

# **Overseas Market Access Requirements Notification - Animal Products Act 1999**

## **Regulation & Assurance Branch, Animal Health & Welfare Directorate, Ministry for Primary Industries**

Ref: AE-VU-09

Date: 19 November 2018

### **PETANI.VU 21 NOVEMBER 2018 – DOGS AND CATS TO VANUATU**

#### **1. Statutory authority**

Pursuant to section 60, section 60A, section 62(1) and section 167 of the Animal Products Act 1999 I notify the following:

- (i) the issue under section 167 of the overseas market access requirements for dogs and cats to Vanuatu PETANI.VU, dated 21 November 2018;
- (ii) the revocation and replacement of Dogs and cats to Vanuatu PETANI.VU, dated 12 October 2018;
- (iii) the determination under section 62(1) of the format and content of the official assurance for dogs and cats to Vanuatu.

This notice takes effect from 21 November 2018.

Dated at Wellington this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November 2018.

Signed: Lucy Johnston  
Manager Import and Export Animals (acting)  
Animal Health & Welfare Directorate  
Regulation & Assurance Branch  
(acting under delegated authority)

#### **2. Vanuatu requirements**

Dogs and cats exported from New Zealand to Vanuatu must be accompanied by an Official Assurance in the form of a completed zoosanitary certificate.

The zoosanitary certificate as specified below must be completed and certified, after due enquiry, by an Official Veterinarian of the Ministry for Primary Industries.

Explanatory Note: If the zoosanitary certificate is not certified then the dogs and cats do not satisfy the conditions in the notice. Likewise, if the dogs and cats do not satisfy the zoosanitary requirements in the certificate, then the certificate will not be certified.



Certificate No: .....

**NEW ZEALAND MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES**

**ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATE**

Commodity: DOGS AND CATS

To: VANUATU

Exporting Country: NEW ZEALAND

Competent Authority: MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

Import Permit Number: . .....

**I: IDENTIFICATION OF THE ANIMAL**

Name	Microchip number	Species (scientific name)	Breed	Description (including colour)	Sex	Age

**II: SOURCE OF THE ANIMAL**

Name and address of exporter: .....

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Name and New Zealand address of owner: .....

**III: DESTINATION OF THE ANIMAL**

Name and address of consignee: .....

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Means and identification of transport: .....

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**IV: SANITARY INFORMATION****VETERINARY CERTIFICATE**

I, ....., being an Official Veterinarian of the New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries, certify, after due enquiry in regards to the animal identified in this Zoosanitary Certificate, that:

**1. DISEASE FREEDOM**

- 1.1 New Zealand is officially free from rabies and no case of rabies has been diagnosed in New Zealand in the five (5) years prior to the export of the animal described in this Zoosanitary Certificate.

**2. RESIDENCY STATUS**

- 2.1 The animal has resided in New Zealand or Australia for at least six (6) months immediately prior to export, or since birth; OR
- 2.2 The animal has resided for at least six (6) months immediately before export, or since birth, in a country other than New Zealand or Australia and completed post-arrival quarantine in New Zealand or Australia on ...../...../.....

**3. HEALTH STATUS AND TREATMENT OF ANIMAL**

- 3.1 The animal for export is at least sixteen (16) weeks of age.
- 3.2 The animal is not more than six (6) weeks pregnant.
- 3.3 The animal was examined within three (3) days of the scheduled date of export and was visibly free from external parasites and clinical signs of infectious or contagious disease and was considered to be fit to travel.
- 3.4 [The animal was effectively treated twice for endoparasites (including nematodes and cestodes) with a New Zealand or Australian registered veterinary drug. The first treatment was given within thirty (30) days of scheduled date of departure, and at least two (2) weeks before a second treatment, which was given within three (3) days of departure.

**First Treatment:**

Active ingredient(s) and dose: .....

Date of treatment: .....

**Second Treatment:**

Active ingredient(s) and dose: .....

Date of treatment: .....\*]

*\*delete as appropriate*

OR

- 3.5 [The animal completed post-arrival quarantine in New Zealand or Australia on ...../...../....., within five days of the scheduled date of departure. Within three days of the scheduled date of departure, the animal was effectively treated for endoparasites (nematodes and cestodes) with:

Active ingredient(s) and dose.....

Date(s) of treatment :.....\*]

*\*delete as appropriate*

- 3.6 [The animal was effectively treated twice for ectoparasites (including ticks, lice, and fleas) with a New Zealand or Australian registered veterinary drug within thirty (30) days of export, twice at least fourteen (14) days apart, the second treatment within three (3) days of departure.

**First Treatment:**

Active ingredient(s) and dose: .....

Date of treatment: .....

**Second Treatment:**

Active ingredient(s) and dose: .....

Date of treatment: .....\*]

*\*delete as appropriate*

OR

- 3.7 [The animal completed post-arrival quarantine in New Zealand or Australia on ....../...../..... within five days of the scheduled date of departure. Within three days of the scheduled date of departure the animal was effectively treated for ectoparasites (including ticks, lice and fleas) with a New Zealand or Australian registered veterinary drug

Active ingredient(s) and dose: .....

Date of treatment: .....\*]

*\*delete as appropriate*

**4. IN THE CASE OF A DOG:**

- 4.1 Is fully vaccinated against distemper, hepatitis, canine parvovirus and parainfluenza infection according to the manufacturer's instructions.

4.1.1 the vaccination was given at least fourteen (14) days prior to export, and not more than twelve (12) months prior to export

4.1.2 in the case of a primary course the final vaccination was given at twelve (12) weeks of age or older

Date of most recent vaccination(s): .....

**5. IN THE CASE OF A CAT:**

- 5.1 Is fully vaccinated against feline enteritis (panleukopenia), feline calicivirus and feline herpesvirus 1 according to the manufacturer's instructions:

5.1.1 the vaccination was given at least fourteen (14) days prior to export, and not more than twelve (12) months prior to export.

5.1.2 in the case of a primary course the final vaccination was given at twelve (12) weeks of age or older

Date of most recent vaccination(s): .....

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Signature of Official Veterinarian  
New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries

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Official Stamp and Date

.....  
Name and Address

**Note: The Official Veterinarian must sign, date and stamp each page of the veterinary certificate using a different colour ink to the paper and the print, and, where applicable, sign, date and stamp each page of the documents (e.g. laboratory reports) that form part of the extended health certification.**

## **EXPORT CERTIFICATION**

**(This is not part of the official certification)**

**COMMODITY:** DOGS AND CATS

**COUNTRY:** VANUATU

**NOTES:** This is certificate replaces that dated 10<sup>th</sup> October 2018. It was updated to incorporate suitable treatments and timings for parasite prevention.

1. A Provisional Import Permit must be obtained from the:  
  
Principal Veterinary Officer  
Biosecurity Vanuatu  
Private Mail Bag 9086  
Port-Vila  
Vanuatu  
  
Phone: 00678-23-519  
Email: [benquiry@vanuatu.gov.vu](mailto:benquiry@vanuatu.gov.vu)
2. Any animal(s) imported into Vanuatu in contravention of any conditions of the Provisional Import Permit will be seized and may be destroyed or re-exported at the owner's expense.
3. The Provisional Import Permit is valid only for the importation specified. Any change in details or circumstances must be notified immediately to the Principal Veterinary Officer, who may endorse the Provisional Import Permit accordingly.
4. The Provisional Import Permit may be cancelled at any time before shipment should the animal health and quarantine status of the exporting country change.
5. A separate zoosanitary certificate must accompany each individual animal being exported.
6. The previous vaccination history must be attached to the zoosanitary certificate.
7. The actual date of embarkation and the Airline/Flight number must be advised to the Principal Veterinary Officer at the above address, at the earliest opportunity and at least one (1) working day before embarkation.
8. Before unloading animals on arrival, the Provisional Import Permit and the documents required will be inspected by a Veterinary Officer of Biosecurity Vanuatu .
9. The animals will be inspected and treated as necessary on arrival in Vanuatu by a Veterinary Officer and they may not leave the quarantine area of the airport until a Permit to Land (or Quarantine Order) has been issued.
10. The animal(s) must be transported in accordance with the Recommendations for Transport of Live Animals of the Office International des Epizooties (OIE) and the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Live Animal Regulations as appropriate.
11. The animal(s) must be transported directly without contact with any animal not of equivalent certified health status, from the port of departure in the exporting country to the port of entry into Vanuatu. Transshipment or off-loading is permissible only in Australia, New Zealand or New Caledonia. In such circumstances the animal(s) must remain in their cages and within the confines of the airport.
12. The animal(s) must be consigned to Vanuatu by air as manifested cargo.

13. Animals in advanced pregnancy, animal(s) suckling young or weaned animal(s) younger than sixteen (16) weeks of age are ineligible for importation.
14. Please note the following breeds (pure or cross) of dogs are NOT PERMITTED to be imported into Vanuatu as declared on owner/exporter declaration:

Pit bull terrier or American pit bull, Japanese Tosa, Fila Brasileiro, Dogo Argentino or Presa Canario.

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**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'.**