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Cats & Dogs: Rabies Titre Test Conducted in a Non-Approved Country

CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of cats and dogs that have had rabies titre tests performed in a non-approved country

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Marnie Thomas, Manager Animal Imports, 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 [Import Health Standard Cats and Dogs: CATDOG.GEN].

Equivalence is granted for Clause 19 of the IHS: to allow the rabies titre test to be performed in a non-approved country if the laboratory is an OIE reference laboratory (for rabies) and/or the laboratory is approved by the European Commission as an EU or Third Country laboratory authorised for rabies testing.

The reason for directing clearance is that the biosecurity risks associated with rabies have been assessed and are managed effectively by this CTO direction.

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