

# Dogs and Cats to Thailand (OMAR)

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## TITLE

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

## COMMENCEMENT

This Animal Products Notice comes into force on 3 July 2020

## REVOCATION

This Animal Products Notice revokes and replaces:

• DOMANIEC.TH 16 April 2013 - DOGS AND CATS TO THAILAND.

## **ISSUING AUTHORITY**

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

Dated at Wellington, 17 July 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 Thailand.

## 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 Thailand 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 Thailand Division of Veterinary Inspection and Quarantine. It is based on the previous OMAR *DOMANIEC.TH 16 April 2013 – DOGS AND CATS TO THAILAND*.

## Who should read this Animal Products Notice?

Exporters of dogs and cats to Thailand.

## 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 Thailand which New Zealand, in consultation with the government of Thailand, 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 which dogs and cats it clears for entry.

### **Document History**

Version Date	Section Changed	Change(s) Description		
03 July 2020	All sections	New Official Assurance format New OMAR 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 <u>https://www.mpi.govt.nz/law-and-policy/requirements/omars-overseas-market-access-requirements/omars-live-animals-semen-embryos-organics/</u>

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 Thailand (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 Thailand.

## 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) <u>Animal Products Notice: Official Assurances Specifications for Animal Material and Animal</u> <u>Products.</u>
  - b) Animal Products Notice: Specifications for Laboratories

## **1.3 Requirements for export**

- (1) Dogs and cats exported from New Zealand to Thailand 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 dogs and cats has been issued by the competent authority of Thailand.
  - b) The proposed shipment otherwise meets the requirements of this Notice

## 1.4 Specific requirements for the zoosanitary certificate

Table 1.4A

Clause in zoosanitary certificate	Type of testing	Condition on test
4.2.1	Leptospirosis	Must use a microscopic agglutination test (MAT) test.

## 1.5 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) unless otherwise stated.

## Part 2: Zoosanitary Certificate

#### NEW ZEALAND MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

Certificate Number NZL2020/SAMPLE/0000

SANITARY CERTIFICATE FOR DOGS AND CATS TO THAILAND							
Name and address of consignor:				Exporting Country: New Zealand			
<licence></licence>							
<consignor-name></consignor-name>			С	Competent Authority: Ministry for Primary Industries			
<consignor-address></consignor-address>							
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<consignee-postcode></consignee-postcode>				Means of Transport: <mode></mode>			
<consignee-country></consignee-country>				mode/			
Item S	pecies	Breed / Colour		Sex	Date of birth	Microchip No	
1							
2							

Name: Item 1 <name>, Item 2 <name>.

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 Thailand

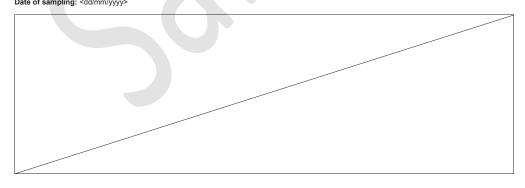
Import Permit number:

<import permit number>

New Zealand has been free from rabies for the past 12 months.
 The animals were born, or have been resident in New Zealand during the six months immediately prior to the date of export.
 The animals were examined at the time of export and found to be healthy, free from any signs of infectious or contagious disease including ectoparasites, and fit to travel.

4. In the case of dogs only:
4.1 The dog(s) for export were vaccinated against canine distemper, canine hepatitis and canine parvovirus at least twenty-one (21) days prior to export.
Date of vaccinations: <d/mm/yyyy>
4.2 The dog(s) was vaccinated against leptospirosis at least 21 days prior to export.
Date of vaccination: <d/mm/yyyy</li>
OR
Call the dog(s) was explicited to a test for leptospirosis with a parative result during the 20 days prior to departure.

A.2.1 The dog(s) was subjected to a test for leptospirosis with a negative result during the 30 days prior to departure Date of sampling: <dd/mm/yyyy>



Done at

Seal

Signature of official veterinarian, New Zealand Government

On

Name, title and qualifications

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