Ministry for Primary Industries Manatū Ahu Matua



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Cats & Dogs: Tests and Treatments in Post-Arrival Quarantine

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 cats and 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):

In the case of non-compliant test(s) or treatment(s) identified on arrival, equivalence is given for the timing of the test(s) or treatment(s) so they may be conducted in post-arrival quarantine.

This does not exempt the animal from any of the test or treatment requirements in the Import Health Standard, so the risks will still be managed. This does not apply to rabies titre testing, as the timing of this test is verified before an import permit is issued.

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

Signed at Wellington this 22nd day of October, 2013.

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