



Ref: CTO 2018 019 [G]

Invertebrates: Sea Urchin and Starfish from Antarctica

CTO direction as to equivalent measures in relation to *Sterechinus neumayeri* (sea urchin) and *Odontaster validus* (starfish) from Antarctica for the University of Otago only.

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Lucy Johnston, Manager Animal Imports, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for *Sterechinus neumayeri* (sea urchin) and *Odontaster validus* (starfish) from Antarctica in relation to the *Import Health Standard for the Importation of New Organism Invertebrates into Containment into New Zealand* (INVCONIC.ALL):

Clause 11.1 of INVCONIC.ALL states:

- 1.1 *Following a biosecurity authorisation, the container must proceed to the approved containment facility which must be operated according to the MAF Standard 154.02.08. Transitional and containment facility for invertebrates.*

Following a biosecurity authorisation, the container(s) containing *S. neumayeri* and *O. validus* must proceed to the approved containment facility which must be operated according to the MPI Standard 154.03.03 (Containment Facilities for Vertebrate Laboratory Animals) at Physical Containment Level 2 (PC2).

It is not intended that these be released from the containment facility.

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

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