Export Requirements Notification - Animal Products Act 1999

Standards Branch, Animal and Animal Products Directorate, Ministry for Primary Industries

Ref: AE-PA-09L Date: 5 June 2013

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1. Statutory authority

Pursuant to section 60, section 60A, section 62(1) and section 167 of the Animal Products Act 1999 I notify the following:

- (i) the issue under section 60 of the export requirements for Dogs and Cats to Panama DOMANIEC.PA dated 5 June 2013;
- (ii) the determination under section 62(1) of the format and content of the official assurance for Dogs and Cats to Panama.

This notice takes effect from the 7^{th} of June 2013.

Dated at Wellington this 5th day of June 2013.

Signed: Howard Pharo BVSc, MScTAD, MPP, MANZCVSc Manager Import and Export Animals Animal and Animal Products Directorate Standards Branch (acting under delegated authority)

2. Panama requirements

Dogs and Cats exported from New Zealand to Panama must be accompanied by an official assurance in the form of a completed zoosanitary certificate.

The zoosanitary certificate as specified below must be completed and certified, after due enquiry, by an Official Veterinarian of the Ministry for Primary Industries.

Explanatory note:

If the zoosanitary certificate is not certified then the dogs and cats do not satisfy the conditions in the notice. Likewise, if the dogs and cats do not satisfy the zoosanitary requirements in the certificate, then the certificate will not be certified.

То:		PANAMA				
Exporting Country:		NEW ZEALAND				
Competent Authority:		MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES				
I: IDENTIFICATION OF THE ANIMALS						
Species	Breed		Age/Date of Birth	Colour	Sex	Identification
Total number of animals:						
II: SOURCE OF THE ANIMALS						
Name of exporter:						
Address of exporter:						
III: DESTINATION OF THE ANIMALS						
Name of consignee:						
Address of consignee:						

ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATE

Commodity:

DOGS AND CATS

IV: SANITARY INFORMATION **VETERINARY CERTIFICATE** I, _______, being an Official Veterinarian authorised by the New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries, certify, after due enquiry in regard to the animals identified in the Zoosanitary Certificate, that: 1. At the time of export the cat/dog(s) was fully vaccinated against Rabies according to the manufacturer's recommendations. Vaccination given: Date of vaccination: 2. The cat/dog(s) was examined within 10 days of export and found to be healthy, free from signs of infectious or contagious disease, free from ectoparasites and fit to travel. Signature of Official Veterinarian Official stamp New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries and date

NOTE: The Official Veterinarian must sign, date and stamp each page of the veterinary certificate, and, where applicable, all documents (e.g. laboratory reports) that form part of the extended health certification.

Name and address

EXPORT CERTIFICATION

(This is not part of the official certification)

COMMODITY: DOGS AND CATS

COUNTRY: PANAMA

NOTES: This is a new export certificate. This export certificate is based on import

requirements received from the Republic of Panama Health Ministry Department of Zoonosis Control. The export certificate was approved by Dr.

I. Mitre on the 29th of May 2013.

1. After this certificate has been completed by the MPI Official Veterinarian and before the animal is exported it must be either endorsed by the Panamanian Consulate or have an Apostille Certificate provided by the New Zealand Ministry of Internal Affairs. Please contact either of the offices below to organise this being done.

Panamanian Consulate in Auckland, New Zealand Level 7, Suite 2, 300 Queen Street P.O. Box 6239, Wellesley Street Auckland 1141 New Zealand (+64) 9 379 8550 gthwaite@iprolink.co.nz

The Department of Internal Affairs

http://www.dia.govt.nz/Services-Apostille-Certification-Index?OpenDocument

- 2. Notification must be made at least 3 days before the animal's arrival, filling in the form "Home Quarantine Request" that can be downloaded from the website: www.minsa.gob.pa. The form should be completed and sent back to cam@minsa.gob.pa, faxed to (507) 2383855 or (507) 2384059 or alternatively handed in person to the office of the Health Ministry, in the Public Services Building of Tocumen International Airport.
- 3. On arrival in Panama the animal's documentation (including export certificate and vaccination certificate) must be produced and given to the Veterinarian at the Health Ministry at the Tocumen International Airport, who will verify the documents.
- 4. If the animal meets the requirements the animal(s) will be released to the owner. If the animal(s) **does not** meet the requirements the animal will not be allowed entry and the animals will be re-shipped.
- 5. Animals should arrive into Panama during the hours of 8.00am -11.00pm Monday to Friday. Animals arriving outside these hours or on public holiday will be kept in the kennel area of the airport.
- 6. On release to the owner the animal(s) must complete Home Quarantine for 40 days. There is a cost associated with this service.
- 7. More information regarding the import of cats and dogs into Panama and for the requirements of Home Quarantine can be obtained by visiting www.minsa.gob.pa, or by emailing: cam@minsa.gob.pa

Section 61.A 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'.