



Horses to the People's Republic of China (OMAR)

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TITLE

Animal Products Notice: Horses to the People's Republic of China (OMAR)

COMMENCEMENT

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REVOCATION

This Animal Products Notice revokes and replaces:

- OMAR B HORANIEC – Horses to The People's Republic of China, 30 July 2004

ISSUING AUTHORITY

This Animal Products Notice is issued under sections 167(1) and 60(1) of the Animal Products Act 1999.

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Introduction

This introduction is not part of the Animal Products Notice, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to set out the zoosanitary requirements necessary to export compliant horses from New Zealand to the People's Republic of China.

Background

The Animal Products Act 1999 provides the controls and mechanisms needed to give and to safeguard official assurances or zoosanitary certificates to facilitate the entry of animal material including live animals, hatching eggs, semen and embryos, and products into overseas markets.

Notices issued as Overseas Market Access Requirements (OMARs) under section 60(1)(a) and (b) of the Animal Products Act specify the requirements that are necessary or desirable for the purpose of facilitating access to overseas markets or are in accordance with the requirements of the relevant authority of the People's Republic of China.

OMARs may also determine the form and content of the official assurances that can be issued for animal material or product, including live animals, hatching eggs, semen or embryos, which meet the specified requirements.

Where the OMAR determines the form and content of the official assurances, a separate export certificate template is available to authorised persons, recognised persons and registered exporters who have applied for access to the certificate templates, to facilitate the completion and issuing of the relevant official assurance. That template will be an amendable version of the form set in the OMAR.

Notices issued under section 60(1)(c) of the Animal Products Act to safeguard the assurances provided by New Zealand, and guidance in the form of Operational Codes, should be read in conjunction with this Notice.

This OMAR specifies the requirements that must be met by exporters of horses to be exported from New Zealand to the People's Republic of China and determines the form and content of the official assurance that must accompany the horses to be exported. The OMAR was issued after consultation with industry and the People's Republic of China. It is based on the *Quarantine and Health Requirements for Horses Exported from New Zealand to the People's Republic of China* signed by New Zealand and China Officials on the 9th May 1996, with additional changes agreed by the General Administration of Customs China in April 2021.

Who should read this Animal Products Notice?

Exporter of horses to the People's Republic of China.

Why is this important?

This Notice is important because it sets out the requirements that need to be met so that the Director-General of the New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) can certify that the horses meet the requirements for export to the People's Republic of China which New Zealand, in consultation with the government of the People's Republic of China, has determined and will apply. It should be noted that although the horses may comply with these requirements and be given an official assurance (by way of a certificate), the People's Republic of China ultimately retains control over what horses it clears for entry.

Document History

Version Date	Section Changed	Change(s) Description
30 July 2004	All sections	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New OMAR format
27 August 2021	Clauses 1.1, 2.1, 3.1.3 and 4.5.3 of the zoosanitary certificate in Part 2.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• An amendment to the equine piroplasmosis certification. Serological testing using the cELISA on the farm of origin and during pre-export isolation, and premises freedom, is now required instead of country freedom.

Other information

Export non-conformances

Exporters should note that, under section 51 of the Animal Products Act 1999, where they have exported animal material or products, including live animals, hatching eggs, semen and embryos, that are refused entry by the foreign government they have a statutory duty to notify the Director-General of MPI not later than 24 hours after they have first knowledge of the event.

Liability

Section 61A of the 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.

Related documents

OMAR documents can be downloaded from <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/export/omars/omars-live-animals-semen-embryos-organics/>

When you click on the + symbol on the right-hand side of any OMAR document, you can view the related information and documents (guidance document and export certificate template).

The export certificate for this OMAR is provided for in *Horses to the People's Republic of China (Export Certificate)*. The export certificate is password-protected.

Part 1: Requirements

1.1 Application

- (1) This Notice applies to the export of live horses from New Zealand to the People's Republic of China.

1.2 Definitions

- (1) In this Notice, unless the context otherwise requires:

Act means the Animal Products Act 1999

- (2) A term used in this Notice that is defined in the Act or the following Notices (or their successors) has the meaning given to it in the Act or that Notice:

- a) Animal Products Notice: Official Assurances Specifications for Animal Material and Animal Products.
- b) Animal Products Notice: Specifications for Laboratories.

1.3 Requirements for export

- (1) Horses exported from New Zealand to the People's Republic of China must be accompanied by an official assurance in the form of a zoosanitary certificate, a sample version of which is included in Part 2.
- (2) A zoosanitary certificate must be completed and issued by an authorised person.
- (3) In order to issue a zoosanitary certificate, the authorised person must be satisfied that:
- a) A permit to import the horses has been issued by the competent authority of the People's Republic of China
 - b) The import permit must be sighted by the recognised person prior to any management or testing procedure associated with this OMAR being undertaken
 - c) At least one original and two copies of the zoosanitary certificate must be prepared for each consignment
 - d) The proposed shipment otherwise meets the requirements of this Notice.

1.4 Laboratories

- (1) Where this Notice requires laboratory testing to be undertaken the testing must be done in laboratories operating in accordance with the Recognised Laboratory Programme (RLP).

Part 2: Zoosanitary Certificate



Certificate No:

NEW ZEALAND MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATE

Species: HORSES

To: PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

Import permit number:

Exporting Country: NEW ZEALAND

Competent Authority: Ministry for Primary Industries

Region:

I: IDENTIFICATION OF HORSES FOR EXPORT

Identification		Breed	Sex	Age
Permanent	Temporary			

Total number of animals:

II: ORIGIN OF ANIMALS

Name and address of exporter:

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Name and address of premises of origin:

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Name and address of pre-export isolation facility:

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III: DESTINATION OF ANIMALS

Name and address of consignee:

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Means of transport:

IV: SANITARY INFORMATION**VETERINARY CERTIFICATE**

I,, an Official Veterinarian of the New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries, certify, after due enquiry with respect to the horses described in this zoosanitary certificate that:

1 COUNTRY HEALTH STATUS

- 1.1 New Zealand is free from the following diseases, and no cases have been recorded within the 12 month period immediately prior to the scheduled date of export of the horses:

African horse sickness	anthrax
contagious equine metritis	dourine
equine influenza	equine encephalomyelitis (VEE, EEE, WEE)
equine infectious anaemia	epizootic lymphangitis
equine salmonellosis (<i>Salmonella abortus equi</i>)	vesicular stomatitis
equine scabies	horse pox
glanders	meliodosis
rabies	

2 PREMISES OF ORIGIN

- 2.1 The horses for export were kept in an establishment where no cases of the following diseases have been reported during the corresponding calendar period prior to entry of the horses into pre-export isolation:

equine viral arteritis (2 years)
 equine piroplasmosis (2 years)
 strangles (3 months)
 equine herpesvirus type 1 (EHV-1) (3 months)

3 PREMISES OF ORIGIN TESTING AND TREATMENT

- 3.1 Prior to entry into pre-export isolation, the horses for export were clinically examined and found to be healthy and have been subjected to the following tests on the premises of origin with a negative result in each case:

3.1.1 a serum neutralisation test for equine viral arteritis (negative is less than 1:4);

Date of sample:

3.1.2 a nasal swab culture for *Streptococcus equi*.

Date of swab:

3.1.3 a competitive enzyme linked immunosorbent assay (cELISA) test for equine piroplasmosis

Date of sample:

- 3.2 Within 45 days of the scheduled date of export the horses for export have been vaccinated against equine rhinopneumonitis using a vaccine registered for use in horses in New Zealand containing inactivated equine herpesvirus type 1 antigen. A second dose of the vaccine must accompany the horses for export, and will be administered in post-arrival quarantine

Date of vaccination:

Vaccine:

Manufacturer:

Certificate No:

Method of inoculation and dose rate:

4 PRE-EXPORT ISOLATION

- 4.1 During at least the 30 days prior to export the horses for export were held in isolation from all other equines not of this export consignment.
- 4.2 During the 30 day period of pre-export isolation the pre-export isolation facility was under the supervision of a New Zealand government approved Official Veterinarian.
- 4.3 During the 30 day period of pre-export isolation the horses for export have been individually examined and there has been no evidence of infectious or contagious disease in the horses for export.
- 4.4 The concentrates, fodder and bedding, used during the pre-export isolation period, have come from an area not infected with OIE List A diseases and have been sourced from a property which meets the veterinary hygienic requirements of the property of origin of the horses for export detailed in Section 2 above.
- 4.5 During the 30 day period of pre-export isolation, and at least 21 days after the corresponding test on the premises of origin, the horses for export were subjected to the following tests with a negative result in each case:
- 4.5.1 a serum neutralisation test for equine viral arteritis (negative is less than 1:4);
Date of sample:.....
- 4.5.2 a nasal swab culture for *Streptococcus equi*.
Date of swab:.....
- 4.5.3 a competitive enzyme linked immunosorbent assay (cELISA) test for equine piroplasmosis
Date of sample:.....
- 4.6 During the 30 day pre-export isolation period, the horses for export have been treated against leptospirosis on two occasions at an interval of 14 days using dihydrostreptomycin at a dose rate of 25 mg/kg.
Date of treatment 1:.....
Date of treatment 2:.....
- 4.7 During the 30 day pre-export isolation period, the horses for export have been efficaciously treated against internal parasites using a product registered for this purpose for use on horses in New Zealand.
Internal parasiticide and dose rate:
Date of treatment:.....
- 4.8 During the 30 day pre-export isolation period, the horses for export have been efficaciously treated against external parasites using a product registered for this purpose for use on horses in New Zealand.
External parasiticide and dose rate:
Date of treatment:.....
- 4.9 Within 24 hours of the scheduled time of export the horses for export have been individually examined and found to be free from clinical evidence of infectious or contagious disease.

- 4.10 All testing of the horses for export prior to entry into pre-export isolation and during pre-export isolation has been performed at a New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries approved laboratory, and the laboratory results of testing are attached.

5 TRANSPORT TO THE AIRPORT OF DEPARTURE

- 5.1 The transport containers and vehicles used to transport the horses for export from the pre-export isolation facility to the airport of departure were either new or cleaned and disinfected using a disinfectant approved for the purpose by the Ministry for Primary Industries, New Zealand.
- 5.2 The designated route and method of transport from the pre-export isolation facility to the airport of departure ensures that the horses for export shall not have contact with or be transported in the same conveyance as animals not of this export consignment.
- 5.3 The designated route and method of transport from the pre-export isolation facility to the airport of departure ensures that the horses for export shall not pass an animal epizootic disease (OIE List A) area or be held on a property which does not meet the veterinary hygienic requirements of the property of origin of the horses for export.

6 PORT OF DEPARTURE

- 6.1 The horses for export were examined within 24 hours of being loaded for shipment and found to be free from contagious and infectious diseases and in a fit condition to travel.
- 6.2 All containers and loading places on the aircraft which are used for conveyance of the horse to be exported have been cleaned and fully disinfected with disinfectants approved by MPI.
- 6.3 Any concentrates, fodder and bedding, used during the pre-export isolation period, have come from an area not infected with OIE List A diseases and have been sourced from a property which meets the veterinary hygienic requirements of the property of origin of the horses for export.
- 6.4 When departing from New Zealand, no animals were travelling on the flight except equines certified for export from New Zealand to the People's Republic of China by a New Zealand government approved Official Veterinarian, unless the express permission of the Administration of Animal and Plant Quarantine of the People's Republic of China has been obtained in writing at the time of import permit application.
- 6.5 The scheduled route of transport of the horses for export from New Zealand to the People's Republic of China does not require transit of any animal epizootic disease (OIE List A) area.

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Signature Official Veterinarian
New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries

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Official stamp and date

Name and address:.....
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NOTE: All pages are to be endorsed with the Official Stamp