuously resident in New Zealand since birth or has been continuously resident in New Zealand or South Africa for the last six (6) months prior to scheduled date of export.
3. The animal(s) originates from an area that is not under official veterinary restrictions for any disease to which dogs and cats are susceptible.
4. The animal will be shipped in containers which conform to IATA regulations, which will be new and are of such a nature that contact with other animals of a lesser health status, en route, is prevented.
5. The animal(s) was examined clinically by an Official Veterinarian within ten (10) days of scheduled date of export and was found to be free of external parasites, contagious and infectious diseases to which the species is susceptible, and were fit to travel.

[6. IN THE CASE OF DOGS

6.1 The dog(s) has been tested with negative results, within thirty (30) days of scheduled date of export, for the following conditions at an officially approved laboratory:

6.1.1 Serum agglutination for *Brucella canis*

Date of sample collection:

6.1.2 Card agglutination test and a Giemsa blood smear for *Trypanosoma evansi*

Date of sample collection:

6.1.3 Immunofluorescence antibody test and Giemsa blood smear for *Babesia Gibsoni*

Date of sample collection:

6.1.4 Microfilarial filtration test for *Dirofilaria immitis*

Date of sample collection:

6.1.5 Indirect fluorescent antibody or ELISA or Direct agglutination test or Western blot/membrane immunoassay for *Leishmaniosis*

Date of sample collection:

6.2. The dog(s) must be treated with an effective acaricide and insecticide which contains fluralaner as the active ingredient, within thirty (30) days before departure.

Date of treatment:

Product and dosage :

6.3 The animal(s) has been treated for the following conditions as described below:

Dirofilaria immitis. From the date of negative testing until export, at the required intervals (strike out the treatments not used) with:

Ivermectin (6 micrograms/kg per os monthly)

Or

Milbemycin oxime (0.5 mg/kg per os monthly)

Or

Moxidectin (3 micrograms/kg per os monthly)

Or

Selemectin (6mg/kg)

Date of treatment:

Product:

Treatment for *Dirofilaria immitis* must continue for six months after arrival in South Africa. I have informed the owner/person in custody of the dog of this condition and I confirm that the owner/custodian has sufficient amounts of the drug used in possession to carry out the required therapy.

(*Dirofilaria immitis* drugs are not available in the Republic of South Africa and must be imported by the importer of the dog, at the time of the importation of the dog)

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Signature of Official Veterinarian
New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries

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Official stamp and date

Name and Address

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NOTE: The Official Veterinarian must sign, date and stamp each page of the veterinary certificate using a different colour ink to the paper and the print, and, where applicable, sign date and stamp each page of the documents that form part of the extended health certification.

EXPORT CERTIFICATION

(This is not part of the official certification)

SPECIES: DOGS AND CATS

COUNTRY: SOUTH AFRICA

NOTES: This export certificate replaces the previous one dated 20 January 2009. The certificate was updated and approved by The Directorate Animal Health, Republic of South Africa on 13th May 2018.

1. An Import Permit is required.
2. Rabies vaccination is not required for animals exported from NZ.
3. The animal(s) must be identifiable by microchip prior to export to South Africa.
4. Premises of origin relates to the address where the animal has spent the majority of time in the week leading up to export.
5. The importer accepts the sole responsibility to ensure that the animal(s) exported complies with the attached conditions and understands his/her duties in this regard.
6. All dogs and cats imported into South Africa must be registered as manifest cargo and cannot fly as excess baggage. The Directorate Veterinary Services does not have veterinary officials at the passenger terminal. The dogs and cats can only disembark via the cargo terminal of the respective airports.
7. Dogs and cats may travel in the cabin with the owner if allowed by the airline, but the animal(s) must be registered as manifest cargo and the airline staff must take the pets from the owner on landing so that they can be off loaded from the plane via the cargo terminal.
8. Treatment for *Dirofilaria* must continue for six (6) months after arrival in South Africa. Heartworm drugs are not available in the Republic of South Africa and must be imported by the importer of the dog, at the time of the importation of the dog(s)
9. The arrival of the animal(s) must be reported to the Quarantine Master at the port of entry. The information pertaining to this will be supplied on the Import Permit (the animal(s) will not be permitted to land without the Master's written permission). On arrival at the airport, the original Veterinary Import Permit issued by the Directorate Veterinary Services and the original Veterinary Health Certificate, signed, stamped and certified by the Veterinary Authorities of New Zealand, must be presented to the veterinary officials at the airport before the animal(s) can be released. The documents can either travel with the animal(s) or the person collecting the animal(s) must present the documents to the officials at the airport.
10. The animal(s) will not require quarantine providing all the necessary conditions of the import health certificate are met.
11. Animals subjected to post importation quarantine will, at the discretion of the Director of Animal Health of South Africa, be retested at the importers expense.
12. Certification of Section IV, clause 3 of the Veterinary Certificate, relating to official veterinary restrictions, is not affected by the existence of the Biosecurity (declaration of a controlled area) Notice 1204 of 2 August 2001, which stipulates control on feeding raw offal to dogs in relation to hydatids. New Zealand declared official freedom from hydatids in 2002.

Section 61A Animal Products Act 1999 states that 'The Crown is not liable, and nor is the Director-General or any employee of the Ministry liable, for any loss arising through the refusal or failure of the relevant authority of an overseas market to admit export animal material or animal product to that market.'