

Export Requirements Notification - Animal Products Act 1999

Standards Branch, Animal and Animal Products Directorate, Ministry for Primary Industries

Ref: AE-US-19L

Date: 11 March 2014

BIRAVIEC2.US 17 MARCH 2014 – COMMERCIAL BIRDS TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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 60 of the export requirements for commercial birds to the United States of America BIRAVIEC2.US dated 17 March 2014;

(ii) the determination under section 62(1) of the format and content of the official assurance for commercial birds to the United States of America.

This notice takes effect from the 17th March 2014.

Dated at Wellington this 13th of March 2014.

Signed: Howard Pharo
Manager Import and Export Animals
Animal and Animal Products Directorate
Standards Branch
(acting under delegated authority)

2. United States of America requirements

Commercial birds exported from New Zealand to the United States of America 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 commercial birds do not satisfy the conditions in the notice. Likewise, if the commercial birds 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: **COMMERCIAL BIRDS**
To: **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**
Exporting Country: **NEW ZEALAND**
Competent Authority: **MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES**
Import Permit Number:

I: IDENTIFICATION OF THE BIRD(S)

Species/Breed	Sex	Age	Description/Identification

Total number of birds:

II: ORIGIN OF THE BIRD(S)

Name and address of exporter/consignor:
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Name and address of the establishment of origin:
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III: DESTINATION OF BIRD(S)

Name and address of consignee:
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Means and identification of transport:

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 birds identified in this Zoosanitary Certificate that:

1. There has been no evidence of Newcastle disease, chlamydiosis, or other communicable disease of avians (poultry and birds) during the ninety (90) days immediately preceding their export from the premises of origin.
2. The premises where the birds were exported from were not adjacent to any areas under quarantine during the ninety (90) days preceding the exportation.
3. The birds have not been vaccinated against Newcastle disease.
4. The birds have not been vaccinated against any H5 or H7 subtype of avian influenza.
5. The shipment will not transit through any regions where APHIS considers highly pathogenic avian influenza to exist.
6. All birds covered by the certificate were examined on the day of export and were found to be clinically healthy and showed no evidence of avian communicable diseases.
7. The birds are being exported in accordance with IATA regulations and in accordance with New Zealand law.
8. The commercial birds were placed into previously unused containers at the premises of origin from which the export process began.

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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
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NB: 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: COMMERCIAL BIRDS

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

NOTES This is a new export certificate based on the “protocol for the importation of commercial birds or poultry” of May 2013. This certificate was approved by the USDA on 25 February 2014.

1. The USDA defines commercial birds as those birds which are imported for resale, breeding, or public display. Ratites may not be imported under this protocol. Ratites are defined as: cassowaries, emus, kiwis, ostriches and rheas.
2. USDA makes a distinction between birds and poultry. Avian species defined as poultry include: chickens, doves, ducks, pigeons, geese, grouse, guinea fowl, partridges, pea fowl, pheasants, quail, swans, turkeys and eggs for hatching. These are not considered to be commercial birds.
3. An Import Permit is required.
http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import_export/animals/downloads/import_pro_com_birds_poultry.pdf
4. All commercial birds imported into the United States (except from Canada) are required to be quarantined for a minimum of 30 days, or longer if required by the Administrator.
5. Commercial bird quarantines must take place at one of the USDA facilities listed in the table below, or may occur in a privately owned quarantine facility that has been approved by APHIS.

New York Animal Import Centre USDA, APHIS, VS 200 Drury Lane Rock Tavern, NY 12575 Telephone: (718) 553-3570 Fax (718) 553-3572	Miami Animal Import Centre USDA, APHIS, VS 6300 NW 36 Street Miami, FL 33122 Telephone (305) 876-2200 Fax (305) 876-2201	Los Angeles, California USDA, APHIS, VS 222 Kansas Street El Segundo, CA 90250 Telephone (310) 955 3311 Fax (310) 725-9119
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Information on user fees, airport inspection procedures, etc. can be addressed by the port veterinarians and staff.

Current fees can be found at the following link:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/wps/portal/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth?Idmy&urile=wcm%3apath%3a%2Faphis_content_library%2Fsa_our_focus%2Fsa_business_services%2Fsa_mrpbs_divisions%2Fsa_fmd%2Fsa_user_fees%2Fct_vs_import_export_fees

6. The importer must contact a USDA port veterinarian or a USDA Animal Import Centre no later than 3 business days in advance of arrival of the bird(s) to coordinate the import process.
7. In the United States, the U.S Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) regulates the importation of birds protected by the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) and the Wild Bird Conservation Act of 1992 (WBCA). These regulations are part of an international conservation effort to protect exotic wild birds subject to trade. Most exotic pet birds (including psittacines such as parrots, parakeets, macaws, lorries, and cockatoos), and some poultry species, are affected by CITES and the WBCA. However, the budgerigar, cockatiel and rosy-faced lovebirds are exempt.

Please visit the FWS web site at <http://www.fws.gov/permits/> or contact them at 800-358-2104 (overseas calls should be placed to (703) 358-2104), to obtain more information and the FWS permit application.

8. If you need additional information about importing pet birds into the USA, please contact the:
U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS)
Veterinary Services (VS)
National Center for Import and Export (NCIE), Unit 39
4700 River Road
Riverdale, MD 20737

Telephone (301) 851-3300 Option 2
Fax (301)734-4704
9. In reference to clause 1 in the export certificate the disease freedom statement refers to the premises of origin of the bird(s).
10. In reference to clause 2 in the export certificate, 'areas under quarantine' refer to areas under movement restrictions due to avian disease outbreaks.
11. In reference to clause 5 in the export certificate, the list of countries should be checked against the list contained on the APHIS website at:
http://www.aphis.usda.gov/wps/portal/aphis/ourfocus/importexport?1dmy&urile=wcm%3apath%3a%2Faphis_content_library%2Fsa_our_focus%2Fsa_animal_health%2Fsa_import_into_us%2Fsa_entry_requirements%2Fct_hp_avian_influenza
12. A current veterinary health certificate, issued within thirty (30) days of importation, must accompany each shipment of commercial birds. The certificate which accompanies the bird must be the original.

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.'