



# Dogs and Cats to Mexico (OMAR)

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## **TITLE**

Animal Products Notice: Dogs and Cats to Mexico (OMAR)

## **COMMENCEMENT**

This Animal Products Notice comes into force on 21 December 2020

## **REVOCATION**

This Animal Products Notice revokes and replaces:

- PETANI.MX 16 March 2018 – DOGS AND CATS TO MEXICO

## **ISSUING AUTHORITY**

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

Dated at Wellington, 21 December 2020

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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 dogs and cats from New Zealand to Mexico.

## 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 importing country.

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 dogs and cats to be exported from New Zealand to Mexico and determines the form and content of the official assurance that must accompany the dogs and cats to be exported. The OMAR was issued after consultation with industry and the government of Mexico. It is based on the previous OMAR: *PETANI.MX 16 March 2018 – DOGS AND CATS TO MEXICO*

## Who should read this Animal Products Notice?

Exporters of dogs and cats to Mexico.

## 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 dogs and cats meet the requirements for export to Mexico which New Zealand, in consultation with the government of Mexico, has determined will apply. It should be noted that although the dogs and cats may comply with these requirements and be given an official assurance (by way of a certificate), the importing country ultimately retains control over what dogs and cats it clears for entry.

## Document History

Version Date	Section Changed	Change(s) Description
21 December 2020	All sections	New OMAR format New Official Assurance format

## 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/law-and-policy/requirements/omars-overseas-market-access-requirements/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 *Dogs and Cats to Mexico (Export Certificate)*. The export certificate is password-protected.

## Part 1: Requirements

### 1.1 Application

- (1) This Notice applies to the export of dogs and cats from New Zealand to Mexico.

### 1.2 Definitions

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

**Act** means the Animal Products Act 1999

**Internal parasites** means roundworms and tapeworms.

**External parasites** means fleas and ticks.

- (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.](#)

### 1.3 Requirements for export

- (1) Dogs and cats exported from New Zealand to Mexico 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) The animal has been vaccinated against rabies, and the vaccination is current at time of export.
  - b) The animal received treatment effective against internal and external parasites within six months prior to the scheduled date of export.
  - c) The proposed shipment otherwise meets the requirements of this Notice.

## Part 2: Zoosanitary Certificate

### NEW ZEALAND MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

Certificate Number NZL2020/SAMPLE/0000

#### SANITARY CERTIFICATE FOR DOGS AND CATS TO MEXICO

**Name and address of consignor:**

Nombre y dirección del dueño del animal

&lt;LICENCE&gt;

&lt;consignor-name&gt;

&lt;consignor-address&gt;

&lt;consignor-city&gt;

&lt;consignor-state&gt;

&lt;consignor-country&gt;

**Name and address of consignee:**

Nombre y dirección del destinatario

&lt;consignee-name&gt;

&lt;consignee-address&gt;

&lt;consignee-city&gt; &lt;consignee-postcode&gt;

&lt;consignee-country&gt;

**Exporting Country:** New Zealand

País exportador: Nueva Zelanda

**Competent Authority:** Ministry for Primary Industries

Autoridad competente:

**Animal Premises of Origin**

Sitio de origen de los animales:

&lt;owner-address&gt;

&lt;owner-city&gt;

&lt;owner-postcode&gt;

&lt;owner-country&gt;

**Means of Transport / Modo de transporte**

&lt;mode&gt;

Item / artículo	Species / Especie	Breed/ Colour / Raza/ Color	Sex / Sexo	Date of birth / fecha de nacimiento	Microchip No / Número de Microchip
1					
2					

**Name / Nombre:**

Item 1 &lt;name&gt;, Item 2 &lt;name&gt;.

The conditions, as stated below, apply to the live animals described herein at the time of export from New Zealand.

I, the undersigned Ministry for Primary Industries Official Veterinarian hereby certify that the animals listed above are unconditionally eligible for export to Mexico. / Las condiciones, como se indica a continuación, se aplican a los animales vivos descritos en este documento en el momento de la exportación desde Nueva Zelanda. Yo, el veterinario oficial abajo firmante del Ministerio de Industrias Primarias certifica que los animales enumerados anteriormente son incondicionalmente elegibles para la exportación a México.

1. New Zealand is officially free from rabies. / Nueva Zelanda está oficialmente libre de rabia

2. The animal(s) was vaccinated against rabies. / El/los animal(es) ha/han sido vacunado(s) contra la rabia

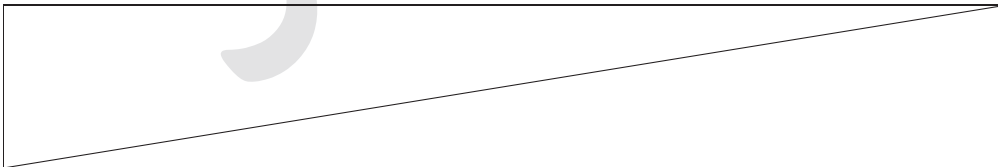
Vaccine manufacturer / Fabricante de la vacuna: <manufacturer name>

Date of vaccination / Fecha de vacunación: <dd/mm/yyyy>

Valid until / Válida hasta: <dd/mm/yyyy>

3. The animal(s) received treatment effective against internal and external parasites within six months prior to the scheduled date of departure. / El/los animal(es) han recibido tratamiento eficaz contra parásitos internos y externos en los seis meses previos a la fecha de partida.

4. The animal(s) has been examined and found to be free of clinical signs of disease, fit to travel and free from ectoparasites. / El/los animal(es) han sido(s) examinados y diagnosticados libres de cualquier síntoma clínico de enfermedad, aptos para viajar y libres de ectoparásitos.



Done at

Seal

Signature of official veterinarian, New Zealand Government /

Firma del Veterinario Oficial del Ministerio para Industrias

Primarias de Nueva Zelanda

On

Name, title and qualifications

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