



Ref: CTO 2016 049 [G]

Fibre: Waste Disposal

CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of animal fibre waste material.

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Vicki Melville, Manager Animal Imports, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for animal fibre waste material to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the applicable import health standard *Animal Fibre* [ANIFIBRE.ALL dated 25 September 2016]:

Schedule 3, clause 4 of the IHS states:

The facility operator must ensure that any packaging in contact with animal fibre, and all semi-solid / solid waste associated with animal fibre is treated, destroyed or disposed of in an approved transitional facility by:

- a) Incineration; or
- b) Autoclaving (at least 120°C for at least 30 minutes); or
- c) Deep burial.

The nature of the non-compliance with the requirements in the applicable IHS is that the animal fibre waste material will not be treated or disposed of in the manner described above. Rather, the animal fibre waste material must be hot water dyed at 85-100°C for at least one hour. These hot water dyeing conditions are described in the IHS (clause 2.4 scoured and dyed (and carded) animal fibre from specified ruminants). MPI considers hot water dyeing to effectively mitigate the risks associated with animal fibre, including waste material such as packaging and fibre waste (e.g. plant/seed material).

The goods given clearance by this CTO direction are waste material associated with animal fibre as described in Schedule 3, clause 4 of the IHS that have been hot water dyed at 85-100°C for at least one hour.

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

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

Signed at Wellington this 2 day of September 2016



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