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Cats and Dogs: Extension
of tests

CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of cats and dogs.

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Cathy Dyer, Senior Adviser, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for products cats or dogs to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the applicable Import Health Standard for Cats and Dogs (CATDOG.GEN 2013).

Extension of time limits for tests and treatments:

An extension of a maximum of seven days for tests and treatments may be granted. This is based on historic dispensations, given over several years, due to practical considerations such as flight schedule changes or delays, delays in reporting laboratory results, etc. An import permit will be required.

The addition of up to seven days is not considered to significantly change the risks or health status of the animal.

Cats and dogs must meet all other conditions of the Import Health Standard for Cats and Dogs.

This direction takes effect from the date of signing and continues in effect until amended or revoked.

Signed at Wellington this 9th day of August, 2013