



**CTO Direction**

**CTO Direction code for recording in Quantum: CTO Plants: 20180002 Sea Containers**

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, hereby:

Issue this CTO Direction against the Import Health Standards for Sea Containers (Sea Container IHS) issued 22 July 2009; and in doing so confirm that these measures are different from those of the before mentioned standard:

1. Offshore treatment of flat racks, open sided or open top and soft top containers must take place no more than 120 hours before loading on the ship at the port of export in Italy. Fully sealed containers may be treated up to 21 days prior to shipping.
2. Consignments in sealed containers that originate in a non-BMSB country and are subsequently trans-shipped through either Italy or the USA are not required to be treated.
3. Break-bulk cargo (includes flat racks, open sided or open top and soft top containers) not of Italian origin or vehicles and machinery not of USA or Italian origin but are trans-shipped through Italy or the USA do not require treatment but must have remained on the port of export and any subsequent transit port for no more than 120 hours; and be segregated from all untreated high risk BMSB cargo at all times.
4. Break-bulk cargo (includes flat racks, open sided or open top and soft top containers) of Italian origin must be treated prior to shipment and must remain segregated from untreated high risk BMSB cargo at all times or be actioned appropriately (ranging from treatment on arrival through to discharge refusal).
5. All sealed containers from Italy must be treated within 72 hours of discharge; either at the port of discharge in NZ or can be moved to a Transitional Facility capable of fumigation.
6. MPI will consider alternative measures for sensitive cargo depending on the particular BMSB risk posed but each consignment will be risk assessed and may be treated with another method or inspected or both. Containers shipped at -4°C or less are exempt the BMSB conditions.
  - a) A lower rate of Methyl bromide e.g. 16g/m<sup>3</sup> for 12 hours at 15°C+ with an end point reading of 50% to achieve a minimum of 140g.hr concentration time product.
  - b) Seeds are to be treated at the rate for seeds in the Approved Biosecurity Treatment schedule.
  - c) Insecticide fogging such as Bifenthrin or Permethrin e.g. aircraft hold sprays such as Arundee MAC fogging spray or Callington 1-Shot into the container – not to be used for food
  - d) Enhanced visual inspection – consider using an agitating spray
  - e) All containers exported from Italy that commenced shipping before 23 December 2017 are subject to these requirements.
  - f) All other relevant sections of the Sea Container IHS must be complied with.

Date: 19/1/2018