

Dogs and Cats to Argentina (OMAR)

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TITLE

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

COMMENCEMENT

This Animal Products Notice comes into force on 3 August 2020

REVOCATION

This Animal Products Notice revokes and replaces:

• DOMANIEC.AR - PET DOGS AND CATS TO THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC, dated 17 June 2014.

ISSUING AUTHORITY

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

Dated at Wellington, 29 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 Argentina.

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 Argentina 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 Argentina National Service of Agri-Food Health and Quality (SENASA). It is based on *Resolución GMC Mercosur 17/2015.*

Who should read this Animal Products Notice?

Exporters of dogs and cats to Argentina.

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 Argentina which New Zealand, in consultation with the government of Argentina, 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		
03 August 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 <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 Argentina (Export Certificate)*. The export certificate is password-protected.

Part 1: Requirements

1.1 Application

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

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>

1.3 Requirements for export

- (1) Dogs and cats exported from New Zealand to Argentina 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(s) for export fully comply with the Animal Products Notice: Export Requirements for Live Animals Microchipping: <u>Animal Products Notice Export Requirements for Live Animals</u> <u>Microchipping</u>
 - b) The proposed shipment otherwise meets the requirements of this Notice.

1.4 Specific requirements for the zoosanitary certificate

- (1) The nature of the export is "permanent" for the purpose of the New Zealand export certificate. The option for temporary export is included as per the MERCOSUR model certificate.
- (2) A transit country / transit countries must be noted on the export certificate if applicable.
- (3) New Zealand as a country officially free from rabies is exempt from compulsory rabies vaccination. If a rabies vaccination is given to mitigate risk after importation to a country where rabies occurs, the animal must not be exported within twenty one (21) days of a primary vaccination. Validity of the vaccination is in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.
- (4) Information on current vaccinations against disease not considered mandatory in the resolution must be contained in the veterinary certificate.
- (5) A vaccination card or clinical notes for all vaccines administered in the past three (3) years or since birth, must be provided to the Official Veterinarian (MPI).
- (6) With regards to Clause 5, information on veterinary treatments applied in the last three (3) months must be contained in the veterinary certificate. Treatment information should be repeated as necessary to record dates for all treatments given.
- (7) Where veterinary treatments were applied in the last three (3) months prior to the certificate being issued, clinical records from a registered veterinarian and clinic details must be provided to the Official Veterinarian (MPI). The Official Veterinarian (MPI) may require a declaration from the owner to confirm

that no treatments were given in the last three (3) months prior to the certificate being issued, if applicable.

(8) The animal must have a clinical examination by a registered veterinarian within ten (10) days prior to the official export certificate being issued.

Part 2: Zoosanitary Certificate

NEW ZEALAND MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

Certificate Number NZL2020/SAMPLE/0000 SANITARY CERTIFICATE FOR DOGS AND CATS TO ARGENTINA

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3. The animal has been subjected, within the fifteen (15) days prior to the export certificate being issued, to a broad spectrum treatment against internal and external parasites with veterinary products approved in New Zealand / El animal ha sido sometido dentro de los quince (15) dias previos a la emisión del presente certificado, a un tratamiento de amplio espectro contra parásitos internos y externos con productos veterinarios aprobados en Nueva Zelanda:
Date of treatment for internal parasites / Fecha de administración del antiparasitario interno: <dd/mm/yyyy>
Manufacturer and commercial name / Laboratorio/Nombre comercial: <name>
Active ingredient / Principio activo del producto: <name>
Date of treatment for external parasites / Fecha de administración del antiparasitario externo: <dd/mm/yyyy>
Manufacturer and commercial name / Laboratorio/Nombre comercial: <name>
Active ingredient / Principio activo del producto: <name>
Active ingredient / Nombre Comercial de la vacunaciones (cuando corresponda):
Trade name of vaccine / Nombre Comercial de la vacuna: <name>
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5. Additional health information / Informaciones sanitarias adicionales: The animal has been subjected to the following treatments within the three (3) months prior to the export certificate being issued (where applicable) / El animal ha sido sometido a los siguentes tratamientos dentro de los tres (3) meses previos a la emission del presente certificado (Cuando corresponda). Presumptive diagnosis / Diagnóstico presuntivo: <disease name> Treatment date (day/month/year) / Fecha de administración del producto (día/mes/año): <dd/mm/yyyy> Manufacturer / Laboratorio de fabricacion: <name>

Active ingredient / Principio activo del producto: <name>

6. I declare that the animal was examined within ten (10) days prior to the scheduled date of export and presented no clinical signs of infectious or parasitic diseases and is fit for transport. / Declaro que el animal fue examinado dentro de los diez (10) dias antes de la fecha programada de exportación, no presentando signos clinicos de enfermedades infecciosas ni parasitarias y es apto para el transporte. <ddlmmlyyyy>

